November 2019

### **CURRICU-LENS**



Monthly News from your Curriculum and Learning Team





Our 53 Teacher Candidates are LOVING spending their Wednesdays in 4 elementary, 2 middle schools, and at Belmont. We've had 2 afternoons of Professional Learning together, most recently digging into the final versions of the Core Competencies where they heard from some teachers about how they are supporting students in self-assessing in their classrooms.

Teaching and Learning in Sooke District #62!

#### **CURRICULENS FOCUS:**

#### **District Resource Centre**

Join us for our SIP & SEE! THE NEW CORE COMP. POSTERS ARE READY!

Complete set for the first 20 teachers!

Dec. 11th at 3:30 - 4:30

Learn about new resources to support Core Compentencies!



Educational Resource Acquisition Consortium (ERAC) is now "Focused Education Resources."

The Digital classroom resources are still available here: bcerac.ca/bcdc-access/
Email your school's teacher librarian for your school's username and password.

A unique collection of digital resources, including World Book, Gale, My Blueprint, Magazines, NoveList K-8 Plus, and EBSCO specifically designed to meet the diverse needs of K – 12; there is something for every age group

Available to students and staff, both at home and at school!

**Book Club Dinner Series! Our** 

intrepid readers are on to

their 2nd book!

Next meeting:

Nov. 26th, 4:30 - 6:00

at White Spot!



#### **CURRICULENS CONTINUED:**

#### DID YOU KNOW??

## BC Performance Standards & Exemplars

are STILL a great resource!

- Written with the input of a large number of BC educators about standards and expectations in Reading, Writing (Gr. 1 -10) & Numeracy (Gr. 1 - 8)
- Still match with our Curriculum still
   'widely held expectations' when used to
   assess a performance task (reading and
   responding, writing, or a numeracy word
   problem in context)

Teachers can use these to:

- monitor, evaluate and report
- develop a profile of a class to support instructional decision-making
- Use in conversations with parents to show strengths and stretches
- Answer the questions:
  - "How good is good enough?"
  - What does it look like when a student's work has met the expectations at this grade level?

Performance standards still use the old language of 'meeting' - so until there are newer versions, you can think about them with the current Proficiency Scale language.

Go to www2gov.bc.ca to download!

# MINISTRY UPDATES:



MoE has recently

posted a "Walk Thru"
the new Core
Competencies and our
beloved Vivian Collyer
is the narrator!
Follow this link to the Core
Competencies, scroll down to
'resources' and click on the links
to watch for yourself!
curriculum.gov.bc.ca/
competencies

#### Peter Liljedahl Oct. 10th!



Five of our middle and secondary teachers were able to join other Vancouver Island educators for an all day session with **Dr. Peter Liljedahl**, focusing on numeracy tasks and the use of vertical non-permanent surfaces. It was an informative and engaging day, with lots of discussion around numeracy and its connections with mathematics and assessment.

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