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Greetings from EOCCC,

If you were among the many participants who attended EOCCC's 23rd annual Catholic Curriculum Conference, *Renewing the Promise/ Renouveler la promesse*, you would agree that our keynote speaker, Dr. Josephine Lombardi, was inspirational. Josie shared reflections on Who am I? To whom do I belong? and What is my purpose? linking these three themes to Gospel passages. One participant summed it up very well "Loved the guest speaker and her message of hope."



We had over 34 workshop presentations which highlighted Eastern Ontario teachers who bring our Catholic School Graduate Expectations alive in their classrooms. Chaque atelier a permis aux participants de recevoir des idées riches, des stratégies efficaces et des ressources qui permettent aux élèves de connaître un milieu d'apprentissage motivant.

Here's what some of our delegates had to say!

- "Importance of linking and celebrating acts of kindness back to Jesus."
- "L'animateur pour l'atelier sur l'approche neurolinguistique était excellent! Il a partagé de très bonnes idées. Ça m'a donné confiance en ce que je fais déjà!"



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"Whenever we encounter another person in love, we learn something new about God."

*~Evangelii Gaudium, The Joy of the Gospel,
Pope Francis*

- "Wonderful to see how to integrate Religion across the Kindergarten program rather than teaching as a distinct subject."
- "Linking teachings of the Catholic Church with Indigenous cultures – awareness of the connections for sharing forward – reconciliation – awesome package to take away!"
- "I loved the concept of planning a full week of math and how to build on concepts throughout the year – students don't need to know / understand right away. The videos are REAL – reminiscent of my daily classroom struggles."



If you have not attended this conference in the past, mark your calendar for next year – April 4, 2019 at the Nav Centre in Cornwall, Ontario.

Make sure you visit our website eoccc.org to view this year's conference photos and power point presentations.



A special thank you to Mike Gundert of ALCDSB for taking great photos at all of our EOCCC events!

"Catholic Education: Serving in the Love of Christ"

Have you been on our website in the last week?

The math videos for grades 1 to 8 are now posted and include annotated lessons that allow teachers to plan for a 300 minute math cycle.



This EOCCC project was developed in partnership with The Ministry of Education. Our team included Alison Macaulay, Lead for Mathematics from the Curriculum and Assessment Policy Branch, and Grant Minkhorst, Education Officer with the Ministry of Education.

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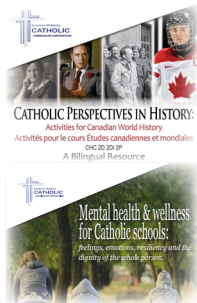
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catholiccurriculumcorp.org

Summer Writing Projects

Are you interested in being part of one of our writing teams? This summer we are developing a Kindergarten-Math resource. We are looking for a team of teachers and ECE to be part of this working group.

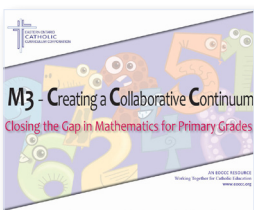


Our Grade 10 History resource *Catholic Perspectives in History* team of writers will add some Indigenous lesson units to the existing bilingual resource.

The EOCCC *Mental Health and Wellness* resource will be updated to include additional curriculum units to help address mental health and wellness in grades K to 8.

We will also be expanding our primary and junior Math resource *M3 - Creating A Collaborative Continuum*, to include grade 7 to 9. Our primary and junior resources have been available to you since the fall of 2017. Both resources have live links so it is best to use them online. The team has recently added exemplars for various tasks.

Here's what a few of our Catholic principals have to say about the resource:



"This year at St. Paul Catholic School, part of our RMS plan was to use PRIME Assessment as well as UDL guidelines. Given the various levels within our combined classes, the EOCCC Math resources (Creating a Collaborative Continuum for Primary and Junior Classes) were well-used resources for staff aiming to meet the needs of all students."

Lisa McDonald
St. Paul Catholic School, ALCDSB



"The resource is terrific in division based PLC's because it is designed to allow teachers to see the work they are doing from a division perspective and to collaborate and see how the expectations scaffold moving from one grade to another. It is something teachers can use right out of the box, but it also provides them with a model to design their own parallel tasks."

Rory Donohue
St Thomas the Apostle, RCCDSB

For additional details or to apply as a writer, please visit the home page on our eoccc.org website. Deadline for applications is May 14, 2018.

All the best for a wonderful end to the school year.

Spring blessings,

Charlotte Rouleau

EOCCC Executive Director

As Catholic educators, we have our mission. Education is a life-long experience leading us forth from where we are, to where God would have us be, in the example of Jesus. We ask God to help us to deepen our knowledge and understanding, our awareness and sensitivity, and our discipleship and our serving others in God's name.