



Manitoba Council for Exceptional Children  
**Teaching To Diversity**  
 Canad Inn Garden City, 2100 McPhillips Street

Registration is from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m., and presentation starts at 9:00 a.m. sharp.

**KEYNOTE**

**Teaching To Diversity: The Three Block Model of Universal Design for Learning**

**Dr. Jennifer Katz**

Today’s classrooms reflect the diversity of a global world. This diversity means that students vary in what they already know, what they are ready to learn, the pace at which they are able to proceed through curriculum, and the level of adult support they require for success. Building inclusive learning communities requires that students see school as a place where they belong, are valued, and have something to contribute. Universal Design for Learning is an effective approach to classroom management, planning, instruction, and assessment that creates a compassionate learning community.

This workshop will focus on the practical “how to,” of starting the year, building climate, and planning units in a way that facilitates differentiated instruction, inquiry, and multi-modal/outcomes based assessment. Sample units, lessons, video, and student work will be shared!

Dr. Katz received her PhD in 2008 from the University of British Columbia and has written a book on *Teaching to Diversity: The Three-Block Model of Universal Design for Learning, Creating Compassionate Learning Communities* (in press).

Dr. Katz has been a successful sessional lecturer, educational consultant, resource teacher, classroom teacher, editor, and guidance counselor. She taught in diverse classrooms from K–12 in Winnipeg and Vancouver for 16 years, including special education classrooms, inclusive classrooms, youth centres, and alternative high school programs. Her work as an advocate of inclusive education has spanned several provinces and territories, and multiple audiences, including university courses, academic conferences, parent advocacy groups, educational conferences, school and division based professional development workshops, and most importantly, direct work with children and youth in schools and alternative settings. She is currently an Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Education at the University of Manitoba.



**REGISTRATION**

This is a scent-free conference. Absolutely NO on-site registration. Confirmation of your registration will be sent to your email prior to the conference. AM and PM refreshments will be served. Lunch will not be supplied. Canad Inn offers lunch at AALTO’S and there are many restaurants within a four block radius.

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MCEC Member.....	\$114.00
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<b>MCEC conference fees</b>	
MCEC Member.....	\$30.00
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