

QPAT Preconvention workshops (Revised)

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9h00 – 15h00

Hotel Bonaventure Montreal

Coding in the Classroom (CANCELLED)

Workshop Description: Calling all grade 4-8 teachers! Join us as we dive into the world of coding and show you how to bring it into your classroom—regardless of the subject! Get hands-on experience with resources like CS First, FTC SIM, Codingville and more, and learn how to seamlessly integrate coding into your curriculum. Discover innovative ways to nurture creativity and problem-solving skills in your students. This workshop will empower you to make coding accessible and engaging for your classroom. No experience necessary!

Beyond the Banana Piano: Invention Literacy with Makey Makey (CANCELLED)

Speakers: Craig Bullett, Chris Colley, Christine Truesdale, Carolyn Buteau, Education Consultants with Learn Quebec

LEARN/RÉCIT provincial service for the anglophone community welcomes you to a day of hands-on experiential learning and interdisciplinary fun! We will use Makey Makey to learn about circuits, create interactive art and design a prototype that solves a real-life problem. We will model the design thinking process, the maker mindset and even coding with Scratch 3.0 (for those who want to take the Makey to another level). Regardless of your experience level with tech, we will guide your exploration to integrate Makey Makey across subject-areas and at all age levels.

Who Am I and My Relationship with the World

Speaker: Deirdre Potash, teaching artist, ArtWill Studio

In a fun, stimulating and interactive learning environment, you (and then your students) will learn simple art techniques along with exploring accessible materials to solidify learning in your classroom. This is a hands-on workshop with lots of opportunities to ask questions. All materials supplied. Relax, be encouraged, and create.

Women in Leadership: Empowering Each Other

Speakers: Heidi Yetman (CTF-FCE President), Jan Langelier (AAESQ), Anne Vinet-Roy (AEFO President), Anne Dionne (CSQ Vice-president), Lori Newton (MTA President), Gillian O'Rourke-Garrett (ESTA President)

This workshop is restricted for those who identify as women only.

The role of women in leadership is essential and the proportion of teachers that are women should be reflected in leadership positions. This full day workshop intended for women only, will be a safe space to discuss, debate and reflect on the future of women in leadership and how to promote gender equality. The workshop will begin with an overview of why it is so important to have women involved in decision making. This will be followed by a discussion panel of women who hold leadership positions in their unions or associations. A leadership journey in education will be shared and inspire the leader in you. Finally, we want to hear from you. How do we move forward? How do we assure that women are present? How do we make our voices heard?

Buddy Teachers + Buddy Classrooms = Math Success K - 6

Speaker: Jane Felling, consultant, Box Cars and One-Eyed Jacks

In this full day math games workshop, you will learn the best activities and games for developing a cross graded math game buddies program. Come learn as a team... a primary and upper elementary; and learn games that are easy to differentiate and that empower all learners. The benefit for older students includes relearning basic concepts where there are gaps, leadership skills that develop from instructing younger students who benefit from 1-1 teaching. For our primary students they have their own "math coach" and build relationships across the grade levels.

After an overview of how we teach cross graded game classes, participants will learn a wide variety of games: a primary level and then a related, spiraled up variation of the game for upper elementary.

Handout will contain favorite games to help you develop this power teaching strategy, journal writing extensions, concepts skill checklists for assessment. Games will incorporate the use of cards, dice, dominoes, number lines and will cover simple operations, multi digit operations, place value, fractions, graphing and more. COME PREPARED TO PLAY!

Safe School: Non-Violent School Interventions

Speaker: Kevin Secours, Self Defense and Security Specialist, Integrated Fighting Systems

In this full day workshop, we will be focusing on two primary areas of concentration:

-In the morning, we will be addressing the essential tactics of early detection, avoidance, and de-escalation. Through active role playing, you will learn how to keep yourself safe by managing your distance, your stance, gesture and language, to direct aggression to peaceful resolutions. You will also learn important biohacks for your breathing, movement and vision, to help you better manage the effects on conflict stress, keeping your cognitive and in control.

-In the afternoon we will evolve to more physical intervention, learning correct positioning, how to initiate contact, how to separate aggressive parties and ultimately the goals of physical intervention. Regardless of your experience or physical capacity, you will learn how to maximize your presence and keep yourself safe.

The entire day will be built on a framework that balances policy, the legal use of force and our duty of care. We will attempt to address global strategies that work across a universal spectrum of threats, while giving attention to special concern such as handling parental aggression, coping with violence from students with special needs, and integrating and responding to the particular requirements of the participants.

ART AND CRAFT vs CREATIVE ARTS in Elementary reports (CANCELLED)

Speaker: Louise Standjofski, Drama and Art Specialist, Director of Faites des arts! and Explorations Summer Camp

Craft and Skill in art in education versus Creativity and Appreciation: how to teach both and glean marks Louise will present her guide to the requisites and curricular expectations of each cycle in Elementary Art in the curriculum. This workshop includes vocabulary, skills, materials, ideas for accomplishing the technical aspects, art corner set up that facilitates cross curricular projects and marks that are available in your class to include "art" marks on the report card.

