



**Livingstone Range School Division/ ATA
Professional Development Newsletter
January 2016**



Welcome to the ATA/LRSD-PD newsletter. Each month we receive numerous emails regarding professional development opportunities and professional learning information. Sometimes a few of these don't get read or go astray and this newsletter is a reminder of upcoming workshops and ongoing supports.

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Inter school Collaboration Day

We have two more Interschool Collaboration Days
Friday, March 11th, Friday, April 22.

Why not consider hosting a conversation about something you are interested in and help provide the opportunity for staff to work with people outside of their school. Or perhaps think about using both days to support the work of an ongoing project.

Did you know, you can still access
Subject Advisory Committee Funds?
All you need to do to qualify is commit to
using 2 PD days for your project.

Our Interschool Collaboration Days are a result of your responses to the C2 survey in which staff indicated the need for more collaborative time and more choice in their own professional development.



Palliser's Teachers Convention



Palliser Teachers Convention will take place
February 18 & 19th
in Calgary
at the Telus Convention Center.

Speaker names, session times and dates are available now as the PDTC website:

<http://www.pdtca.org/>

Note: pre-registration will be open February 1st.

Looking for a movie or book to inspire?



I recently watched "Spare Parts" on Netflix and despite low reviews, I liked it. Have you read Freedom Writers (also a movie)? I also enjoyed Finding Forrester, August Rush, and others have recommended Music of the Heart and Good Will Hunting. And one can never forget Stand and Deliver, Dead Poets' Society or Lean on Me! Relax and get inspired.

Livingstone Range Local #14



Want local information on your C2 committee, past PD newsletters, scholarship information, etc: visit your Livingstone Range Local #14 website at
<http://www.lrata.com/>

If you notice any errors or omissions in this email, please contact me directly with your concern. If you have PD-related questions, feel free to chat with your School Rep. or email me directly and I'll try to help out. Lynda McGrattan-Wenlock, ATA PD Chair, mcgrattanwenlockl@lrtd.ab.ca or mcgwen0901@gmail.com



<https://sapdc.ca/en/welcome-to-sapdc>

**From Book storage to Learning Space
– Library to Learning Commons**
January 13: Lethbridge

**CTF Courses – From Planning to Assessment:
The Nose Creek School Experience**
Lethbridge: January 13- \$10

**Assessment – Building the Bridge
from Teaching to Learning**
Lethbridge: January 14—\$30

Emotional Intelligence
Lethbridge: January 20—\$30

**The Technology Disruption: Why Technology
Alone Won't Revolutionize Education**
Lethbridge - Enmax Centre: January 21

**Alberta Prejudice and Discrimination, and
Fostering Resilience in FNMI Students**
Lethbridge - SAPDC Learning Suite: January 21

Beginning Teachers—3 part Series
Lethbridge: January 23, February 13, March 5

Universal Design for Learning
Lethbridge - SAPDC Learning Suite: January 27

Framing Curriculum and Instruction as Inquiry
Lethbridge: January 28 — \$50

**Project Based Learning 101 for
the 21st Century Learner**
Claresholm: January 28 & 29 — \$150

Increasing student resilience
Lethbridge: February 1—\$30



Exploring the Historical Impacts of Treaty 7
Lethbridge: February 3—\$30

Supporting Positive Behaviors in Schools
Lethbridge: February 8—\$30

**Promoting the Success of Immigrant
Students and Families**
Lethbridge: February 8 — \$30

**Secondary Literacy – Supporting Learners in
Language Arts & Social Studies – Grade 6 - 9**
Lethbridge: February 11

SIVA - 2 Day Safety Training
Lethbridge - LC: February 11-12

**Alberta Teachers as Master Weavers –
How Do We Blend New Provincial Mandates
with Best Practices in our Classrooms?
Collaborative Conversations for Grades 1 – 3
French Immersion Teachers**
Lethbridge: SAPDC Learning Suite: February 12

**Developing Number through Literacy Links:
Tell Me a Story, Teach Me Some Math?**
Lethbridge: February 22, March 21, April 5

**Teaching Operations:
Addition/Subtraction/Place Value**
Lethbridge: February 23, March 22, April 6

**Teaching Operations:
Multiplication/Division Place Value**
Lethbridge: February 24, March 23, April 7

**We Want Kids To Be Creative
But How Do We Assess That?**
Lethbridge: March 3

Be sure to check the [SAPDC website](https://sapdc.ca/en/welcome-to-sapdc) for new registration procedure, times and locations.



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LRSD VC WORKSHOP SERIES

ALL LRSD EMPLOYEES WELCOME TO ATTEND!



If you see a session that interests you, simply email kuzyk@lrzd.ab.ca your intention to attend and you will be provided instructions on how to participate using your VC unit. Each session will run from 4:00-5:00 pm on Thursdays or upon request. Schools may also book a live session, please contact Chad for more details.

Online Resources: January 7

GAFE (Google Apps for Education):
January 21

iPads and Apps: February 11

Digital Citizenship: February 25

Check out link @ <http://www.lrsd.ca/Professional%20Development.php>

The **AAC website** supports students, teachers, schools and school divisions in the implementation of effective assessment practice. There are many resources, and templates to support assessment for learning.



www.aac.ab.ca

Also check out their **Performance / Project- Based Assessments** for every grade and every subject. Materials include Marking Rubrics, Student Self-assessment, Outcome Correlation, Competency Connections, and much, much more!

More info @ <http://www.aac.ab.ca/>



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How to access LRSD PD sites:

The shared/unrestricted PD site is on the main LRSD home page. Click on the blue 'staff' on the top ribbon, and the PD site will then appear on the left hand side of the directory.

If you are looking for more specific PD information, S.A.C. forms etc., log onto the 'intranet' using the 'BREEZE for teachers' sign-in at the bottom right of the LRSD home page.



The Alberta Teachers' Association

\$100 ATA Workshops, Courses, and Presentations

Are you interested in bringing an expert from the ATA to your school or to speak to your group? Topics include: Creating Positive classrooms and Schools, Enhancing Pedagogical Practice, Inclusive Classrooms, FNMI Success, Communities of Professional Practice, Understanding Mental Health Issues in our Schools, and many more! Sessions can be 2 hours or full day.

Visit ATA—Members Only - Professional Development - PD Programs & Service Guide (bottom link on page)
<http://www.teachers.ab.ca/SiteCollectionDocuments/ATA/For-Members/Programs-and-Services/Workshops%20Courses%20and%20Presentations/PD-79.pdf>

Remember, these sessions are very reasonably priced. Please chat with your school ATA representative.