

GREAT NEWS - Emerging Technologies

EICS now has a large collection of SMART Board lessons available on the EICS website www.eics.ab.ca under Staff Tools (staff tools-curriculum services-emerging technologies). Check it out – the lessons are all categorized by grade level, however, in order to download the lessons – you must have Notebook software. There is also an extensive list (categorized by subject) of interactive sites and resources for all teachers.

For more information on Emerging Technologies, contact Jeannine Bobrowsky at jeannineb@eics.ab.ca.

Nominations open for 2010 Excellence in Teaching Awards

Edmonton... Albertans are urged to recognize dedicated teachers and principals for the exceptional work they do with K-12 students across the province. Nominations for the 2010 Excellence in Teaching Awards are now being accepted.

A nomination package, including details of eligibility and selection criteria, is available at www.education.alberta.ca by clicking on the "Teachers" tab and then on "Excellence in Teaching Awards." Nominations can be submitted to Alberta Education until February 5, 2010. This year, 134 semi-finalists will be selected. Twenty of those semi-finalists will receive Provincial Excellence in Teaching Awards, and three will receive SMARTer Kids Foundation Innovative Use of Technology Awards.



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AISI Now on Website

Our AISI team has been hard-at-work creating their own section on the EICS website at www.eics.ab.ca under Programs. The AISI section is full of interesting and helpful information and resources.

This is your one-stop shop for Assessment for Learning. Check it out!



Resources for Specific Grades

AISI is collecting information for teachers on assessment for all grades. Follow the links on the website to learn about assessment for specific grades. Additional information such as templates and images are also available.

Reporting Resources

There is also a special section on Reporting Resources – such as feedback templates, evidence of learning documents, and 3-way conference forms.

Ad-vent n. 1 season before Christmas. 2 coming of Christ. 3 important arrival. What does Advent mean to you?

If you're looking for a way to make Advent more meaningful for you and your family, join the OLPH Music Ministry for:

This Holy Light
An Evening of Advent Song & Reflection
Sunday, December 6, 7:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Catholic Church
13 Brower Drive

An ecumenical event for the whole family.
Bring your friends and neighbours, too!
Donations for the Strathcona Food Bank will be gratefully accepted.

EICS Disposal of Surplus Equipment

From bandsaws and planers to electronics and sewing machines, EICS is selling its surplus equipment and now for the first-time, you can view the equipment on-line at www.eics.ab.ca under Departments - Office of the Secretary Treasurer - Disposal of Surplus Equipment.

The equipment is available for public viewing at Archbishop Jordan Catholic High School in Sherwood Park or John Paul II Catholic School in Fort Saskatchewan between 3:15 p.m. and 4 p.m. on November 30, December 2, 4, 7, 9 and 11.

Bids are welcome from staff and from the general public - anyone wishing to submit a bid may do so by providing the following information within a sealed envelope:

1. description of equipment you wish to purchase
2. your bid amount
3. your name
4. telephone number and/or e-mail address

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Used Equipment Sale" no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, December 11th to the attention of: Mrs. Alberta Hutchings, Secretary-Treasurer, Elk Island Catholic Schools Education Centre, 160 Festival Way, Sherwood Park, AB T8A 5Z2.

Oil Kings

The Edmonton Oil Kings plan to host the largest and loudest field trip of the year. On Wednesday, January 13, 2010, CN Hockey Hooky will have students from all over Oil Country on the edge of their seats. The youth will experience the excitement of a WHL game, and they will get a unique educational lesson tailored to the game of hockey. The Oil Kings will play the Kootenay Ice at 11:30 am, when Rexall Place will be transformed into a giant classroom. The Edmonton Oilers ICE School will help develop the educational component and it will feature curriculum connections to Social Studies, Language Arts, Math, Art, Music and Health.

Interested schools and classes can sign up online at oilkings.ca. Once the application is received, the Oil Kings will line up a corporate partner from the Adopt A School program to cover the costs of the tickets. For more information contact Oil Kings Manager, Communications Kelly Row at krow@oilkings.ca or call (780) 231-2819.

Music of the Spheres 2000 Legacy Grant

Due Date: Friday, December 18, 2009
Announcement of Awards: February 1, 2010
Grants: Maximum of up to \$750.00 per award

History- The endowment funds to establish the grant were contributed as a legacy for music education in Edmonton by the Music of the Spheres 2000 Conference Organizing Committee upon completion of the July 2000 World Conference held in Edmonton. The first competition for the yearly grant took place in the fall of 2004.

