Resources & Networking for TOCs

OCTOBER 05, 2011

Agenda Overview

- Welcome & Introductions
- How Was Your September?
- Making the Most of the TOC Experience
- Your Emergency Lesson Plan
- TOC Resources
- Closing Follow up & Feedback

Warming Up

Look around the room and make eye contact with someone you don't know

Sit with that person & ask

- o Their name & role/school
- A passion they have
- o One thing they would like from this workshop

Peer to Peer Support Consultants

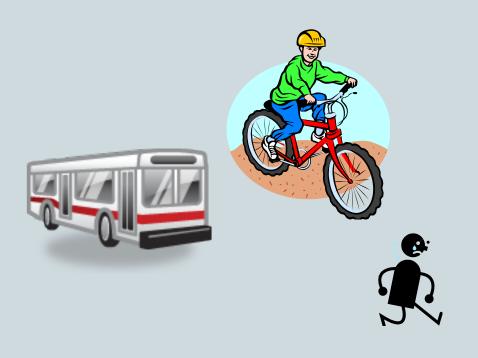
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Commuter Line Up

Please form a line according to how far you traveled to get here this afternoon.





How Was Your September?

Take a bit of time to reflect on the following two questions and make a few quick notes.

As a TOC, or in another teaching role, what has been:

- your BEST experience?
- your MOST CHALLENGING experience?

Advantages of Being a TTOC

Logistically

- It "opens the door," and lets you build connections.
- Often the route to a full-time position.
- It gives you a flexible working schedule.

Advantages of Being a TTOC

Professionally

- Daily professional development.
- You are able to observe a variety of classroom and school environments.
- It is interesting and challenging work, offering the chance to exercise your knowledge and creativity.
- It provides the opportunity to experiment with different teaching strategies and to become familiar with a variety of resources.

Your Professional Learning Journey

Think "Apprenticeship"

- Link into formal Pro-D
 - o VSB
 - Metro Vancouver
 - O BCTF & PSA
- Do your own informal Pro-D
 - Reading
 - Observations
 - Online Resources
- Reflect Keep a learning "journal"

Build Rapport

- Greet students as they arrive
- Make connections between you & them
- Plan for fun
- Be genuine share yourself
- Be consistent and follow through
- Be fair, not equal

Modeling the Behaviour You Want

- Be in class, prepared, well organized & on time
- Use respectful language
- Remain calm, don't lose it!
- Leave your problems at home
- Be honest & genuine

Your Emergency Lesson Plan

BRAINSTORM

What are the components of a quality TOC survival kit?

TOC Resources

TTOC Advice (BCTF handbook)

Classroom Management (BCTF handbook)

Renovating My Classroom

VSTA TOC Rep - John Silver <u>jsilver@vsb.bc.ca</u> VESTA TOC Rep - Nancy Hawkins <u>nancy@vesta.ca</u>

BCTF TOC Listserve

 Contact <u>listsupport@bctf.ca</u> and ask to be added to the toc-talk list serve

Upcoming Opportunities

Oct 13th "Newer Secondary Teachers" at John Oliver

Oct 21st Provincial Pro-D Day – PSAs

Oct 26th "Teacher Blogs" at John Oliver

Nov 9th "Newer English Teachers" at John Oliver

Mar 2nd & 3rd "BCTF New Teacher Conference" at the Radisson Hotel in Richmond

Self Reflection

- What are your needs?
- Think about who/how you can access for support in these areas.

Closing

- Thanks for your active participation.
- Please complete an evaluation form.