RICHMOND
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.38

What Is Happening on a Professional Development Day?

Professional Learning is important for all staff members of the Richmond School District. Our focus on the learner is intended to create successful and engaged students in our schools, as well as **fostering a professional learning community for teachers, support staff, administrators, managers and district staff.**

The BC Public School Employer's Association states: One of the hallmarks of a profession is its commitment to ensuring that **its members engage in a process of continuous learning** so that they can maintain the professional standards and stay current with new knowledge and best practices. Professional development also plays an important role in keeping a profession's members motivated and interested in innovation.

Professional learning opportunities for staff are offered during professional development days and instructional time, as well as after school and evening sessions. **Opportunities throughout the year are intended to support professional learning** and build capacity for educators in working specifically with the redesigned curriculum.

EXAMPLES OF WHAT WE ARE UP TO

Quality Teaching in Inclusive Classrooms and Schools: Professional Learning Networking Series (PLN)

This series brings groups of educators together in a community to deeply focus on the quality of teaching and learning, focusing on elements of the new curriculum. All sessions include an opening keynote by Faye Brownlie, followed by short demonstration teacher-led sessions where current classroom practices are shared in a collaborative context with colleagues.

With the focus on quality teaching to guide instruction and support learning, this series will deepen the work of teachers and schools staffs.

Math Focus Days

There will be two afternoon Elementary Focus Days. These afternoon sessions will be open to schools with numeracy goals or a professional learning focus in this area. The afternoons will include a variety of sessions facilitated by Richmond teachers.

Technology Focus Days

The Technology Focus Days will be on professional development days. Each day will provide staff an opportunity to learn a variety of ways they can integrate technology into their curriculum. Sessions will be lead by district teachers and staff and will provide ideas that integrate various tech tools, in transformative ways, within various school settings.

*More specific information for your child's school is available through school newsletters and or your school website.