Purpose - The intent of the grant is to help music teachers in the greater Edmonton region enhance music education and instruction for children and youth at the elementary, junior high, and high school levels.

Eligibility

- a) Any teacher employed by a School Board in the greater Edmonton region who teaches full time music to students at any grade level(s) from Kindergarten to Grade 12.
- b) Any studio music teacher in the greater Edmonton region who is a member in good standing with the Alberta Registered Music Teachers Association and who teaches at least twenty (20) students on a regular and ongoing basis each year.

Grant Particulars

- a) Teachers are eligible to receive a grant once in every three years.
- b) The following considerations are to be given the highest priority in awarding grants:
the extent to which it can be demonstrated that the project proposed by the teacher will enhance students' music education;
- c) Projects eligible for consideration for receiving grants include those that have a
direct impact on instruction

Application Details

Please send the following information in a Word.doc to George Nikel at gknikel@shaw.ca:

- o Letter of application including name, address, details regarding teaching position, and school address (school music teachers) or proof of membership in the Alberta Registered Music Teachers Association (for studio teachers).
- o One page summary (single spaced) of your proposed project.
- o Budget for your project outlining details of intended expenses.

Detailed information on the Music of the Spheres Grant, including grant particulars and requirements, will be sent to each school.

News ... from Alberta Education

AISI Multiple Perspectives Review

In October 2008, as it embarked on its ninth year of implementation, the Alberta Initiative for School Improvement (AISI) held a province-wide colloquium to take stock of the progress of AISI to date and to help set directions for the future. Following the colloquium, five researchers were invited to undertake deeper study on the design, impact and future of AISI, including its sustainability.

The report, *The Learning Mosaic: A Multiple Perspectives Review of the Alberta Initiative for School Improvement (AISI)*, speaks to the capacity of the education system to support innovation and creativity in order to secure the best possible outcomes for Alberta's schools. The full report and the summary report may be found on the Alberta Education AISI website: www.education.alberta.ca/admin/aisi/aisidocs.aspx.

Arts Education

A draft K-12 Arts Education Curriculum Framework is now available for viewing and discussion online in English at www.education.alberta.ca/teachers/program/finearts/program-updates.aspx and in French at www.education.alberta.ca/francais/teachers/progres/core/beaux-arts/proget/revision.aspx. Research and focused discussions with a variety of stakeholders have informed the development of this draft framework.

The government has heard from interested Albertans that more time is needed to respond to the draft framework. As a result, they have extended the timeline for response from December 1, 2009 to January 31, 2010. The Framework and the Online Discussion Questions are available in English at: www.education.alberta.ca/teachers/program/finearts/program-updates.aspx and in French at www.education.alberta.ca/francais/teachers/progres/core/beaux-arts/proget/revision.aspx. In addition to extending the timeline, they have added an online fact sheet and two questions to the Online Discussion Questions encouraging respondents to add suggestions and comments.

We have already received several hundred responses to the online questions, in addition to receiving numerous emails, letters and face-to-face responses. We assure you that all responses will be carefully considered during future revisions to the draft framework and the subsequent development of programs of study.

Inspiring Education Fall Forum

Approximately 1,000 Albertans helped to shape the future of education in the province through the Inspiring Education Fall Forum, held October 18-20, in Edmonton. The forum featured roundtable discussions on the vision for education, policy and governance, as well as four keynote speakers.

The Inspiring Education website will be updated in the near future to include forum presentations from the speakers and the Minister of Education - www.inspiringeducation.alberta.ca.

Premier taking online questions from Albertans

Albertans now have an opportunity to ask Premier Ed Stelmach questions as part of a special "year-end interview with Albertans".

Premier Stelmach will take questions through his website as well as through the @premierstelmach Twitter account and YourAlberta YouTube account. "As Premier, I get asked questions regularly by the news media and in Question Period by opposition politicians," said Premier Stelmach. "This is an opportunity for all Albertans to ask me what's on their minds. I'm very excited to use some of the social media tools we have available to us to hear directly from Albertans like you."

Questions can be tweeted, submitted online or posted to YouTube through December 4 and as many questions as possible will be posed to the Premier. Video clips of the Premier answering your questions will be posted in mid-December on the Premier's website and YouTube.

For more information on how to submit questions, please see Premier Stelmach's website. Go to <http://premier.alberta.ca>.

