Fraser Academy, a leader in education for students with dyslexia and language-based learning differences, is pleased to announce their new outreach center, FAx. The new outreach center, FAx, extends access to Fraser Academy’s educational expertise, offering services for educators, families, and learners of all ages. FAx provides remedial programs for individuals with language-based learning differences, professional development opportunities for teachers, and educational consulting for families.

Visit https://fraseracademyx.ca/ for more information.

FNESC offers a wide variety of resources and professional development opportunities to support First Nations students and the infusion of Indigenous knowledge and perspectives into the classroom. Highlights of their offerings include:

- Regional Sessions offering the chance to engage in dialogue on First Nations education priorities, initiative and concerns held in seven locations across the province Oct. – Dec. 2019.


- Classroom resources and curriculum guides, including Science First Peoples, grades 5-9; Math First Peoples Resource Guide grades 8 – 9; Indian Residential Schools and Reconciliation Teacher Resource Guides, grades 5 and grades 10-12.

http://www.fnesc.ca/
Are you like 70% of Canadian teachers who feel they need more knowledge about mental health and mental illness? Then the free online Mental Health Literacy for the Classroom course is designed with you in mind. Developed by education and mental health professionals, this seven module (8 to 10 hours) self-guided course will give you a foundation of mental health literacy, including effective strategies to use in your educational settings and in your own life. Registration is ongoing.

Teachers of grades 7-12 may also be interested in the Bringing Mental Health to Schools: A Curriculum Resource for Grades 7-12 from the same developers of Mental Health Literacy for the Classroom. To support implementation of the curriculum guide, educators can enroll in a self-paced online training course at a minimal cost of $20. Registration is ongoing.

https://pdce.educ.ubc.ca/mentalhealth/

Independent schools are encouraged to partner together with at least one other school and their regional health authority to create an initiative to support mental health and well-being, and Indigenous ways of wellness. To support these efforts Health Schools BC is offering 15 regional grants of up to $5000 each. Deadline Oct. 15, 2019.

https://healthyschoolsbc.ca/healthy-schools-bc-resources/grants/

What will the world look like in 150 years? How will today’s events shape the future? Students in grades 7 to 12 are invited to give CBC a glimpse of the great Canadian novel in the year 2169. Winners will receive a one-year subscription to OwlCrate and 50 Young Adult books for their school library. Entry period Nov. 4-25, 2019

The 17th Annual Field Trip Fair for Teachers will take place on Sept. 17, 2019 from 3:30-6:30 pm (arrive when you can) at the Orpheum Theatre, Vancouver. Attendees will be able to preview programs and win one of 50+ free field trips and other door prizes. Registration is required for this free event. [https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/bc-field-trip-fair-for-teachers-2019-registration-62789604397](https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/bc-field-trip-fair-for-teachers-2019-registration-62789604397)

Visit [https://www.bcfieldtrips.ca/](https://www.bcfieldtrips.ca/) for an up-to-date listing of over 500 field trip opportunities across BC.

IBC Green Games by Science World begins on Oct. 1st, 2019. This digital eco-storytelling contest links closely with BC’s new curriculum and promotes place-based environmental learning. Teachers and students in K-12 can engage with unique learning opportunities in inquiry-based explorations, environmental action, youth leadership, and storytelling. Teams document and share their green stories, win prizes, and celebrate their achievements with other schools across the province.

Early-bird registration deadline: Nov. 30, 2019

[https://www.bcgreengames.ca/](https://www.bcgreengames.ca/)

Character Abbotsford invites independent school educators to attend their third annual conference on Oct. 25, 2019, Abbotsford Arts Center. This year’s event focuses on leading with character and empowering community. In addition to two dynamic keynote speakers there will be 15 breakout sessions to choose from. Come learn from organizations that have a proven ability to build strong communities.

Early bird price $125 until Sept. 30, 2019.

[https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/character-abbotsford-conference-tickets-6482295544](https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/character-abbotsford-conference-tickets-6482295544)
CALLING ALL NEURONS: DESIGNING FOR DEEP LEARNING WITH COMPETENCIES IN MIND

The creators of SmartLearning will be conducting an interactive online 8-week Pro-D event to support educators in making the shift to competency-based instruction and assessment in grades 4-12. Course dates Sept. 28 – Nov. 29, 2019. Cost: $275

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/calling-all-neurons-designing-for-deep-learning-with-competencies-in-mind-tickets-69960394423

NEUFELD INSTITUTE

The Neufeld Institute has a variety of upcoming in-person and online learning opportunities, including Making Sense of Hypersensitivity, Making Sense of Aggression, and Bullies: Their Making and Unmaking. See their full event calendar at https://neufeldinstitute.org/events/

APRIL MCKNIGHT LEARNING CONSULTANT

April McKnight, winner of the 2012 Prime Minister Award for Teaching Excellence, is available to assist schools in enhancing the curriculum implementation, especially in the areas of STEAM, STEM, Career Education, Capstone project, cross-curricular projects, inquiry-based learning, and performance-based assessments. To see April in action view her TEDx talk Learning Should be Fun. More information at https://www.rilmcknight.com/