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Updated Guidelines: Non-medical Masks on the School Bus

Parents/guardians have been reminded that all students age 5 and up are now required to wear a non-medical mask on the school bus as part of the updates to the health and safety guidelines set by Yukon's Chief Medical Officer of Health. To view the updated health and safety guidelines for school bus operations, please visit: yukon.ca/bus-covid-19. This update does not impact non-medical mask use for students at school. At school, students age 10 and older are required to wear a non-medical mask depending on the area or activity as outlined in the [Guidelines for K-12 School Settings](#) and schools' operational plans (available on each school's website).

Assessment and Reporting

Grades 4 and 7 Yukon Foundation Skills Assessment (YFSA)

The YFSA's will begin on January 18 and run until February 26. Questions?: Nikki.Krocker@gov.yk.ca.

Information and links can be found on the Educators' Portal [website](#) by scrolling to the bottom of the page.

YFSA online after school support sessions will run January 11-14 from 3:15 – 4:00 at

yukonedu.zoom.us/j/81710326698.

Graduation Assessments: Grade 10 Numeracy and Literacy Assessments

The Grade 10 Numeracy and Literacy Assessments are upcoming January 25-29, 2021.

Visit TEAMS for important details on these [Grade 10 Literacy](#) and [Grade 10 Numeracy](#) Assessments.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Tanya.Lewis@gov.yk.ca.

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January 15 PD Day Update

For those of you that have a PD day on January 15 (most Yukon schools) and have some unplanned times throughout the day, there are some offerings compiled, both live and on-demand, by Yukon Education and the YTA. So far, presenters will include keynote speaker Dr. Jody Carrington, 8 EdTech Team Blended Learning live presentations, Professor Peter Liljedahl, Fountas & Pinnell Consultants, and many more. There will be sessions on Blended Learning, Trauma Informed Care, Literacy, Numeracy, Minecraft, GooseChase Edu, Digital Assessment, Kahoot and Gaming in the classroom, O365 and Google Classroom, Google Geo Tools, Design Thinking, and more. You can explore the preliminary schedule [here](#). More sessions are still to come.

Communicating Student Learning Professional Learning Sessions

A series of short, focused Communicating Student Learning sessions will be offered after school beginning January 26th, 2021 for K-12 Educators. There are separate sessions for K-7 and 8-12 Educators. Please view details in [Primary](#), [Intermediate](#), and [Secondary](#) TEAMS. If you are not on TEAMS and would like more information, please contact Tanya.Lewis@gov.yk.ca.

Numeracy Learning Recovery: Assessing with Intention in Math for Early Kindergarten to Grade 8, LATs, Numeracy Support Teachers and New Teachers

Interested in straightforward and diagnostics that uncover your students' understanding?

Want to reveal foundational misunderstandings at older grade levels?

Want to implement tasks that intentionally address specific numeracy concepts? Log into TEAMS

([Primary](#), [Intermediate](#) or [Secondary](#)) to view after school sessions on Assessing with Intention put on through BCAMT. The first session is January 20, 3:30-4:30 online.

Visible Learning Annual Conference 2021 by Corwin

The 2021 Annual Visible Learning Conference is now virtual and is on July 20-23, 2021. [Register now](#).

Successful Goal Setting Webinar by Connect2Learning

Join us on January 13, 2021 for a free webinar. In this webinar, we will help you in making realistic and achievable goals that motivate both teachers and students. [More info](#).

Resources for Educators

ShareEdBC

As you know, ShareEdBC is an online platform that provides Educators across the BC and Yukon access to curated content aligned with BC's curriculum. Go to www.shareedbc.ca, login with your Yesnet credentials, explore resources, and contribute the growing curated collection. ** Yukon Teachers that contribute resources on the ShareEdBC website before March 1, 2021, can earn up to \$75 for each approved resource they contribute. These funds could be used to purchase classroom materials, organise special events and more.

Sovereign Soil

Sovereign Soil is a locally produced Yukon film about the cultivation of food in the North. The film is available free through the National Film Board's website in both [French](#) and [English](#). The film is accompanied by a digital mini-lesson in both [French](#) and [English](#).

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Meet Your Money

Meet Your Money is a financial literacy book created to help guide and inform young adults on basic financial literacy. The book covers items such as bank accounts, building your credit scores, mortgages, understanding credit cards, taxes and many more items.

More info? melissaruco@gmail.com or 780-668-5682.