Play Safe - Stay Off the Ice!

Cooler temperatures will soon be causing ice to form on storm water management ponds, dug outs, lakes, streams and rivers throughout Strathcona County and surrounding municipalities.

Canadians are famous for their enthusiasm for winter recreation activities but we all need to remember that you can not judge the strength or the safety of ice by appearance alone. In the fall when ice is forming, its' strength is affected by many factors: air temperatures, road run off, springs that feed into the water body, sun, wind, snow and overall thickness. At this time of the year, remind your family to Play Safe..... Stay Off the Ice!!

Ice Smart Tips www.lifesaving.ca

Ice is constantly changing in response to weather and water conditions. That's why ice is never 100 percent safe, even when you've tested its thickness. The best advice is to stay off it.

1. Check the weather.

Avoid ice-related activities on warm or stormy days.

2. Check ice conditions with knowledgeable local individuals. The Lifesaving Society recommends a minimum ice thickness of 10 cm (4 inches) for a single person to walk, ice fish, or cross-country ski on it. Remember, though, that this recommendation is for new, clear ice under ideal conditions.

3. Avoid vehicle travel on ice whenever possible. If you've been drinking alcohol or taking drugs, remember that even one drink can dull your senses, slow your reaction time and impair your judgement. If you do drive on ice ensure that your windows are rolled down, doors are unlocked, seat belts are unfastened and lights are turned on, as these precautions will allow for a quicker escape from your vehicle if it should go through the ice.

4. Keep away from unfamiliar paths or unknown ice, and avoid travelling on ice at night.

5. Never go onto the ice alone.

A buddy may be able to rescue you or go for help if you get into difficulty.

6. Inform someone of your destination and expected time of return before you leave shore.

7. Wear a thermal protection buoyant suit to increase your chances of survival if you do go through the ice. If you don't have one, wear a lifejacket or personal flotation device (PFD) over an ordinary snowmobile suit or layered winter clothing.

8. Assemble a small personal safety kit, no larger than the size of a wallet, and carry it on your person. The kit should include a lighter, waterproof matches, magnesium fire starter, pocketknife, compass and whistle.

9. Carry ice picks, an ice staff and a rope.

A cellular phone could also help save your life.



Where Character Lives

Do you see examples of good character everywhere? In your school? In your community? In your family?

Students from kindergarten to grade 12 in Strathcona County are invited to submit writings or pictures about what good character means to them or where they see examples of positive character.

Three prizes will be awarded for every school level: K-6, Junior High and High School.



The contest is open to all students within Strathcona County. Written submissions may be typed, handwritten or printed and should be no longer than 750 words. Drawings should be on regular letter size paper 8 1/2 by 11. Name, grade, school and phone number are required to notify students if they win. Submissions may be used, in whole or in part, to convey public messages within the Where Character Lives initiative. This may be done in print and/or online and in displays.

Tell us Where Character Lives in Strathcona County!
Deadline for submissions: Monday, December 7, 2009

For more detailed information, go to www.strathcona.ab.ca/fcs.

Hansel and Gretel at Archbishop Jordan

Archbishop Jordan High School Theatre invites you to the Drama 30 production of the Brothers Grimm's Hansel and Gretel, dramatized by Charlotte Chorpenning.

The play follows two innocent and sweet children who have been taken into a world in which they don't belong. Their family is unable to provide all of the essential needs; therefore they purposefully lose Hansel and Gretel in the middle of the forest. The children stumble upon the witch who lures them into her candy house. The witch's magic is put to shame as Hansel and Gretel finally outwit her. The classic tale of Hansel and Gretel is brought to life by the exquisite costumes and amazing life-like sets made entirely by the talented students in the Archbishop Jordan Theatre Arts program. The timeless characters are excellently developed by the members of the Drama 30 class and the outcome is an entertaining and captivating performance of the classic fairytale Hansel and Gretel.

Matinee tickets may be booked through the Archbishop Jordan business office by contacting Wendy Prud'homme at 467- 2121 ext # 114, or wendyp@eics.ab.ca If your school reserves a booking, your full commitment at the performance is appreciated. Archbishop Jordan theatre is able to offer a complimentary ticket to 1 supervisor for every 15 students. If your group requires a smaller teacher student ratio you may purchase additional tickets at a student rate for each supervisor. A 50% non-refundable deposit will need to be received by the office within two weeks of your booking. To avoid losing your tickets, please forward deposits to Wendy Prud'homme at Archbishop Jordan.

