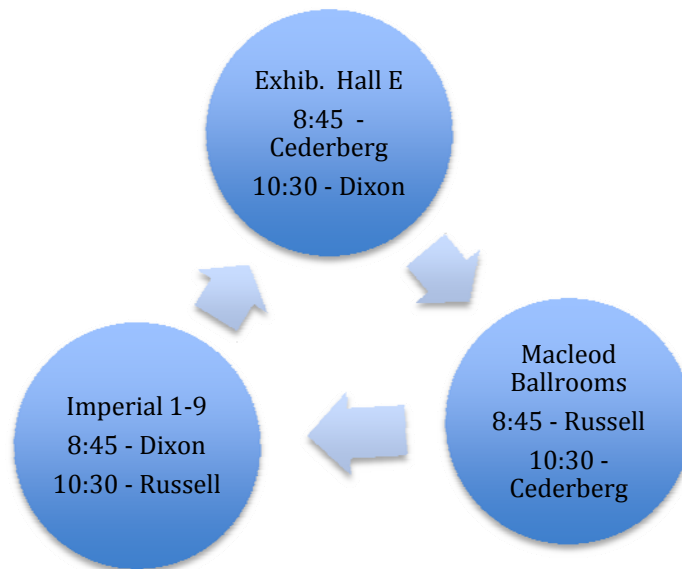


Program Chair Report
January 16th & 17th, 2015
Submitted by Andrea Craigie

- With the move to wristbands, there will be NO paper, at-a-glance programs provided to individuals this year. All delegates must find sessions at pdtca.org or Sched.org (200+ sessions!)
- Thursday Featured Speakers (Keynotes):
 - Michelle Cederberg – Energized for Excellence in Education
 - Dr. Ed Dixon – Helping Boys Learn – Six Secrets for Teaching Boys in the Classroom
 - Dr. Alex Russell – That Big, Bad World: Helping Kids Thrive in Anxious Times
 - *there are also a three full day and one french immersion session beginning during these time slots (check website for details)

- Keynote Rotations:



- Other Featured Speakers:
 - Eva Olssen – Creating a Legacy of Caring, Compassion and Character
 - Dylan William (2 sessions) – Preparing Students for a World We Cannot Imagine and Classroom Formative Assessment Techniques
 - Robb Nash Project – Re-Discovering Your Why
 - Mark Ramsankar – Coffee with the President
- Pre-Registration begins February 1 and closes February 13
 - 25 sessions requiring pre-reg
 - Can ONLY be done via pdtca.org site
 - Any session with a participant fee is collected cash-on-site (exact change required)
- ATA Sessions:
 - Supporting Beginning Teachers for School Based Administrators
 - Questions School Principals Ask Member Services

- The Professional Implications of Curriculum Initiatives
- LGBTQ 101
- My Pension, My Investment, My Future
- Addressing Aboriginal Learner Outcomes
- Student Learning Assessments: Results of the First Pilot Round and Next Steps
- Glen 206 is French Immersion Room
 - FI Sessions start Thursday at 10:30am
- Off Site Sessions:
 - Canmore Nordic Centre (Cross-Country Skiing)
 - Talisman Centre Pool (Kayaking)
 - Foothills Composite High School (Wood Turning 101 and 102)
 - Stampede Park ("Journey 2050" – Growing Responsibly)
 - EPCOR Centre
 - Photography, Bollywood Dance, Song Writing, Improv, School Productions, Altered Books and "Fun With Soft Wax and Kool Aid!"
- Ed Camp Style Sessions
 - Drop in Friday Morning starting at 8am (- 10:15)
 - Also Friday afternoon (1:30-2:45)
- NEW! Full Day Sessions:
 - Thursday – Educator Innovation Day
 - Thursday and Friday – Outdoor Council of Canada – Leadership (Level I)
 - Thursday in CTCC, Friday in Kananaskis
- Canadian Blood Services
 - "What's Your Type" booth in Pre-Con area, Thursday
- Sched.Org App Site (pdtca2015.sched.org)
 - Program is fully loaded into Sched
 - Delegates CANNOT pre-register via Sched but can sync their choices to their device
 - Delegates should NOT create a Sched profile using their full first and last name, if concerned about privacy / being searchable, etc.
- Wireless Internet
 - There are several sessions where presenters are asking participants to bring their devices. We need to communicate to our delegates internet is NOT provided and they need to make their own arrangements, purchasing from the CTCC and/or the Hyatt.
 - Providing internet to everyone would cost the Board in excess of \$65 000 (if people ask)
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