Other Opportunities for School

Autism Yukon: Online Interactive Discussions

Tuesdays, 7-9 PM, Jan. 19 – Feb. 23. For parents, youth and young adults who want to explore the transition into adulthood: housing, work, education, relationships, fulfillment, finances. To register call 867-667-6406 or email projectcoordinator@autismyukon.org

Virtual Youth Forum on Climate Action for Grades 7-12

From January 13 – February 18th. Including interactive student workshops, PD workshops for teachers, and action project funding. Register now: [Virtual Youth Forum on Climate Action](#)

Yukon Women in Trades and Technology Power Up! For Girls in Grades 8-12

Free skilled trades programming for girls in grades 8-12. Mondays or Tuesdays after school from January 18 – March 9. Registration is now open @ www.yukonwitt.org/programming.

Action Items for Consideration

- To view the updated health and safety guidelines for school bus operations, visit: yukon.ca/bus-covid-19
- Join a YFSA online after school [support sessions in Zoom](#) any day from Jan. 11-14 from 3:15 – 4:00.
- Visit TEAMS for important details on these [Grade 10 Literacy](#) and [Grade 10 Numeracy](#) Assessments.
- Consider engaging in a [professional learning opportunity](#) with colleagues including on the [Jan. 15 PD Day](#).
- Contact Tanya.Lewis@gov.yk.ca to register for PD with Peter Liljedah on the January 15 PD Day as invited by Hidden Valley School
- Check out the featured [resources](#) this week including [Sovereign Soil](#).
- Additional Fountas & Pinnell Implementation Support Webinar Registration: [Jan 13th | 4pm EST](#), [Jan 13th | 6pm EST](#)
- Share the info in [Other Opportunities For Schools](#) with your students.

Some Reminders from Previous Updates

- Learning Together program educators and rural primary educators are asked to reach out through Michelle.Gillard@gov.yk.ca for support.
- Whitehorse primary educators are asked to reach out through Flora.Asp@gov.yk.ca for support.
- Contribute a resource to the www.shareEdBC.ca collection and earn up to \$75 in classroom resources.
- Check out the links and contact bsherry@takingitglobal.org for Virtual Field Trips or to engage with an Indigenous Role Model. Website: <https://connectednorth.org/en/>. Online Session Menu: [English](#) or [French](#)
- Register for the Apple Virtual Teaching and Learning with iPad Series [English](#) [French](#).
- [Collaborate with colleagues](#), including BC educator Mike Pruner, on assessing the competencies in math on January 13 from 4:30 PM – 6 PM.

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- Consider joining the NOIE Jan. 18 event with Kath Murdoch, the author of *The Power of Inquiry*, will be the speaker of this NOIE event. Here's a [link](#) to express your interest in attending.
- Register for [EdCamp](#) and join colleagues about the Core Competencies on Jan. 23 @
- Participate in the [Inclusive and Special Education Review](#) that is open until January 24.
- RSVP for the Online Info Session: [Ed Leadership: Leading for Educational Change in the Yukon EdD Cohort Program](#) taking place on February 18.
- View the [updated Math First People \(Elementary and Secondary\)](#).
- Review the Laser Cutter Resources Page which includes the [Laser Cutter Schedule](#) and FAQs as there is a location shift soon.
- Visit the Yukon Education Resource Services [Digital Resources page](#).
- [What Happens If There is a COVID-19 Case Connected to a School?](#)
- [Roles and Responsibilities if a COVID-19 Case is Connected to a School](#)
- Review the updated guidelines for K-12 school settings are now posted on [Yukon.ca](#).
- Check out resources built for you: [Educator Update Archive](#), [Educators' Place](#) and [YESNet Portal](#).

Quick Education Links for 2020-21 School Year

- [Education updates and supports on COVID-19](#)
- [Updated 2020-21 school calendar important dates](#)
- [Find your school operational plan](#)
- [School bus information and schedules](#)
- [Health and safety guidelines for K-12 school settings](#)

Quick Links to Resources on COVID-19 Related Topics

- [COVID-19 Directive 6](#)
- [Non-medical masks in the workplace](#)
- [How to wear a non-medical mask poster](#)
- [Mental health and wellness supports](#)
- [COVID-19 Self-Assessment](#)
- [Talking and Sharing with Kids and Families on COVID-19](#)
- [COVID-19 and teenagers: Supporting Youth Mental Wellness](#)
- [COVID-19 counselling and crisis support](#)
- [Practice Safe 6](#)
- [Wellness Together Canada](#)
- [Yukon information on COVID-19](#)
- [Canada response and Health Canada information](#)
- [Council of Yukon First Nations](#)