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**Here is your weekly update of SD57 events!**  
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## LATEST UPDATES

### Weaving Together Strands of Practice: Session 8!

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



### Session 8: Denise Augustine

May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 3:30pm to 5:00pm – In-Person at Vanier Hall

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

Join us for an engaging presentation by Denise Augustine about differentiation and learning.

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



**Denise Augustine** – Denise Augustine (Swee'alt) is a Coast Salish woman with mixed ancestry. She has been an educator for over 20 years. More recently, as the district principal of Aboriginal education, Denise works closely with teachers, administrators and support staff. In side-by-side coaching, action research, and experiential workshops, she carefully weaves story and research together, inviting adults to open their hearts and minds and imagine a community that values diversity and inspires innovation.

## **Student Numeracy Assessment & Practice: Introduction to SNAP**

April 19, 2023

**3:00pm – 3:45pm on Teams, TODAY**

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

New to using SNAP? Virtually join Jennifer Dionne and Lynette Turcotte for an overview of the Student Numeracy Assessment & Practice (SNAP). Learn where to access SNAP templates and explore ways to introduce SNAP to your class.

## **Spruceland Community School of the Arts Information Session**

April 25<sup>th</sup>, starting at **3:30pm**

If you are an enthusiastic teacher who is considering a change and are interested in hearing about the arts school we are opening in September 2023, please save the date. You are invited to join us on Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm in the Spruceland Library Learning Commons where we will discuss the Spruceland Community School of the Arts. During this information session, we will cover our new arts integration program, our professional development opportunities, and our anticipated teacher postings. Please note you do not need to be an artist to work at Spruceland Community School of the Arts, but we are searching for creatively-minded and passionate individuals to join our team. Please come and learn more about our exciting upcoming professional opportunities!

## **Welcome to Kindergarten Information Session**

May 9, 2023: **3:15pm to 4:15pm**, Van Bien Training & Development Centre

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

Please join Tracy Cole and Lynette Turcotte to learn more about hosting a Welcome To Kindergarten Session at your school. There will be an overview of a WTK event, samples of different stations, AMAZING PRIZES, and snacks! Please join us if you are new to Kindergarten or want a refresher on hosting a WTK event.

## **Volunteer Outdoor EDUCATOR Training Workshop with Adventure Smart BC**



May 17, 2023: 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Free, on Zoom: [pre-register here](#).

What's this training all about?

Participants will learn how to educate enthusiasts with our curriculum about personal preparedness and decision making for outdoor recreation.

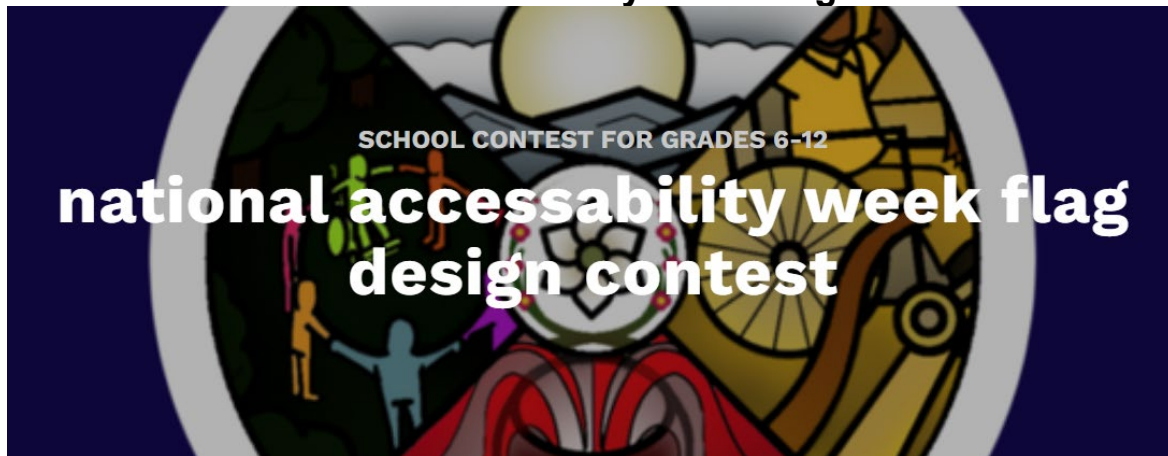
Workshop topics (for Spring intake):

- ~ Survive Outside Program
- ~ Hug a Tree & Survive Program
- ~ Consistent, reliable messaging
- ~ Industry collaboration (partnerships, blogs, media, websites)
- ~ Community outreach
- ~ Provincial outdoor education resources
- ~ Strategies: data, partnerships, targeted initiatives

Who can participate?

Outdoor educators, guides, outdoor recreation management & tourism university students, media/journalists, search and rescue volunteers, teachers, tourism representatives, front line staff/volunteers (hospitality), social media influencers & outdoor enthusiasts.

## Easter Seals National AccessAbility Week Flag Contest



Deadline for submissions is **April 28, 2023**.

