Northeastern Catholic District School Board

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PA Day Agenda

October 26, 2026

Special Education and Individual Education Plans (IEPs)

Theme: *Special Education Individual Education Plan K – 12 Teacher Focused*
Length: 150 minutes
Location: All Schools
Audience: **K – 12 Teachers and Educational Assistants**
Facilitator: Principals
Resources: Board created resources

Description

Professional learning will focus on effective programming for exceptional students and the development, implementation, and use of Individual Education Plans (IEPs) to support student learning and achievement. Staff will review the key components of an effective IEP, including accommodations, modifications, and alternative expectations. Learning will also clarify the difference between instructional supports that are available to all students through Universal Design for Learning (UDL), and individualized accommodations that are documented in an IEP, such as assistive technology. Staff will examine their school's most recent IEP audit results to identify strengths, areas for growth, and next steps for effective implementation.

Consistent Classroom Delivery and New Curriculum Updates

Theme: *Launching the Provincial Platform for Educational Resources: Edwin*
Length: 60 minutes
Location: All Schools
Audience: Grade 1 to Grade 12 Educators
Facilitator: Nelson Education Canada Staff
Resources: Edwin Platform

Description

Educators will participate in professional learning focused on Ontario's Consistent Educational Resources for Grades 1-12. Edwin is the provincially supported digital teaching and learning platform available to Ontario school boards and provides curriculum-aligned resources developed to support planning, instruction, assessment, and differentiated learning across all core subject areas. During this session, educators will explore the platform's features and resources, develop familiarity with available instructional supports, and examine how Edwin can be used to enhance student learning and achievement. The learning will support effective implementation of Ministry-supported resources within classroom programming and instructional practice.

Cyber Safety & AI

Theme: *Cyber Safety and the Effective Use of AI in Education*
Length: 90 minutes
Location: All Schools
Audience: All Education Staff
Facilitator: Principals
Resources: Board Created Materials

Description

Educators will participate in learning focused on cyber safety, privacy, and the responsible use of artificial intelligence in education. Sessions will support staff in recognizing and responding to cybersecurity threats, protecting student and board information, and promoting safe and respectful online behaviour. Educators will also explore emerging AI tools and considerations for their effective, ethical, and secure use in teaching and professional practice. Resources from Ontario Curriculum and Cyber Awareness Month will be highlighted to support ongoing learning and safe digital environments for students and staff.