

# First Nation Student Success Program Conference

Prince Arthur Hotel - Thunder Bay, ON  
December 1, 2 & 3, 2010

## ***Draft Program***

### **Literacy Development and Evaluations – Lori Morris**

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Lori Morris will be presenting on her experience with evaluating and developing literacy for First Nation and Innu communities. Lori Morris is an Associate Professor of Linguistics at the Université du Québec à Montréal. She has extensive experience in the evaluation of first and second language abilities of Innu and Cree speakers in Quebec and Labrador.

**Suggested audience:** Education Directors, Principals, and Teachers

### **High School Lessons Learned - Desta Buswa & Kevin Kakegamic, Moderators**

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Come hear from Keewaytinook Internet High School, Kwayaciiwin Education Resource Centre, Dennis Franklin Cromarty and Pelican Falls First Nations High School as they describe how they have been working towards reaching year 2 targets of FNSSP within their schools. Focus will be given to Literacy, Numeracy, Student Retention and Data Collection.

**Suggested audience:** Education Directors, Principals, and Teachers with on-reserve secondary schools

### **Dadavan Training – Angus Miles and Jesse Fiddler**

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This session is designed to provide the Community Liaison workers with more training in the Dadavan system.

**Suggested audience:** Community Liaison workers

### **Not Just Another Math Book! (Jump Math) – Frank Hovi**

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JUMP Math is based upon the principle that ALL students can have success with Mathematics. Key features include guided practice and direct instruction by the teacher. Support materials such as teacher guides, assessments, and blackline masters are available at no cost to

teachers. JUMP Math is operated as a charitable organization and was founded by Canadian playwright and Order of Canada companion John Mighton.

**Suggested audience:** Education Directors, Principals, and Teachers

### **Math Strategies for the Secondary School Levels - Peter Wyspianski**

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Mr. Wyspianski will be reviewing various strategies to improve engagement and results regarding math at the secondary school level.

**Suggested audience:** Education Directors, Principals, and Teachers

### **How We Can Use Assessment to Improve School Outcomes – Doug Rogers**

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Mr. Rogers will demonstrate in some detail how the progress of students in their school learning is quicker when teachers practice contemporary and specific assessment and how there is more to measuring the performance of a school than measures of academic achievement.

**Suggested audience:** Education Directors, Principals, and Teachers

### **Intermediate and Senior Level Assessments – KIHS & CAT4**

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Mr. Potter, Keewatinook Internet High School, will be presenting on the assessment tools that they use and their experiences with them. Ms. Platt, CAT4, will be presenting on the new CAT4 test and the improvements that were made.

**Suggested audience:** Education Directors, Principals, and Teachers with intermediate and secondary levels

### **Student Retention & Parental Involvement – Frank Hovi and Florence Sanderson**

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Frank and Florence will be presenting on the best practices for improving student retention and parental involvement on First Nations. Student retention and parental involvement are key to improving literacy and numeracy results.

**Suggested audience:** Education Directors, Principals, and Teachers

## **ELDERS Project – Peter Wyspianski**

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**Suggested audience:**

## **Using Smart Boards Offline – Pat Brown**

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Pat Brown will give a presentation on how to use a Smart Board offline. Since power and internet connection disruptions occur occasionally in the north, it becomes necessary to use Smart Board offline.

**Suggested audience:** Education Directors, Principals, and Teachers

## **Sharing Our Success**

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Three FNSSP projects from neighbouring territories will share their best practices and experiences regarding their respective projects. The three FNSSP projects are Sandy Lake, Kenjegin Teg Education Institute, and Anishinaabeg of Kabapikotawangag.

**Suggested audience:** Education Directors, Principals, Teachers, Community Liaison workers, and others

## **FNSSP Meeting Place and Video Conferencing – Jesse Fiddler & Lyle Johnson**

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Mr. Fiddler will provide an introduction to the FNSSP Meeting Place website, [www.fnssp.knet.ca](http://www.fnssp.knet.ca)  
Mr. Fiddler will review the various material that is available on the website as well as how to register and participate on the Meeting Place.

Mr. Johnson will provide a presentation on effective use of video conferencing equipment. Mr Johnson will review the best practice regarding the use of the hardware and things to keep in mind when video conferencing.

**Suggested audience:** Education Directors, Principals, Teachers, Community Liaison workers, and others

### **Education Directors Planning Session – Gerry Kerr**

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Mr. Kerr will be leading a discussion on the various possibilities and options that may be available after year 3 of the FNSSP.

### **Community Liaison Planning Session – Willow Fiddler**

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The community liaison workers will be given an opportunity to share their best practices with each other and network.

### **Principals Planning Session (Year 3 work plan) – Frank Hovi**

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Mr. Hovi will be reviewing the FNSSP Year 3 work plan with the principals.