High School Professional Learning Opportunities

April 2019
Hosted at Horizon School Division Office, 10366 8th Avenue, Humboldt SK
Minimum 8 participants, maximum 20 participants

Enhancing Reading Comprehension - (Registration Deadline – March 25, 2019) This workshop will explore a variety of strategies to increase student understanding of text. Discover teaching strategies that will deepen students’ understanding of text before, during, and after reading. Learn how to activate background knowledge, help students generate deeper thinking questions to predict, develop mental images to visualize, determine main ideas and details, find information to make inferences, synthesize information, and use fix-up strategies to get back on track when comprehension starts to break down.

DATE: Tuesday, April 2, 2019
LOCATION: Horizon Division Office (Humboldt)
TIME: 9am-3pm
FACILITATOR: Literacy Coach Jacquie Bergerman

Developing Engaged Readers - Participants will explore the components of an engaging high school ELA reading program that supports all readers. Topics will include establishing an effective independent reading program through an accessible classroom library and conferencing to support readers. Learn how to guide students in setting individual reading goals and discovering their reading identity through interest inventories. Explore how to do book talks to help connect students with texts that they will enjoy. Participants will examine how to utilize book clubs and whole class texts to engage their high school learners.

DATE: Thursday, April 4, 2019
LOCATION: New Division Office (Humboldt)
TIME: 9am-3pm
FACILITATOR: Literacy Coach Jacquie Bergerman

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A Novel Approach: Whole-Class Novels, Student-Centered Teaching, and Choice by Kate Roberts - Book Study – (Registration Deadline – March 1, 2019) Be inspired by new thinking and fresh strategies on how to use whole class texts and how to support individual student learning. PD funds may be used to purchase Kate Roberts’ book A Novel Approach. Participants will read the book and then attend a one-day session unpacking the main ideas from the book which include how to read literature deeply, identifying and supporting individual student needs, choosing whole class texts, planning to teach texts and reading strategies, differentiating, conferencing, teaching mini-lessons, and doing read-alouds.

DATE: Wednesday, May 29, 2019
LOCATION: New Division Office
TIME: 9am-3pm
FACILITATOR: Literacy Coach Jacquie Bergerman

Planning A Year of ELA – (Registration Deadline – May 24, 2019) Participants will examine how to plan a year of high school ELA to create a dynamic and engaging reading and writing program. We will delve into how to design units and learning opportunities that will engage and support students in their reading and writing.

DATE: Monday, June 3, 2019
LOCATION: New Division Office
TIME: 9am-3pm
FACILITATOR: Literacy Coach Jacquie Bergerman

Developing Engaged Writers - (Registration Deadline – May 24, 2019) Participants will learn how to create a community of engaged writers. Teachers will learn to provide students with time and engaging strategies for generating writing ideas, such as quick writes. The writer’s notebook will be introduced in the context of a writer’s workshop instructional framework.

DATE: Wednesday, June 5, 2019
LOCATION: New Division Office
TIME: 9am-3pm
FACILITATOR: Literacy Coach Jacquie Bergerman

To register for any of these professional learning opportunities, please go to https://www.horizonsd.ca