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## Reporting and Assessment Guidelines: K-12

- **FreshGrade Update:**

FreshGrade Classic is up and running! If you are interested in signing up, email [yukonportfolios@yesnet.yk.ca](mailto:yukonportfolios@yesnet.yk.ca). You will be sent instructions and the 2019 notification form to get you started.

- **Communicating Student Learning in K4 Programs in rural Yukon**

The K4 program is part of the Early Learning Programs (ELPs) which follow the preschool curriculum designed by the Child Development Center, the BC Early Learning Framework, BC redesigned Kindergarten curriculum or a combination of the above depending on the needs of the students.

To date, informal communication on student learning has been required for students in K4. Regardless of the type of Early Learning Programming being run within a school, some form of “communicating student learning” must be provided to parents.

Please refer to the [Communicating Student Learning Resource](#) for more information on informal communication requirements.

## Assessments

- A new [Grade 10 Numeracy Assessment Sample](#) is now available.
  - Select a school district or independent school,
  - enter a PEN (any nine-digit number),
  - choose "Graduation Numeracy" as Subject, and then "Form B".

Please share with anyone who might be interested.

- Grades 3-8 educators: Sign up [here](#) if you are interested in an opportunity to gather with colleagues from across the territory in a standards-based collaborative marking session of the YFSAs Nov 18-19.

## Curriculum K-12

- **UNESCO Associated Schools Network (ASPnet)**  
Opportunity to become a member - Members contribute to the development of innovative educational content, pioneer new learning approaches, and collaborate with other ASPnet members to improve their practices and become agents of change in their communities. Members undertake multidisciplinary projects related to peace and human rights, sustainable development, global citizenship and intercultural learning. You can learn more about this unique opportunity [here](#) or contact our regional coordinator [michel.emery@yesnet.yk.ca](mailto:michel.emery@yesnet.yk.ca).
- You can access the information page for Grades 8-12 myBlueprint here:  
[Grades 8-12 myBlueprint](#)

## Professional learning opportunities:

- A Yukon-based opportunity for a **Master of Education in Numeracy** through Simon Fraser University (SFU) is being explored for 2023. If you might be interested, contact [Paula.Thompson@gov.yk.ca](mailto:Paula.Thompson@gov.yk.ca). We will be updating the university with respect to the degree of expressed interest to date by the end of the month. For more info, here is a similar program that is currently running: [www.sfu.ca/education/gs/degreediploma/masters/ci-mathed.html](http://www.sfu.ca/education/gs/degreediploma/masters/ci-mathed.html)
- There is an opportunity to be contracted as a reviewer for a project with Rubicon Publishing and Dr. Marian Small. Dr. Marian Small has developed a new digital professional learning resource for teachers called MathUp Classroom. If you would like to be considered, contact Susan Ward directly @ PH: 778-208-7181 or [swardrtoo@gmail.com](mailto:swardrtoo@gmail.com)
- From the October issue of the Educational Leadership journal:
  - [Trauma-Informed Teaching Strategies](#) by Jessica Minahan. Small changes in classroom interactions can make a big difference for traumatized students.
  - [Rethinking Conventions: Keeping Gender-Diverse Students Safe](#) by Anthony Ciuffo. With two gender-nonconforming kindergartners entering his school, a principal found he had to change his thinking.
- Free two day training workshops, titled **“Building Community Capacity for Positive Youth Development: The 40 Developmental Asset Model”**, will equip participants with tools and strategies to implement the 40 Asset Model ([yukon.ca/40-assets](http://yukon.ca/40-assets)) and build capacity in their workplace and community. [Workshop information and agenda](#)  
Contact [Sarah.Swinimer@gov.yk.ca](mailto:Sarah.Swinimer@gov.yk.ca) for a registration form.

### Free Webinars

- Corwin is offering a free webinar on October 21 at 3:30 PST.  
[Building Behavior: How to Select and Implement Behavior Initiatives](#)

presented by Jessica Djabrayan Hannigan and John E. Hannigan. The webinar explores how to “build” behavior initiative(s) best suited for your classroom using evidence-based best practices aligned to Hattie’s identified influences on student achievement. **Details can be found [here](#).**

## Other opportunities for schools:

- **Learning for a Sustainable Future (LSF)**

Empowering our children to change the world through innovative programs that empower youth and educators to create more sustainable communities. To learn more about LSF, its projects, programs and resources as well as other learning opportunities, please visit: [learning-opportunities](#)

## Resources for educators

- **Google Suite & Microsoft O365 Go Live Update**

Google Suite and Microsoft Office 365 are very close to being available for student use. Opt out forms should have gone home to parents at all Yukon secondary schools. Students that have not opted out, will have accounts provisioned in both systems. Elementary schools may also make use of the tools, by request and by providing the opt out forms to parents.

- **Free CBC Podcasts**

[Podcasts in Class](#) is a way for teachers to bring podcasts into their classrooms, with custom-made lesson plans, slides, handouts, homework, and transcripts. These guides were written and vetted by teachers who work across a variety of boards, in different cities across Canada. Using two of CBC's award-winning, educational podcasts - [The Secret Life of Canada](#) and [Tai Asks Why](#) - the material is fit for use in a variety of different courses including language arts, history, social sciences, Indigenous studies and biology. All materials related to these guides are available free of charge to teachers across Canada. Learn more by visiting [cbc.ca/teachingguides](#).

- [Curriculum and Assessment website](#)

- [B.C. Curriculum Website](#)

## Action items for consideration

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- Sign-up [here](#) for a **standards-based collaborative marking session** of the YFSAs on November 18 – 19, 2019.
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- Express your interest in a potential Yukon-based SFU Master of Education in Numeracy. E-mail: [Paula.Thompson@gov.yk.ca](mailto:Paula.Thompson@gov.yk.ca).

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