Matinee performances are likely to sell out, therefore, book your class' tickets as soon as possible.

Parents in Prayer Group - OLPH Parish

The Parents in Prayer group will be meeting Monday, Dec. 14th at 10 AM at Father Kenneth Kearns School to pray for the needs of our children, staff and their families.

Parents for Prayer ask you to join them for this precious time of prayer and fellowship, especially if you are from Holy Redeemer, Holy Spirit, Madonna or O.L.P.H. We are in need of representatives from these schools. Parents from public schools are also welcome to attend.

If you have prayer requests or would like more information, call Sharon W. at 780-922-3012. All prayer requests are kept confidential.

Hansel and Gretel Ticket Pricing and Performance Schedule

Matinee Performances (School Groups Only)

Wednesday, December 2

BUS ARRIVAL at Festival Place: 9:30 A.M.

PERFORMANCE BEGINS: 9:45 A.M.

Thursday, December 3

Morning performance

BUS ARRIVAL at Festival Place: 9:30 A.M.

PERFORMANCE BEGINS: 9:45 A.M.

Afternoon performance

BUS ARRIVAL at Festival Place: 12:00 P.M.

PERFORMANCE BEGINS: 12:15 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE:

Estimated Run Time: 1 1/2 hours

Student Ticket Cost: \$5.00

Teacher/Supervisor Ticket Cost: FREE

Location: Festival Place, Sherwood Park

Salt and Light Catholic TV

Over the past 50 years, there has been an explosion in media and communications. Just look at the last 10 years with television, Internet and online communications. However, where are we as Catholics in the face of this revolution?

We have some Catholic radio, Catholic magazines and some regional initiatives across the country, but no Catholic television on a national basis. And, television reaches more Canadians than any other media. Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation is a not-for-profit, charitable organization whose goal is to use modern media in its many forms as a tool to connect Catholics to their faith. Our first initiative was to establish a new digital television channel, Canada's first national Catholic television Network, Salt + Light Television in July 2003.

Constructing a unifying, national, Catholic Television 'network' is anything but easy. However, with the hand of Catholics from every generation and every background, we will continue to build a network that Canadian Catholics will be proud to call their own.

DID YOU KNOW?

If you missed Nothing More Beautiful at the Basilica, you can watch on your computer at saltandlighttv.org - click on View Live. You can also see the presentation at www.caedm.ca.

Money for Alberta Cancer Foundation



After much hard work fundraising during October's Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Madonna Catholic School students were honoured to present a \$850 cheque to the Alberta Cancer Foundation.

Spend a Week on Parliament Hill

www.forum.ca/programs

The FORUM experience brings students to Ottawa for a one-week intensive academic adventure that immerses them in the exciting world of national politics and public affairs.

FORUM is a bilingual, nonpartisan and AMAZING program to develop leadership and to learn about parliamentary democracy, how government works and how YOUR STUDENTS can make a difference in shaping Canada's future.

WHO: Up to 125 students (aged 15-19) from across Canada, at each session. Groups of 15 students are escorted and supervised throughout by adult Team Leaders. Since 1976, over 16,000 students have lived the FORUM experience.

WHERE: In Ottawa, Canada's capital. Most seminars and simulations are held on Parliament Hill. [Accommodations are in a downtown hotel.]

WHEN: Students participate in one of four sessions, in February, March or April. Each session is 5-days long. Application forms are now available online for the Spring 2010 sessions at www.forum.ca. Space is limited.

FORUM is for Teachers Too!

Take part in the annual Forum Teacher's Conference that is organized in conjunction with FORUM in April. Don't miss this unique opportunity. For more details go to the FORUM website, www.forum.ca.

AISI Student Art Contest

Submitted by Debbie Quick, EICS Curriculum Consultant

For the past decade, the Alberta Initiative for School Improvement (AIS I) has supported and encouraged innovative strategies focused on student engagement learning, and performance. In celebration of a decade of AIS I, students are invited to exercise their creativity and submit artwork on this theme.

Judging will take place with AIS I Education Partners at the School Improvement Branch, Alberta Education. First and second place prizes will be awarded in each category. Entries from all four categories will be displayed at the annual AIS I Conference, February 8 and 9, 2010, in Edmonton, Alberta. Selected entries will be framed and presented to dignitaries such as the Premier of Alberta, the Minister of Education, and guest speakers.

