

Metro North (Burnaby) Start UP! Series 2015 intermediate/Middle workshop descriptions:

ONLINE VIDEO UPDATE – We could not record Day 1 (storm), but you can view day 2 & 3.

Get Day 1 workshops at the Metro South Series in Surrey.

[StartUP! The First Week of School - Ray Myrtle will be on Sept 12th in the afternoon.

[Tammy Wirick will offer PE again on October 3rd.

To register go to <http://bit.ly/startupreg>

Sunday, August 30th – AM session – Not recorded- watch on Sept 12 PM.

StartUP! The First Week of School - Ray Myrtle

Are you new to starting a class? Start Up! your year prepared and confident. Learn the most important things to focus on when you begin. Get The First Week of School, a 33-page booklet of lesson suggestions, strategies, ideas and checklists for your first week with your new class. Why re-invent the wheel? Build your network of resource people and early career colleagues as you learn tested ways of building routines, quickly assessing students, and building a task-orientated atmosphere. Join more than 1000 early career teachers who have attended and recommend this workshop.

Ray Myrtle is passionate about supporting early career teachers and has led the development of Start UP! He has taught gr. 4,5,6 for 21 years and sometimes TTOCs in Burnaby to keep in touch with real work, kids, schools and teachers.

Sunday, August 30th – PM session

StartUP! Your PE Class - Tammy Wirick Gr. 4-9 (NOT WEBCAST – watch on Oct.3rd.)

Planning and teaching Physical Education can be daunting from both a management and curricular perspective. In this session, you will gain a repertoire of practical activities for Physical Education, management strategies and tools for planning an effective short and long term program. Come prepared to be active and change your thinking about what Physical Education means to you.

Tammy Wirick is a former PE and Health program consultant (Burnaby School District). She presently works in SFU PDP program

Monday, August 31st – morning session

StartUP! Your Social Studies Class - Lori Villeneuve

Implementing Inquiry in Social Studies

In this StartUP! session, you will learn how to implement INQUIRY into the Social Studies curriculum at the intermediate, middle or high school grade levels. This is a step-by-step guide to the inquiry process, which engages all learners, requires minimal

preparation and no after hours marking.

Lori is a grade 7 teacher at Yorkson Creek middle school in Langley. She has taught in an upper intermediate classroom for the last 20 years and is always looking for new ways to engage students in their own learning. Lori has presented at myPITA and New Teachers conferences.

Monday, August 31st – afternoon session

StartUP! Your French Class- Stacey Sviestrup

Fun Ideas for Teaching French

This Core French workshop will focus on purposeful, engaging, and meaningful strategies to use in Core French classrooms. Teachers will learn some fun ways to develop students' French oral language skills. Games, songs, and sample mini-units will be shared as well as activities that can be adapted for various themes.

A literacy-based approach, some Intensive French methodology, and tried-and-true activities will be presented. Regardless of abilities in French, teachers will gain strategies to implement new and fun ideas immediately in their classrooms.

Stacey Sviestrup will be starting a new position as the Modern Languages Consultant in Vancouver in September. She is an experienced Intensive French instructor as well as an elementary Core French teacher. She has been a School Advisor for several UBC Teacher Candidates, she is on the BCATML Executive, and she has worked for Pearson Canada developing new Core French materials. In the past year she has also been working on the new Core French Curriculum with the Ministry of Education. She is passionate about teaching French and enjoys sharing her ideas with others.

Tuesday, September 1st - morning session

StartUP! Your Reading Class - Elaine Jaltema

Using Literature Circles to Turn Kids into Readers

Discover how to create avid readers and cover reading and oral language PLOs with no preparation or after-school marking. Students are excited to discuss the juicy issues in the books and typically read far more than they ever have before, while developing comprehension, critical thinking and social skills. Participants will be given access to myPITA's chapter summaries and tests for hundreds of novels to be used for literature circles and individual reading.

