



# **PROVINCIAL OUTREACH PRO-D REGIONAL TOUR 2019**

#### **PROVINCIAL OUTREACH PRO-D** SUPPORTING THE MENTAL HEALTH & WELL-BEING OF SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

FISA is thrilled to present the 4th annual Provincial Outreach professional learning series. Join us for a day that inspires hope, promotes resiliency and demonstrates the power that compassionate learning communities can have in supporting the mental health and well-being of school communities. Our main presenter, Dr. Linda O'Neill, UNBC, is a sought-after speaker who spends much of her time crisscrossing BC and Yukon guiding schools, community organizations, and government agencies in efforts to support children and youth. Dr. O'Neill will offer a wealth of practical strategies that can be readily implemented within a school setting. Additionally, FISA will roll out a new educator resource: The Well-being BC website. This site was created in collaboration with the five FISA member associations, with the support of Dr. Kimberly Schonert-Reichl, through the Early Action Initiative federal grant to support mental health in schools. The Well-being BC website will contain a variety of resources including expert videos that introduce key Social-Emotional Learning concepts and school-based videos that show the concepts in action; viewing guides; infographic summaries; teaching resources; and an assessment & growth plan tool kit. FISA thanks Jenny Williams, SCSBC, for serving as project manager in the creation of this exciting new resource. We encourage schools to send as many people as you can to this year's Provincial Outreach. The events are free, and lunch is provided. Register below or at www.fisabc.ca under the "Pro-D" tab.

# **PROVINCIAL OUTREACH** (8:30 am - 4:00 pm)

# LOCATION

Cranbrook

Surrey

Terrace

Kelowna

Chilliwack

Vancouver

Nanaimo

Victoria

DATE

Prince George Mon, Sept. 30 Fri, Oct. 11 Tue, Oct. 15 Fri, Oct. 18 Wed, Nov. 20 Thur, Nov. 21 Fri, Nov. 22 Thur, Dec. 5 Fri, Dec. 6 Dawson Creek TBD

TO REGISTER PLEASE CLICK ON THE DATES

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### REGIONAL TOUR INFORMATION SESSION

The Regional Tour occurs in conjunction with the Provincial Outreach. The Regional Tour addresses regulatory and policy issues from the Independent Schools Branch in the Ministry of Education, and advocacy issues supported by FISA. It provides an opportunity for independent school administrators and board members to interact directly with Ministry representatives and FISA's Executive Director, Shawn Chisholm. Time will be given for participants to ask questions and bring forth concerns.

### **REGIONAL TOUR** (7:00 pm - 9:00 pm)

DATE

LOCATION Prince George Dawson Creek Surrey Terrace Kelowna Chilliwack Vancouver Victoria

Mon, Sept. 30 Mon, Oct. 7 Tue, Oct. 15 Thur, Oct. 17 Tue, Nov. 19 Wed, Nov. 20 Thur, Nov. 21 Thur, Dec. 5 TO REGISTER PLEASE CLICK ON THE DATES NOTE: The Provincial Outreach professional learning workshops are offered free of charge. However, a \$50 "late cancellation/no-show" fee will be charged to people who register but do not attend or provide 7 days' cancellation notice.

### PRESENTER'S BIO: DR. LINDA O'NEILL

Dr. O'Neill has earned a whole string of credentials after her name: PhD (in Educational Psychology), CCC (Canadian Certified Counsellor), CTS (Certified Trauma Specialist), Associate Professor (UNBC), and Clinical Coordinator (Community Counselling Centre, Prince George). She has also earned the admiration of thousands of people who have heard her present at events such as the 2018 MoE's Trauma Informed Practice Training Session and the 2018 BC Association of School Psychologists Conference. Dr. O'Neill's workshops always model a compassionate approach to learning and leave the participants feeling empowered and appreciated.

FISA expresses sincere thanks to the Ministry of Education for supporting professional learning in independent schools. We also extend special thanks to our member schools who have graciously agreed to serve as hosts for these events.