Exploring Science through Minecraft and Tinkercad: A Hands-on Workshop for Teachers (CANCELLED)

Speaker: Magy Dimitry, ICT Pedagogical Consultant

This innovative workshop is designed to introduce teachers to the exciting possibilities of using these two powerful tools in the classroom to enhance the teaching and learning of science. Block by block, Minecraft can help build immersive and interactive virtual environments that can simulate real-world scientific phenomena like in a chemistry lab! Tinkercad, a 3D design platform, can be used to create models of scientific concepts and objects. We will pay close attention to its new added feature, the Sim Lab, which, I guarantee, will be a game changer in your class - no 3D printers are required necessarily for that feature.

In this day-long workshop, educators will learn how to use Minecraft and Tinkercad to create engaging and interactive lessons that align with the curriculum and spark student curiosity and interest in science. The workshop will be hands-on and will provide opportunities for collaboration and sharing of ideas with other educators. By the end of the workshop, participants will have gained the skills and knowledge needed to confidently integrate these powerful tools into their science curriculum, resulting in a more dynamic and engaging learning experience for their students.

PROACTIVE INTERVENTIONS - Navigating Challenging Situations in the Classroom (CANCELLED)

Speaker: Mark A. Krupa, Professor, Dramatherapist, professional performer TV / Film, CONCORDIA University

A Drama-Therapist with 20 years teaching experience, Mark Krupa facilitates a dynamic, interactive, full-day workshop that offers educators proactive tools to navigate challenging situations in the classroom.

Beginning with fun, relaxing, warm-up, spontaneity-enhancing exercises, and creative team-building improvisations that develop self-care and inter-personal awareness, participants will then discuss and role-play difficult situations in their classrooms. Relying on the vast teaching expertise of the group, intervention possibilities will be thoroughly explored, focusing on how to de-escalate, manage, and overcome potential stressful scenarios.

Halfway Between The Gutters and The Stars – Taking Your Graphic Novel Teaching To New Levels (CANCELLED)

Speaker: Max Crowther, Librarian, Bishop's College School

Comic books and graphic novels have come a long way, and become more prevalent than ever. So, on a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rate your visual literacy and sequential art instruction? In this full day series of micro-lessons, shared resources, collaborative exercises, informed discussions, and interactive workshop activities, you can prepare to "up your game" when it comes to choosing, teaching, reading, and learning from graphic storytelling.

Media School: Digital Storytelling (CANCELLED)

Speaker Nathalie Lariviere, National Film Board

Media School is an introductory workshop on digital storytelling, guided by filmmaker and mentor Paul Tom. Students will navigate through a variety of videos and interactive activities related to the different stages of film production. They will acquire the tools to create their own digital stories, dynamic videos

composed of photos, narration and music, using accessible equipment such as their smartphones and widely available software.

This online workshop:

- Is turn-key, easy to use in-class or at home;
- Allows you to pick and choose from among 100+ hands-on activities;
- Builds media literacy and digital citizenship;
- Features project-based learning Integrates with several school subjects (Arts, Social Sciences, French and English, etc.);
- Includes evaluation grids and pedagogical guides.

This online workshop provides educators a step-by-step introduction to the fundamentals of digital storytelling, like photography; - editing;- research;- writing narration;- online ethics;- copyright;- distribution. Media School offers students the chance to become visual storytellers, all while acquiring new competencies that'll help them improve their narrative skills and express their creativity!

Recess from Stress

Speakers: Rukhshanna Surty and Ian Ramsay, Wellness Consultant, Harmoni Holistic Health

A calm mind and relaxed body are powerful enhancers of both teaching and learning. We will explore paradigms that combine time-honoured wisdom with cutting-edge research to release default patterns of thinking and behaving. The felt-sense of mental calm through direct experience is a game-changer. Join us and have fun moving, breathing and being in new and beneficial ways to nourish creativity and set the template for successful learning and growth.

Breathe, move, dance, stretch, inquire, feel, meditate - and leave feeling focused, balanced and vibrant! Moving from overwhelmed to calm is learned behaviour – and yes, you can learn it! When you have felt it, you can share it! Classroom activities that are easy to learn and teach will be provided.

Game-Changer Habits that Work

Speaker: Thi Ry Duong, Relationship Coach, LeaderForTrueLove.com

Through interactive discussion and breakouts, learn how to incorporate ways to accept change and embrace effective habits and routines that vastly improve the ability to achieve whatever you desire.

Some of the things we cover include:

- Learn the strategies of highly effective and successful people
- Identify which habits work and don't work in supporting success
- Learn the least stressful way to incorporate new habits
- Get examples of routines and habits to get started toward success
- How to make habits sustainable with the noise of daily life

SUMMARY: This workshop/playshop helps participants learn how to adopt successful habits and routines in order to achieve their desired goals. Through interactive discussions and breakouts, participants will gain insight into highly effective strategies and explore which habits work and don't work for each.