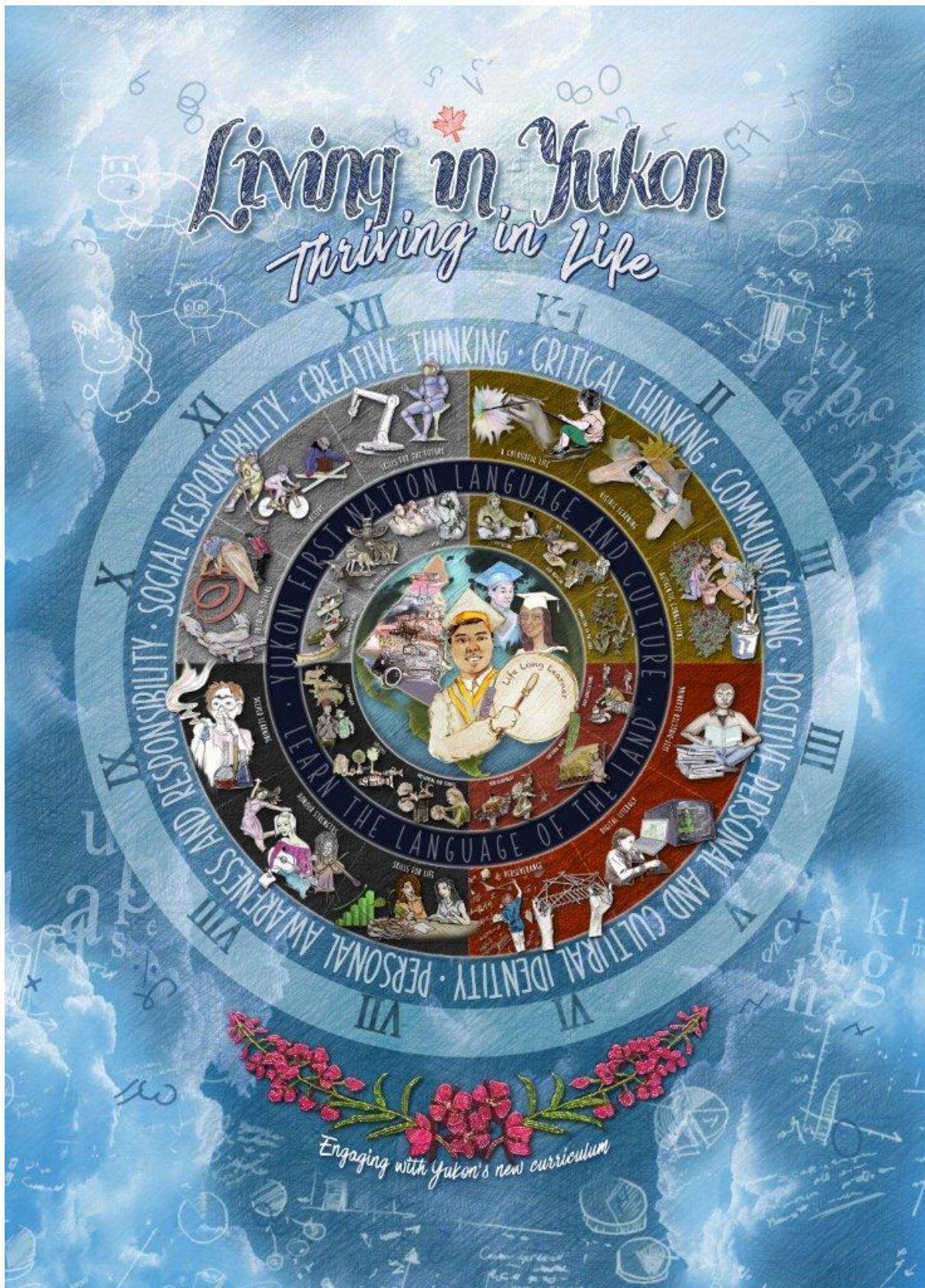


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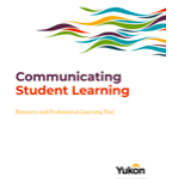


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Reporting and Assessment Guidelines: K-12

