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**Here is your weekly update of SD57 events!**

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## LATEST UPDATES

### Weaving Together Strands of Practice: Session 7!

Attendance at previous sessions is an advantage, not a requirement. Please join us!



#### Session 7: Leyton Schnellert

April 5<sup>th</sup>, 3:30pm to 5:00pm – In-Person at Van Bien Training and Development Centre

Please register on PD Reg: <https://schdist57.sharepoint.com/sites/pdhub>

Join us for an engaging presentation by Leyton Schnellert continuing the learning and conversations from Jo Chrona's presentation on March 1<sup>st</sup> about systemic racism and inequity in our education systems. Focussing on:

- the intersections between Indigenous education and anti-racism work
- what it means to be anti-racist and work for equity
- what it can mean to move from fear to learning to growth in anti-racism in Canada, and BC specifically
- how we can understand the roles of bias and privilege in our work, and in whose voices we respond to
- how we can use our spheres of influence to create change.

District Directions: **Truth and Reconciliation**, **Equity of Access**, Wellness, **Learning**



**Leyton Schnellert** – Dr. Leyton Schnellert is an associate professor in the Faculty of Education at UBC's Okanagan campus with vast experience in educational settings from SFU, K-12 education and professional development facilitator across BC, the Yukon and NWT. He's presented, facilitated and published locally, provincially, nationally and internationally with a focus of supporting teachers to bridge research and practice. His session will facilitate a very engaging and practical conversations towards educational leadership through a reflective and collaborative practice.

## Spring Fling – April 28, 2023



Registration now open! <https://edfling.ourconference.ca/>

The 19th annual Spring Fling *'oluh noye* Educational Conference takes place in-person only at Prince George Secondary School in Prince George / Lheidli T'enneh Territory, BC on April 28th, 2023. This conference serves pre-K and K-12 educators from North Central BC and is co-hosted by BCTF Locals 27 Cariboo-Chilcotin, 28 Quesnel, 55 Burns Lake, 56, Nechako, and 57 Prince George. The conference is open to teachers, administrators, education professionals, education support staff, and other guests. We typically see 800 or more educators at this event. Workshop topics span the range of interest, including curricular areas, mental health and wellness, and cross-curricular concerns for educators and schools. In addition to room-based workshops, we welcome proposals for excursions, land-based and experiential learning.

### SPRING FLING AT A GLANCE

**8:45am – 10:00am** Plenary Session, Introductions from Daryl Beauregard, PGDTA president, Welcome from Elder, Keynote speaker: Berns Galloway

**10:00am – 10:30am** Break

**10:30am – 12:00pm** Workshop Session I

**12:00pm – 1:15pm** Lunch – we are planning on providing lunch this year as part of the registration costs

**1:15pm – 2:45pm** Workshop Session II

### Conference Fees:

- BCTF members (including TTOCs) in sponsoring districts (SD27, SD28, SD57, SD91 locals 55 & 56): **free** (\$50 fee covered by your PD Funds)
- Administrators, EAs, education professionals & support staff, Indigenous Ed Dep't: **free** (covered by Association contributions & subsidy from PGDTA)
- Student teachers, PAC & DPAC members, elders, school board trustees in SD57: **free** (welcomed guests)
- Others (including independent school teachers and BCTF members in non-sponsoring districts: \$50 (for the whole day) -- online payment upon registration, or by arrangement with the conference coordinator (e.g. coordinator will provide an invitational code and the school can send a cheque for "SD57 PGDTA PD Fund" c/o PGDTA 101-1968 Queensway, Prince George BC V2L 1M2).

**Conference Inquiries:** Email Conference Coordinator Glen Thielmann [gthielmann@sd57.bc.ca](mailto:gthielmann@sd57.bc.ca) or phone 250-562-7214 (PGDTA office)

## Online Conference – 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Neufeld Institute



### Saturday, April 22, 2023: Wisdom of Nature

Speakers: Gordon Neufeld, Deborah MacNamara, Tamara Strijack and special guests, Gabor Maté and Daniel Maté.

For more information and to register, go to <https://neufeldinstitute.org/conference-2023/>

### About Our Conference Theme

A belief in the wisdom of Nature goes hand-in-hand with a fundamental belief in the spontaneous unfolding of human potential. The study of the human brain reveals incredible inner springs to action – instincts, emotions and defenses – all meant to take care of us when distressed and help us to flourish when conditions are conducive. Assuming that something is wrong with the brain is tragically self-fulfilling. *The brain has its reasons* – the key is depending upon the brain as it works to take care of us and our children. We live in a time when the evidence of the wisdom of Nature has never been greater, yet the faith in Nature to take care of us remains rare.

Our 2023 conference theme, *Wisdom of Nature*, was inspired by Gabor Maté's special on *The Wisdom of Trauma*, which catapulted him into the stratosphere (over 6 million views) in the therapy community. His recent book, *The Myth of Normal*, written together with his son Daniel, has been on the New York bestseller lists. We thought it only appropriate to invite Gabor and Daniel to a dialogue on this material, especially as it applies to parenting.

## REMINDERS:

### 2023 Prince George Regional Heritage Fair – Register



Thursday, May 11, 2023 at Prince George Civic Centre

Register: <https://theexplorationplace.com/event/prince-george-regional-heritage-fair/>

Final date for Regional Fair individual student registration is **April 14th, 2023**

(Registration deadline for classes has passed.)

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## Spring Teaching Imagination In Place (TIPS) 2023



**CALLING ALL Walking Curriculum and Imaginative Ecological Education enthusiasts!** Enrich your imaginative ecological outdoor teaching practices in this FREE Spring 2023 event.

Register & get info: <https://outdoorlearningstore.com/springtips/>

### WEBINARS

#### Monday April 3rd – 4pm Pacific

“The Walking Curriculum Unearthed”: Growing Your Imaginative Teaching Network (Networking: Sharing experiences, Q&A with the imaginED IEE teaching team)

#### Monday April 17 – 4pm Pacific

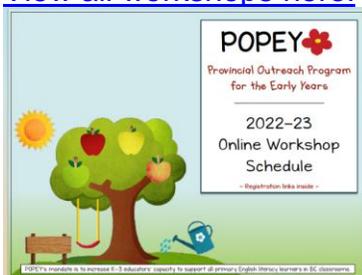
“The Walking Curriculum Unearthed”: Digging Deeper into Feelings, Activeness, and Place (Q&A / Next Steps for Learning)

### Weaving Together Strands of Practice: Session 4 Presentation by Kevin Lamoureux (January 4<sup>th</sup> Recording)

If you missed the January 4<sup>th</sup> online presentation by Kevin Lamoureux, or want to review it, a transcribed and chaptered recording is available here: [https://schdist57-my.sharepoint.com/:v/g/person/ijeffery\\_sd57\\_bc\\_ca/EQuuHRe04xRCre8-WoPe3YABXdffFVfgkNXCuaiWfxdrMA?e=4w6AxA](https://schdist57-my.sharepoint.com/:v/g/person/ijeffery_sd57_bc_ca/EQuuHRe04xRCre8-WoPe3YABXdffFVfgkNXCuaiWfxdrMA?e=4w6AxA)

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**Respecting the beautiful unceded ancestral lands, culture and people of the Lheidli T'enneh, McLeod Lake Indian Band and Simpcw First Nation.**