

LCN Topic Sessions for January 7, 2016: 12:15 to 1:15

Each topic session will share information and invite active engagement from the participants.

Must pre-register with Laura Robinson for the Academic Conversations at KCTC (limit of 20) Includes Lunch at KCTC for \$5.00

Literacy Libraries - Kurt Stroh GRAND	Academic Conversations: Laura Robinson: KCTC	PBS-Learning Media Michael Fillman, WGVU Education Coordinator, Retired Lowell Area Schools 5 th Grade Teacher THORNAPPLE	Purposeful Talk - Tracy Horodyski CEDAR	Technology Integration into Curriculum - Craig Steenstra PINE/ COMPUTER LAB	Coaching for LCN Beginning Members Char Firlík COLDWATER
<p>Is Your Library the Literacy Hub of Your School?</p> <p>In a time when many elementary schools don't have librarians (and sadly, some don't even have libraries), find out how your school library could be the literacy heart of your school. So much more than storytime and book checkout, find out how your library could be supporting teachers' instruction, helping to foster the life-long love of reading in students, and creating a literacy-rich environment for the entire school.</p>	<p>Academic Conversations are sustained and purposeful conversations about educational topics. Teachers at the Tech Center have developed strategies to use when teaching this to students. Watch and interact with students! Come on over for lunch (\$5.00) and the breakout session (wear comfortable shoes). If interested e-mail Laura Robinson: laurarobinson@kentisd.org Limited to first 20 who sign up. (session runs from 11:15 to 1:15)</p>	<p>"Seriously? Over 100,000 FREE Digital Resources To Use In The Classroom?" Did you know that WGVU & PBS, the most trusted names in broadcasting, have a website with over 100,000 digital resources teachers can access for FREE to use in the classroom? This session will focus on how to use the WGVU & PBS LearningMedia digital resource website to enhance instruction in the classroom, as well as, aligning resources to standards, applicable to K-12 classrooms. You will walk away with how to access the site and use all of its features, plus classroom examples of student work will be shared."</p>	<p>Framed within the Gradual Release of Responsibility, and based on the work of Peter Johnston and Maria Nichols, we will explore how to shift more control to the students through techniques that are simple . . . yet can be so hard to do! With a shift in mindset, these techniques become natural and will open up a powerful way for teachers and students to grow their thinking together.</p>	<p>"This session will explore how districts and buildings can build tech integration into their writing curriculum in a way that increases consistency between classrooms while reducing the amount of work required of individuals. Craig will share how some schools in the county are doing this and how you could set up the pieces to do the same.</p>	<p>Change Leadership Literacy coaches, teacher-leaders and administrators are in the 'change' business. Educators regularly embrace change professionally and personally. Various improvement initiatives place educational leaders in the role of supporting colleagues through change. Today we will explore : What is change? What does change require? ...and... What efforts impact successful change?</p>

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