



Education

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## INVITATION to TEACHERS

**Gain a Deeper Understanding of Standards-Based Learning, Grading and Reporting**

**Ken O'Connor**

**Thursday, September 6 (Intermediate Focus) – Yukon Inn**

**Friday, September 7 (Secondary Focus) – Vanier Catholic Secondary School**

Yukon Education, Vanier Catholic School, and the Yukon Teachers Association are excited to present a professional learning opportunity with Ken O'Connor. Whether you are just getting started with Standards-Based Learning, Grading and Reporting (SLBGR) or are looking to take your practice to another level, Ken will provide a simple and accessible framework for moving ahead. Ken will focus on guidelines for SBLGR, including purpose, learning standards, performance scales, learning skills/work habits, and student/parent involvement. Examples of SBLGR will be shared and participants will have opportunities to discuss the principles and practicality of implementation, including hot button issues, meeting policy (e.g., reporting with percentages at Grades 10-12), and connections to Yukon First Nations Ways of Knowing and Doing.

Yukon Education will fund those teachers who are registered or intend to register in a 2018-19 Learning Network. Interested teachers should get permission from their school administrator and submit an [expression of interest](#).

Teachers wishing to attend on September 6 or 7, but not intending to register for a Learning Network should apply to the YTA for funding via the [online application process](#). They should also submit their names to [liz.woods@yesnet.yk.ca](mailto:liz.woods@yesnet.yk.ca) (rural teachers) or [sofie.maurice@gov.yk.ca](mailto:sofie.maurice@gov.yk.ca) (Whitehorse teachers).

For those interested in collaborating and learning alongside colleagues, we will continue the SBLGR learning as one of the 2018-2019 Learning Networks. Support will be offered through a combination of in-person sessions and online coaching conversations, facilitated by Yukon Education consultants (Sofie Maurice, Chris Stacey, Tammy Stoneman, Liz Woods) and Ken O'Connor.



**Ken O'Connor** is an independent consultant and internationally recognized leader on grading and reporting. He has been a staff development presenter in 9 provinces and one territory in Canada, 47 states in the USA, and in 22 countries outside North America. His 23-year teaching career included experience as a geography teacher and department head at 6 schools in Toronto and Melbourne (Grades 7-12). Ken was a Curriculum Coordinator responsible for Student Assessment and Evaluation for the Scarborough and Toronto District School Boards. He is the author of *The School Leaders Guide to Grading, A Repair Kit for Grading: 15 Fixes for Broken Grades*, *How to Grade for Learning: Linking Grades to Standards*, and *Fifteen Fixes for Broken Grades: A Repair Kit*. His major extra-curricular interest is field hockey, as a player, umpire and coach. As a coach, three of his players went on to represent Canada in the Olympics. He umpired at the 1984 Olympic Games and the 1990 World Cup.

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