Details here: <https://www.eastersealsbcy.ca/accessability-week-flag-contest/>

## REMINDERS

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

### **PEBT/JEIS Presentation: The Top 5 Things to Expect If You Cannot Work Due to an Illness or Injury**

April 28<sup>th</sup>: Pro-D Day

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

**CUPE Only**, In-Person in Parsnip Room at Central Administration Office

Multiple identical sessions to give more staff a chance to attend:

- 8:00am to 9:00am **ALMOST FULL**
- 9:00am to 10:00am
- 10:00am to 11:00am
- 11:00pm to 12:00pm
- 12:00pm to 1:00pm

Hosted by Ray Parker from PEBT. Contact Darcy Culling ([dculling@sd57.bc.ca](mailto:dculling@sd57.bc.ca)) with questions! If you are a regular K-12 support staff member in CUPE working 15 hours per week or more, please join the 60-minute presentation for the Public Education Benefits Trust (PEBT) to learn:

- What you can expect from the Joint Early Intervention Services when you stop working due to illness or injury
- How other members have been supported including those suffering from depression, pain, and substance misuse
- What you should know about long term disability benefits

## APRIL FINE ARTS EVENTS

### April

21 - PGSO at Glenview and Springwood

23 - PGSO Kinder Concert: Frog Prince/Ferdinand the Bull

25, 26, 27 - SD 57 Spring Music Showcase at Vanier Hall (formerly Singfest)

27 - Quinson Arts Showcase

26 - 29 - Duchess Park Theatre Co. presents 'Game of Tiaras - A Comedy by Don Zolidis (dinner theatre April 27) - 7 pm

**28 - Spring Fling Fine Arts Workshops:** [edfling.ourconference.ca](http://edfling.ourconference.ca)

\*Artist Inquiry: From Study to Studio - Elem.—Bryan Gidinski

\*Beginner Zentangle - any age - Tamara DeFord

\*Drumming for Early Childhood Educators - Darcy Dennis

\*Learn to Bead a Red Dress - anyone - Cheryl Corrick

\*Sing, Move & Play with the Building Blocks of Orff - Elem. - Lori Froese

\*Let's Watch our Students Create in the Orff Way - Elem. - Lori Froese

\*Paint Pouring with Sarah and Marlo - anyone - Marlo Mahoney, Sarah Addison

\*Concept to Script - Screen Writing Workshop - Secondary - Andrew Buckley

\*The 'Not So Happily Ever After' Storytelling Wkshp - Secondary - Andrew Buckley

### COMING SOON.....

May 3 - June 30 UVic Western Music Theory (on line)

May 5 - Norman Foote at PG Playhouse accompanied by ECHE Senior Choir

June 1 - Quinson - 'Let's Jam' a musical

June - CHSS - 'How the West was Dun' a musical

July 5 - August 9 Kodaly Level 1, Orff Level 1, Ind. Artistic Practise (on campus)

Aug 28 - Sept 1 - Teaching Guitar (and Ukulele) Workshop in the Okanagan

*Questions? Suggestions? Additions?*

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## **Moose Hide Campaign – K-12 Registration and Resources**



Since 2011, the Moose Hide Campaign has been a reconciliation movement calling upon all Canadians to stand together to end violence against women and children.

For this year's campaign day, we are excited to offer **two free livestreams, one for elementary grades and one for middle- and upper-year grades** for K-12 schools. We will have a variety of new video workshops and lesson plans for each grade level that are focused on reconciliation and change making. All the workshops and our livestreams will be available to registrants in advance of campaign day so you can create learning opportunities that work for your students and schedule. [Educational resources for K-12](#) available here.

### [K-12 Registration for Campaign Day, May 11, 2023](#)

On the day you can expect:

- Livestream options depending on grade level
- Ceremony
- Cultural performances by Indigenous artists
- Inspiring youth speakers
- Intergenerational learning
- Engaging and interactive workshop options which are pre-recorded to use as a tool leading up to Moose Hide Campaign Day, on the day, or as follow up to the event the event.

## 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**

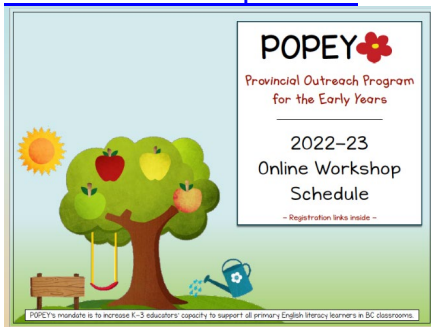
Our 2023 conference theme, *Wisdom of Nature*, was inspired by Gabor Maté's special on *The Wisdom of Trauma*, which catapulted him into the stratosphere (over 6 million views) in the therapy community. His recent book, *The Myth of Normal*, written together with his son Daniel, has been on the New York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

## 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/personal/jjeffery\\_sd57\\_bc\\_ca/EQuuHRe04xRCre8-WoPe3YABXdffFVfGkNXCuaiWfxdrMA?e=4w6AxA](https://schdist57-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/g/personal/jjeffery_sd57_bc_ca/EQuuHRe04xRCre8-WoPe3YABXdffFVfGkNXCuaiWfxdrMA?e=4w6AxA)

## POPEY Free Online Workshops

[View all workshops here!](#)



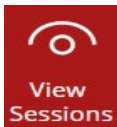
## [Indigenous Education Website](#)

## [Inclusive Education SharePoint](#)

## [Curriculum Innovation – Curriculum Hub](#)

All weekly updates are archived here: <https://www.sd57curriculumhub.com/updates>

See all SD57 Professional Development Opportunities on [PD Reg](#)



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