Contest Regulations

- Entries will be no larger than 56 cm by 71 cm
- Entries will be judged on originality, expression of theme, drawing and illustration.
- Computer-generated entries will not be accepted.
- The poster shall focus on students as active and engaged learners, teachers as engaged in innovative instructional strategies, or the meaningful involvement of the school community.
- Students will complete a Registration Form and attach it to their poster.
- All entries are to be submitted to the School Improvement Branch: - 12th Floor, 44 Capital Blvd., 10044 - 108 Street, Edmonton, Alberta T5J 5E6

Deadline for entry submission is December 18, 2009

Please note: a registration form will be sent to all schools.

St. Mary's Students Learn About Organic Farming

Outdoor and Environmental Education students from St. Mary's visited an organic, pesticide-free garden in October. The organic garden trip was a real learning experience - the garden composts for fertilizer, recycles water off the greenhouse, and uses water to moderate temperature.



Nothing More Beautiful – Events!

Jesus Christ: The Way, Truth and Life
Thursday, December 10, 2009

Jesus Christ: Lamb of God and Bread of Life
Thursday, February, 4, 2010

Jesus Christ: Crucified and Risen Lord
Thursday, April 15, 2010

Jesus Christ: Revelation of the Trinity
Thursday, May 27, 2010

All events are held between 7 and 8:30 p.m. at St. Joseph's Basilica, 10044 – 113 Street in Edmonton. For more information, visit www.caedm.ca.

H1N1 Reminders and Updates

Remember ...

If you are sick, cover your coughs and sneezes with your arm, wash your hands frequently with soap and water, and stay home. Call Health Link Alberta for advice at toll-free 1-866-408-5465 or go online at healthlinkalberta.ca. Additional information is available on the EICS website at www.eics.ab.ca under Division - Pandemic Preparedness.

Getting Started: Your Guide to Post Secondary Education

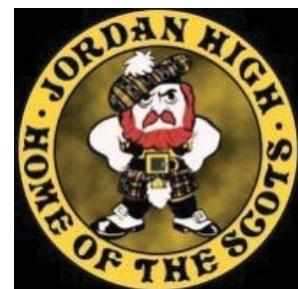
The Edmonton Journal published a special feature called "Getting Started – Your Guide to Post Secondary Education" on Sunday, November 22, 2009. EICS has ordered extra copies of the special section and will distribute to schools through internal mail.

The special feature contains information for students including the value of athletics, tips on choosing the right career, and educational institutions.

Archbishop Jordan 40th Anniversary Gala Tickets Now On Sale!

Archbishop Jordan Catholic High School is celebrating its 40th anniversary on April 17, 2010 and you are invited to take part in the festivities! The evening event will be full of entertainment – cocktails, dinner, dance and a live auction full of amazing prizes.

Tickets will be on sale at OLPH Parish after Mass on December 12, 13, 19 and 20. Tickets will also be available at Archbishop Jordan starting in December. Please ask for Wendy Prudhomme at T: 780-467-2121.



Mark Your Calendars for the 40th Anniversary

April 17, 2010

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Hall
13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park, AB
Cocktails: 6:30 p.m.

Dinner: 7:30 p.m.

Dance, live auction, prizes, and raffles to follow.

Information from Alberta Health Services –
www.health.alberta.ca/health-info/alberta-top-doc.html

Alberta's top doctor with Alberta Health Services is now on YouTube providing answers to questions on influenza (the flu). To watch the videos, go to www.youtube.com or visit Alberta Health Services website at www.health.alberta.ca and click on the Pandemic H1N1 Influenza button on the bottom left of the page.

Teach Green, Live Green Schools Wanted to Apply to Tree Canada's Greening Canada's School Grounds Program

Tree Canada is the country's largest not-for-profit tree organization (www.treecanada.ca). Over the past 17 years, we have planted over 76 million trees and greened over 450 school yards from coast to coast in communities and rural areas.

We have sponsors such as FedEx Express who are interested in funding schools under our Greening Canada's School Grounds program. Funding is available for trees, shrubs and materials needed to keep these alive such as soil, mulch and stakes. Interested schools should visit our website - http://www.treecanada.ca/site/?page=programs_school&lang=en to download the application/plan. All applications and plans should be received by December 31, 2009.

Green school grounds are a great learning resources for children – by greening where we live we teach students the importance of improving the environment where we live, they can take part in planting trees and learn the long-terms benefits of trees.

Will your school be part of the new "green wave"? Take part in our program!