Elaine Jaltema received the first Premier's Award for Teaching Excellence in Literacy and is the President of myPITA. She teaches intermediate classes in Burnaby and is the mother of three grown sons. She is passionate about empowering struggling learners and inspiring students to become life-long readers.

Tuesday, September 1st - afternoon session

Start UP! Your Language Arts Class- Deborah Borgenstrom

Starting the Writers Workshop

Learn about the writers workshop model and how to launch and build it with your class. We will introduce the components of the model, provide suggestions for the sequence of lessons and samples, and suggest some of the ways you can use the writers workshop process to differentiate instruction to meet the needs of all learners. We will focus on non-fiction writing and integrating the writers' workshop with a social studies unit with lessons on construction of sentences, paragraphs and essays as an example depending upon the grade.

Deborah is currently a Grade 6/7 teacher at South Slope Elementary in Burnaby. She is passionate about Literacy holding a Master Degree in Language and Literacy Development and Leadership from UBC. This led to work as a Literacy Helping Teacher for 4 years and then to the District Mentorship Committee in Burnaby. With 10 years of workshop experience she enjoys the professional conversations that support, engage and move students forward in their learning.

Saturday, September 12th - morning session

StartUP! Your Math Class - Ann-Marie Hunter (Register through Metro South Series in Surrey- in person or webcast)

Building Math Confidence Fosters Success

How often do you hear from students, "I can't do Math" or "I'm just not good at Math"? These attitudes can greatly interfere with students' success in Math learning! As their teacher, you are one of the prime influences on your students and you can help them to revamp their attitudes to help them to become successful Math learners! This workshop will offer strategies to reduce Math anxiety in students.

We will discuss how to focus on individual needs and how to use hands-on tools to strengthen Basic Skills. Strategies presented are designed to build student confidence, helping students to be more engaged and successful in Math. The program Mastering the Basics, from Trevor Calkins' Power of Ten program, will be reviewed. (Mastering the Basics is now available in French).

Ann-Marie Hunter, from Kamloops, started her teaching career as a high school Math teacher and once she transferred to intermediate grades, she never looked back! Ann-Marie thoroughly enjoyed being the Math 'Go-to' person in the elementary setting, helping to foster the love of Mathematics! Ann-Marie finds the amazing spirit of Grade 4 – 8 students to be inspiring. Teaching them provides a wonderful opportunity to help children become confident learners; in particular, she strives to help all kids love Math!

Saturday, September 12th - afternoon session

StartUP! The First Week of School - Ray Myrtle-Afternoon Session (register through Metro South -Surrey Series in person or webcast)

This workshop will help you start & manage your class as a TTOC or on a contract. The lessons needed to start up your own class are completely adaptable to working as a TTOC. In this workshop you will learn effective lessons to reduce classroom management issues. You will find help in developing an overall strategy and specific techniques to reduce conflict and deal with it smoothly. Learn how to do the important things and what to leave for later during the first days with your new class, as well as what to watch for to learn the most from observing experienced teachers. Get "The First Week of School", a 33 pg. booklet of lesson suggestions, strategies, ideas, blacklines and checklists. Start the year prepared and confident.

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Start UP! Your Science Class – The "Whys" and "Hows" of Science - Bill Morphett

Do you miss the days when every science question you have ever had was answered by Bill Nye or Ms. Frizzle? Are you in awe of their engaging active lessons? In this workshop, we will walk through a unit on ecology that has applicable and useful activities and strategies for grades 4 -10. We will demonstrate and share activities and examine the prescribed learning outcomes together as we lay out 20 lessons of an introductory Science Unit. As an added bonus teachers will receive a CD with ideas and activities for teaching science.

Bill Morphett is a Learning Support Teacher in school district 43 (Coquitlam). In this role he supports classroom teachers by working with them and for them as they improve their practice. He has been a faculty associate at SFU and has worked as a science teacher in Coquitlam at all grade levels. He has worked with McGraw Hill on their general science and biology texts. He has designed and run several behaviour support programs and has a desire to reach all learners and help them to achieve their goals.