

Elementary PA Day Program

| | |
|---|--|
| Date | October 6, 2023 |
| Length | Full day |
| Topic | Literacy, Mathematics & School Improvement Planning |
| Entity Hosting/Location | Niagara Catholic DSB (Sites: Saint Paul, Saint Michael, Notre Dame College, Our Lady of the Holy Rosary) |
| Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s) | Niagara Catholic Program & Innovation (Consultants & Coaches), Principals & Vice-Principals |
| Description <p>All elementary Administrators, Teachers (K-8) and Early Childhood educators will participate in a full day PA Day program at four different sites. The employee groups will attend three 1.5 hour sessions focused on Literacy, Mathematics and School improvement Planning. Various Program and Innovation Department Consultants and Coaches will be leading the elementary sessions. Principals and Vice-Principals will lead the School Improvement Planning session for their respective schools.</p> <p>The literacy session for K-2 educators will consist of unpacking what evidence-based literacy instruction looks like and sounds like in K-2 classrooms. Connections will be made between the content of the 2023 Language curriculum document. Educators in grades 3-8 will be introduced to the 'why' behind implementing structured literacy routines in the 3-8 classroom. Key learnings from this session will focus on The Ontario Human Rights Commission's Right To Read Report and the scientific framework of Dr. Hollis Scarborough's Reading Rope. Connections will be made between the content found in Appendix B of the Curriculum document.</p> <p>In the mathematics session, participants will learn how to use formative assessment as a tool to analyze student learning. Participants will practice moving from using quantitative assessments to building qualitative data stories. They will learn advanced reporting features and build a deeper understanding of how questions and their deliberate answer choices help teachers to analyze student understanding. Finally, participants will dig deeper into the professional development supports provided through Knowledgehook and how to complete a data cycle using the interventions suggested.</p> <p>Administrators will facilitate the School Improvement session, working with staff to use data to determine the areas of need in mathematics, identify strategies at the school and classroom level to support student achievement and determine key performance indicators. This session will help to inform their Math Achievement Action Plan and Student Achievement Plan.</p> | |