

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY DAY

Friday, May 31st, 2024

AGENDA

The day will encompass a spectrum of Professional Development sessions tailored to accommodate the unique roles of educators.

Elementary Teachers will use the day for Assessment, Evaluation, and Reporting. No formal agenda will be set for the Elementary staff for this day. **Early Childhood Educators (ECEs)** will also collaborate with Kindergarten Teachers on assessment in the morning.

Early Childhood Educators (ECEs) will also engage in an enriching half-day afternoon workshop focusing on outdoor play, deeply rooted in Indigenous teachings, fostering a holistic understanding of nature-based education and cultural perspectives intertwined with outdoor learning experiences. These sessions will take place regionally at St. Gregory CS in Carleton Place or at Iona Academy CS in Williamstown from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Secondary Teachers will spend the day in their home schools exploring 21st Century Global Competencies, Experiential Learning, Job Preparedness and Pathways; they will learn about integrating opportunities into their classrooms which will support students in developing necessary skills for the world beyond the classroom.

A **select number of secondary teachers from the CDSBEO Technology, Physical Education and Science departments** will receive Safety Certification Training. Teachers will participate in comprehensive training sessions at the Kemptville Board Office and St. Michael's Catholic High School, tailored to the specific safety protocols and guidelines relevant to their respective teaching domains, ensuring a thorough understanding and implementation of safety measures within their educational environments.

Elementary and Secondary Student Support Workers (SSWs) will join in person at St. Michael's Catholic High School in Kemptville. They will explore School Mental Health Ontario resources to assist with school implementation. SSWs will also learn about revisions to the Child Protection Modules for the 2024-25 school year and update tracking documentation for this current year.

Secretaries will participate in a full-day, in-person professional development session from 9:00am to 3:00pm which will be held at St. Michael Catholic High School in the cafeteria. This day will provide time for secretaries to enhance their knowledge in a variety of areas to support the important work that they do each day in their school communities.

All **Educational Assistants** will have the opportunity to participate in the EA draft which will occur virtually on Teams during work hours. More information to follow from Human Resources. The remainder of the day can be spent reviewing student plans, preparing resources, collaborating with the team, and completing any required Health and Safety modules.

Elementary IAWs will be meeting virtually for a training workshop with SCLCs and BCBA's from 9:00-10:30 am. The remainder of the day can be spent updating student plans and paperwork, collaborating with the team, and completing any required Health and Safety modules.

Secondary IAWs will partake in transition planning and programming in their programs.

MORNING

Welcome, Land Acknowledgement and Prayer Service - All Staff

Staff will start off their day by Acknowledging the Land and join as a community in prayer.

- Topic 1: School Data Review and 21st Century Global Competencies (2 hours)**
Entity Hosting: School Board
Facilitators: School Board Program Staff-Principals
Location: Home School
Audience: Grade 9-12 Teachers
Description: Teachers will analyze student data specific to their school, using guiding questions to facilitate discussions on credit accumulation, absenteeism, and student pathways. Through this activity, schools can identify strengths and areas for improvement, informing the development of their School Improvement and Equity Plan (SIEP) for the 2024/2025 academic year.
- Topic 2: Student Injury Prevention Training-Physical Education Teachers Part 1 (2 hours)**
Entity Hosting: School Board
Facilitators: OPHEA
Location: Kemptville Board Office
Audience: Grade 9-12 Physical and Health Education Teachers
Description: Physical and Health Education Teachers will gather at the Kemptville Board Office to participate in training facilitated by an OPHEA ambassador. The focus of the workshop will be to familiarize educators with the Ontario Physical Activity Safety Standards in Education (OPASSE) and to learn and explore OPHEA educator resources.
- Topic 3: Student Injury Prevention Training-Technology Teachers Part 1 (2 hours)**
Entity Hosting: School Board
Facilitators: Workplace Safety and Prevention Services (WSPS)
Location: St. Michael's CHS, Kemptville
Audience: Grade 9-12 Automotive, Construction, Welding, Hospitality and Tourism Teachers
Description: Selected Technology Teachers will participate in a training session by WSPS. The focus of the workshop will be for educators to review the most common sources of injuries in schools, reinforce awareness of legal responsibilities, and provide examples of hazard controls.
- Topic 4: Student Injury Prevention Training-Science Teachers Part 1 (2 hours)**
Entity Hosting: School Board
Facilitators: Science Teachers' Association of Ontario (STAO)
Location: St. Michael's CHS, Kemptville
Audience: Grade 9-12 Science Teachers
Description: One Science Lead from each school will participate in a training session related to Health and Safety in the science classroom. The focus of the interactive workshop will be to explore a "Survival Guide for Science Teachers" and tour a science storage area and inspect a chemistry classroom.