For more information please contact: Melissa Nisbett, Tree Canada Communications & Marketing Officer T: (613) 567-5545 ext 224, Fax: (613) 567-5270, mnisbett@treecanada.ca

Join EICS

EICS has the following employment opportunities:

Casual Bus Drivers for Sherwood Park, Ardrossan, South Cooking Lake.

Application deadline: December 4, 2009

Casual Educational Assistants for Fort Saskatchewan, Sherwood Park, Camrose and Vegreville.

Application deadline: December 4, 2009

Casual Caretakers for Fort Saskatchewan, Sherwood Park, Camrose and Vegreville.

Application deadline: December 4, 2009

For more detailed information about employment opportunities, including application process and job descriptions, visit the EICS website.

A Financial Head Start for Students

Sponsored by Canada's banks and developed in partnership with the Financial Consumer Agency of Canada, the YourMoney seminar is a non-commercial financial literacy presentation for high school students, covering budgeting, saving, investing, wise credit use and keeping your money safe. More than 800 community-level bankers from across Canada volunteer their time and expertise to deliver the seminar in schools.

In 2008, the YourMoney seminar was redesigned and updated. The new seminar includes:

- A presentation deck, in PowerPoint or overhead transparency format
- In-class interactive budgeting exercise
- Student worksheet with quiz, budgeting tool, and links to other resources
- Presenter tools, including role-play script, and evaluation forms

Teachers can request a seminar any time during the school year by contacting the Canadian Bankers Association at www.yourmoney.cba.ca. Teachers will be matched with a local banker volunteer to present the material to their class.

The interactive YourMoney seminar gives students the opportunity to learn about real-life financial subjects, and ask questions about the issues that matter to them.

For more information about the program, or to book a seminar for your classroom, go to www.yourmoney.cba.ca/



Check out these websites!

This website helps you find a variety of books online, in many languages and reading levels. The titles are searchable just as you would in a library catalogue, and you can enlarge the text. It is super-easy to navigate!

<http://en.childrenslibrary.org/>

This website is loaded with interactive games and activities on fire safety for children.

www.sparky.org

Canadian Olympic School Program

Celebrate the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Torch Relay with your students by downloading exciting classroom and school activities.

With the generous support of RBC, the Canadian Olympic School Program has produced a series of free educational resources that help bring this historic event to your classroom. New to the Kit are tips to host your own school-based relay. Download the lesson plans at www.olympicschool.ca.

NEW OLYMPIAN STORIES

Inspire your students with the stories of Olympians Carol Huynh (physical activity), Kristi Richards (responsibility) and Jeff Bean (resiliency). Linked to provincial learning outcomes, each of the stories are written at three different reading levels (grades 2-3, 4-5, and 6-7), and include language arts focused learning activities for each level.

OLYMPIC PROJECT PACKS FOR MIDDLE AND SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS!

In the newly released winter version of Standing Clean (Language Arts, Drama, Media) students are placed on the Canadian Olympic Team's communication staff, and asked to respond to the world when a Canadian athlete loses gold to an athlete caught for using illegal substances.

Road to Recovery (secondary life sciences and physical education) requires students to use their understanding of secondary biology to help injured athletes recover in time to 'go for gold.'

Bank of Canada – Currency Museum

www.CurrencyMuseum.ca

The Currency Museum of the Bank of Canada has developed interactive programs designed to teach students about money and the economy. All our programs are FREE. The choice is yours!

For grade 4 to 6 – What is Money?

Coins, bank notes and bank cards weren't always the only forms of money used. By using examples of different types of currencies, students discover the functions and characteristics of money. They will gain an understanding that money can be whatever people agree on as a medium of exchange and will develop a better understanding of the money we use today.

For grade 9 to 11 – Counterfeit Detection

This module is designed help students learn about responsible citizenship and how to tell a real bank note from a counterfeit note. Hands-on learning tools and team-building activities promote interactive learning and cooperation.

For grade 9 to 11 – Inflation Busters

Fighting inflation is hard but learning about it can be fun with this interactive DVD which offers a mix of games, simulations and group activities. Students will learn about inflation, monetary policy and the role of the Bank of Canada. The program is a perfect complement to economics and business curriculum.

Other activities: Browse the website's Learning Centre for interesting facts, frequently asked questions, and much more.



*Elk Island Catholic Schools' Board of Trustees wish you
blessings of peace, the beauty of hope,
and the spirit of love that is Christmas.*