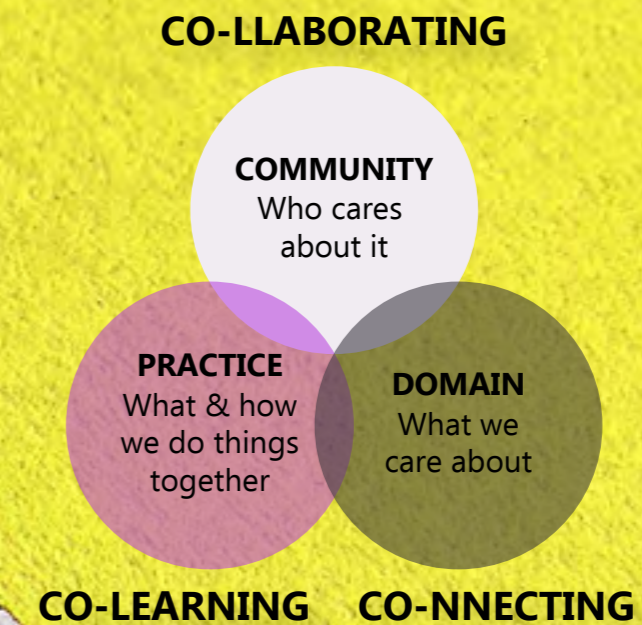


COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE 2021/2022

WHAT IS A COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE? The concept of a community of practice (CoP) is not new. We are all part of informal CoP's at work, home, and various community organizations we associate with. The purpose for our SD22 CoP's is to provide an opportunity for teachers to come together in order to more deeply understand pedagogy through discussion, sharing of experiences and resources, action-research, as well as for support and collaboration.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME? An opportunity to collaborate with teachers across the district to grow in your understanding of promising practices and gather resources along the way.

WHAT'S THE COMMITMENT? Communities of practice will have six meetings this school year, with two being held during the instructional day from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm at the district office. All other meetings will be held outside of the instructional day.



THE CURIOUS CLASSROOM

EXPLORATION: Passionate about creating environments where children's questions are honoured, and their wonders lead the learning? We will focus on student-driven inquiry and how we can implement a pedagogy of listening, critical reflection, collaborative dialogue, and pedagogical narration to enhance learning.

WHO:
Grade K-3 Teachers

MEETING DATE:
Nov 15th from 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm (Other Dates TBD)

Facilitator: Jennifer Friesen

CAPTURING LEARNING

EXPLORATION: Technology can support a variety of processes for gathering and recording student learning. This Community of Practice will explore different strategies for how learning can be captured, assessed, and communicated.

WHO:
Teachers & Administrators

MEETING DATE:
Dates TBD

Facilitators: Danielle Calder & Chelsea Kiddine

COMMUNITY OF INNOVATORS

EXPLORATION: This community will explore ways to be innovative in the classroom. Participants are encouraged to share innovative practices with each other. This is not limited to technology or a specific tool.

WHO:
Teachers & Administrators

MEETING DATES:
Oct 13th from 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm (Other Dates TBD)

Facilitators: Danielle Calder & Chelsea Kiddine

ENHANCING WRITERS

EXPLORATION: Interested in moving young writers forward through small group instruction? We will explore responsive practices that build relationships, are strength-based, and improve independence. Our anchor resource will be Jennifer Serravallo's 'Teaching Writing in Small Groups'.

WHO:
Teachers primary level writers

MEETING DATES:
Nov 22nd from 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm (Other dates TBD)

Facilitators: Deanna Michaud & Allison Jmayoff

CONTENT TO COMPETENCIES

EXPLORATION: Are you interested in changing from a content focus to a competency-based, concept-driven approach? This community of practice will investigate the "Know-Do-Understand" model to support a concept-based, competency-driven methods to access deeper learning.

WHO:
Grade 6-12 Teachers

MEETING DATE:
Oct 14th from 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm (Other Dates TBD)

Facilitator: Scott Belshaw

SECONDARY NUMERACY

EXPLORATION: This community will continue to explore and develop strategies and lessons that address both curricular competencies and content knowledge in secondary mathematics. A particular focus this year will be around assessment of content and competencies with support from Sean Chorney (SFU).

WHO:
Secondary Math Teachers

MEETING DATES:
Oct 5th from 8:30 am - 3:00 pm (Other Dates TBD)

Facilitators: Jen Carter & Sean Chorney

SPACES PILOT

EXPLORATION: This community will explore Spaces, a new digital portfolio platform created by the same company behind my-Blueprint. Participants will trial Spaces' unique features and share best practices for capturing and communicating student growth.

WHO:
Grade 7-12 Teachers

MEETING DATES:
Dates TBD

Facilitators: Bradley Ogasawara & Kristin Beeby

PLEASE CLICK ON THE CoP BOX AND COMPLETE THE SIGN-UP FORM TO REGISTER. THE FACILITATOR(S) OF EACH CoP WILL THEN REACH OUT TO THOSE SIGNED UP. EACH CoP WILL BE ACCEPTING 10-12 PARTICIPANTS.

