### **Surrey Start UP! Series 2015**

### Intermediate/Middle workshop descriptions:

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Saturday, September 12th - morning session (both cohorts)

StartUP! Your Math Class - Ann-Marie Hunter

#### **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 <u>Basic Skills</u>. Strategies presented are designed to build student confidence, helping students to be more engaged and successful in Math. The program <u>Mastering the Basics</u>, from Trevor Calkins' Power of Ten program, will be reviewed. (Mastering the Basics is now available in <u>French</u>).

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!

Lunch: TTOC Toolkit Panel Q & A, & Introduction of the Early Career Teachers PSA.

# Saturday, September 12th - afternoon sessions (Surrey cohort)

#### StartUP! The First Week of School - Ray Myrtle

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.

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.

Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> - afternoon session (Metro North-Burnaby cohort or alternative session for 1 day registrants if you have already been to Ray's workshop)

#### 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.

# Saturday, September 19th – morning session

### Start UP! Your Language Arts Class: Writing Power – Adrienne Gear

In this half day session teacher, consultant and author Adrienne Gear will outline how to set up an effective writing program. She will share lessons, student samples and recommended anchor books you can use to inspire the best writing from your students. Adrienne will model how to organize your weekly writing schedule based on the writing process and show samples of her students' writing folders. Come to this session and leave feeling confident and inspired to teach writing!

Adrienne Gear is a well known BC author and workshop presenter who is passionate about literacy and learning. She continues to teach two days and week in Vancouver as well as present workshops both locally and internationally. She is the author of four books on literacy: Reading Power, Nonfiction Reading Power, Writing Power and Nonfiction Writing Power (Pembroke Publishing)

# Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> – afternoon 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.

### Saturday September 26th - morning session

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# Saturday September 26<sup>th</sup> - afternoon session

# StartUP! Your Social Studies Class- Deborah Borgenstrom

### Implementing Differentiated Instruction in Social Studies

In this StartUP session, you will learn how to differentiate instruction to meet the needs of many learners through the questioning process of Inquiry learning. You will learn to develop mini lessons in reading and writing workshop to teach the skill of research and critical thinking so that your learners are able to write complete sentence, power paragraphs and essays that show their opinions using evidence from text. Your

students will learn to ask questions, gather, interpret and communicate their findings and decisions in ways that support their level of learning.

Deborah is currently a Grade 6/7 teacher at South Slope Elementary in Burnaby. Deborah 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, October 3<sup>rd</sup> – morning 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 Sveistrup 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.

# Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> – afternoon session (NOT Webcast)

### StartUP! Your PE Class - Tammy Wirick Gr. 4-9

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.

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