Topic 5: Exploring School Mental Health Ontario's Wayfinder (2 hours)
Entity Hosting: School Board
Facilitators: Selina Mackie, CDSBEO's Mental Health Lead Strategist
Location: St. Michael's CHS, Kemptville
Audience: Elementary and Secondary Student Support Workers
Description: SSWs will explore School Mental Health Ontario's *Wayfinder* resource and identify how these strategies and resources can be implemented with students.

LUNCH (45 minutes)

AFTERNOON

Topic 5: Supporting Skilled Trades and Experiential Learning in our Schools (2 hours)
Entity Hosting: School Board
Facilitators: Rok Gueye and Board Central Staff
Location: Home School
Audience: Grade 9-12 Teachers
Description: Rok Gueye is a carpenter with 10 years of experience in construction. She is the founding chair of the Sisters in the Brotherhood at Carpenters' Union Local 27. She is also a certified coach and mentor, public speaker, community organizer and entrepreneur. She will be sharing insights into how educators can support the skilled trades and encourage female students to enter this pathway. Educators will also explore ways to incorporate experiential learning opportunities into their subject areas. They will explore the essential job skills required for future careers and discuss strategies for preparing students to thrive in the professional world.

Topic 6: Student Injury Prevention Training-Physical Education Teachers Part 2 (2 hours)
Entity Hosting: School Board
Facilitators: OPHEA
Location: Kemptville Board Office
Audience: Grade 9-12 Physical and Health Education Teachers
Description: Physical and Health Education Teachers will gather at the Kemptville Board Office to participate in training facilitated by an OPHEA ambassador. The focus of the workshop will be to familiarize educators with the Ontario Physical Activity Safety Standards in Education (OPASSE) and to learn and explore OPHEA educator resources.

Topic 7: Student Injury Prevention Training-Technology Teachers Part 2 (2 hours)
Entity Hosting: School Board
Facilitators: Workplace Safety and Prevention Services (WSPS)
Location: St. Michael's CHS, Kemptville
Audience: Grade 9-12 Automotive, Construction, Welding, Hospitality and Tourism Teachers
Description: Selected Technology Teachers will participate in a training session by WSPS. The focus of the workshop will be for educators to review the most common sources of injuries in



schools, reinforce awareness of legal responsibilities, and provide examples of hazard controls.

- Topic 8: Student Injury Prevention Training-Science Teachers Part 2 (2 hours)**
Entity Hosting: School Board
Facilitators: Science Teacher's Association of Ontario (STAO)
Location: St. Michael's CHS, Kemptville
Audience: Grade 9-12 Science Teachers
Description: One Science Lead from each school will participate in a training session related to Health and Safety in the science classroom. The focus of the interactive workshop will be to explore a "Survival Guide for Science Teachers" and tour a science storage area and inspect a chemistry classroom.
- Topic 8: Indigenous Education is the Land**
Entity Hosting: School Board, Indigenous Education Consultants, Grad Coaches and Student Success Mentor
Facilitators: Indigenous Education Team: Melissa Mader-Tardif, Colby Demerchant, Stéphanie Nelson, Allen Smoke and Kaajuk Kablalik
Location: St. Gregory's, Carleton Place or Iona Academy, Williamstown
Audience: ECE's
Description: ECE's will gather for a regional session either at St. Gregory in Carleton Place or Iona Academy in Williamstown and will receive a copy of the 2nd edition of Natural Curiosity which supports a stronger basic awareness of Indigenous perspectives and their importance to environmental education. The Indigenous lens in this edition represents a cross-cultural encounter supporting what can become an ongoing dialogue and evolution of practice in environmental inquiry. Some important questions are raised that challenge us to think in very different ways about things as fundamental as the meaning of knowledge.
- Topic 9: Exploring Revised Child Protection Modules for K-12**
Entity Hosting: School Board
Facilitators: Dianne Gauthier
Location: St. Michael's CHS, Kemptville
Audience: Elementary and Secondary Student Support Workers
Description: Student Support Workers will be introduced to revisions made to CDSBEO's Child Protection Module Training for K-12 students. They will also review and update their tracking for this year's participation in the modules.

All staff will complete a Feedback Survey.

END OF DAY