- [Download and read the new Communicating Student Learning Resource and Professional Development Tool \(Apple Book\)](#), which includes updates and changes for the 2019-20 school year. Make sure you download the new version that has a new cover.
- Check the results of the [Parent Survey on Assessment](#)
- **FreshGrade:** We know that some of you are anxiously awaiting an upload of student info to start using FreshGrade in your classroom. FreshGrade has been improved and we will now be using the upgraded version FreshGrade Next. Unfortunately, FreshGrade is behind in their development schedule and are not ready to upload student information. They anticipate being ready by the end of September. If you are interested in using FreshGrade Next this school year, please email yukonportfolios@yesnet.yk.ca to be added to the list and receive updates.



Assessments

School Wide Write and District Assessment of Reading

- **Deadline:** These assessments should be completed, including data entry before **Thanksgiving**. The portal for data entry can be entered at the end of September.
- If you have concerns about meeting this deadline, please contact your principal.
- These assessments should be embedded into class practice where possible.
- For an outline of the process, review the DART 2019-2020 and SWW 2019-2020 folders in First Class (located under Teachers' Global Conferences).

Curriculum K-12

Locally Developed/Department Authorized Courses Review Committee: Call for interest

- We're looking for teachers to review Locally Developed Courses for grades 10-12. of Contact Tanya.Lewis@gov.yk.ca if you're interested in joining the review committee.

Other professional learning opportunities:

- A Yukon-based opportunity for a **Master of Education in Numeracy** through Simon Fraser University (SFU), possibly beginning in 2023, is being explored. If you might be interested, please contact Paula.Thompson@gov.yk.ca.
- **Introduction to Inclusive Education:** The BC Ministry of Education partnered with published author and inclusive education thought leader **Shelley Moore** to create a series of short “5 Moore MINTUES!” videos designed to support educators in a diverse learning environment. Videos provide practical strategies of effective design and teaching practices to meet the needs of all learners. Shelley will be in the Yukon in April! Episode 9, the last in the series, was recently released. Watch it [here](#).
- **Free webinars:** Corwin is offering free webinars on a range of topics. [Check the Fall lineup and register here](#). Seats are limited. Of note:
 - **Know Thy Impact** with John Hattie on Sept. 19 at 3:30 PM.
 - Recording of a previous webinar: **Visible Learning Mindframes**
In this webinar, John Hattie explains the 10 Visible Learning Mindframes, and why they're one of the most important influences on student achievement. [Watch it now](#).

Other opportunities for schools:

- **Orange Shirt Day:** Sept. 30. When you and your students participate in Orange Shirt Day, you are promoting awareness about the Indian residential school system and its impacts, and honouring the healing journey of former residential school students and their families. More info: www.orangeshirtday.org
- If you're interested in bringing skilled trades and technology opportunities into your classroom, contact **Skills Canada Yukon**. They provide customized hands-on workshops and bring in guest speakers to help students explore trades and technology. For info on bringing Skills Canada Yukon into your classroom, call 668-2736 or email skillscanada@northwestel.net.

Resources for educators

- [New Communicating Student Learning Resource and Professional Development Tool \(Apple Book\)](#)
- [Curriculum and Assessment website](#)
- [B.C. Curriculum Website](#)
- Until the end of September, there are free resources available in the warehouse at Resource Services.

Action items for consideration

- [Download](#) and read the new Communicating Student Learning Apple Book.
- Check out the results of the [Parent Survey on Assessment](#)
- Complete the SWW and DART assessments.

- Express your interest in joining a committee that reviews applications for Locally Developed Courses. E-mail: Tanya.Lewis@gov.yk.ca
- Express your interest in a potential Yukon-based SFU Master of Education in Numeracy. E-mail: Paula.Thompson@gov.yk.ca.
- Watch “[5 Moore MINUTES!](#)” to learn how to meet the needs of all learners
- [Register](#) for free Corwin webinars offered this fall.
- Participate in Orange Shirt Day
- Bring Skills Canada Yukon into your classroom. E-mail: skillscanada@northwestel.net.
- Drop by the warehouse in Resource Services for free resources for your classroom.
- E-mail: yukonportfolios@yesnet.yk.ca if you are interested in using FreshGrade Next this school year.