Professional Development Committee



Time For You To Choose Your Own Professional Development Opportunity: Learning Team

Do you feel isolated in your school and would like to connect with another teacher in another building? Are there teachers in your building with whom you would like time to co-plan or share teaching and learning resources or ideas?

Teachers often seek support from other teachers to support them with planning, assessment, share their resources or co-plan a unit together. The ATA Local #38 Professional Development Committee would like to support teachers by creating an opportunity to visit each other's school or to have time to collaborate.

The ATA Local 38 will provide one full or two half day substitute for you to meet with your Learning Team member. You and your team partner will have discretion as to how these days will be used, provided they are spent working together, on <u>activities that further professional practice to enhance student learning</u>. These activities must take place within Calgary, Alberta. They may include, but not limited to:

- Help with planning units of study, discussion on assessment tools
- Building IPPs, resources, unit plans, etc.
- Visiting /observing other classrooms in your schools or at another school
- Examining philosophies of teaching and learning
- Accessing and developing resources
- Visiting professional libraries, etc.

Who are the participants?

Teachers with a minimum of 3 years teaching within CBE and have not accessed the Mentorship Program this year.

What is the time commitment?

Both teachers in the team must commit to two after school sessions (please check your calendars), and together, provide an account of the activities for which the release days were used.

What are the benefits?

Each participant will have access to one half day Substitute Teacher days. (Two half days TOTAL PER TEAM.) These release days are funded by ATA Local 38.

Dates REQUIRED to Attend

Meeting – 5:30 to 6:00PM Thursday, November 5th, 2020 (virtual meeting) Time for you to meet with your collaboration partner - anytime between November 6th and May 15th, 2021

Reconnection Dinner and Team Presentations – 6:00 to 9:00PM Thursday, June 3rd, 2021 (tentative)

Registration is limited to 20 applications

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Register by	Friday October 30, 2020

Register via Google Form here: <u>http://bit.ly/Collaboration2020-2021</u>

ONLY ONE PARTNER NEEDS TO FILL OUT THE GOOGLE FORM Please CHECK YOUR CALENDAR to ensure you are available to attend BOTH meetings.