



WORKSHOPS

WHO: TLLT workshops are available to MTS members. Non-members, including educational assistants and support staff, may attend TLLT workshops in their school for an additional charge of \$10 per person.

WHAT: TLLT workshops are half-day (3 hrs) or full-day (5.5 hrs) sessions offered by teachers for teachers. The cost is \$150 booking fee.

WHERE: TLLT workshops are offered at your school site or divisional PD day.

WHEN: TLLT workshops can be requested for any date, subject to the availability of TLLT facilitators. Book early to avoid disappointment.

WHY: The mandate of the Teacher-Led Learning Team is to design and facilitate workshops for Society members across the province.

HOW: To request a TLLT workshop: <https://www.mbteach.org/professional-development/tllt.html>

Current LGBTQ* Realities – HALF DAY

Participants will learn strategies for developing LGBTQ inclusive classrooms and schools.

Topics: Terminology (gender and sexual identities); societal norms of sex, gender, orientation and gender expression; supporting students who are coming out; starting and maintaining a GSA; and addressing everyday discrimination.

Difficult Conversations – FULL DAY

Participants will explore knowledge and skills to have purposeful conversations when stakes are high, emotions are strong, and opinions vary.

Topics: Exploring the 3W's of avoidance – what, why, ways people avoid important conversations; clarifying motive, mindset, conditions, and purpose in preparation for conversations; and applying new knowledge and reflecting on conversations using a framework; and considering communication stumbling blocks, triggers, and diffusion techniques to stay in dialogue.

Better Conversations – FULL DAY

Pre-requisite: Difficult Conversations

Participants will apply skills learned in Difficult Conversations through the lens of three big ideas: A Better Me (self-awareness); A Better We (relational awareness); A Better Conversation (conversational awareness).

Topics: Understanding how values impact behavior in conversations; active listening skills; communication stumbling blocks; and diffusion techniques to stay in dialogue.

FISH! Food for Thought – HALF DAY

Participants will learn about the Fish! Philosophy, a mindset that inspires creativity, joy, and productivity to enhance the work we do with students and the way we work with colleagues. This is important because the ability of teachers to collaborate and work together is paramount to student success.

Topics: Working with a gameful mindset, choosing attitude, finding joy, and being present. **This workshop complements High Impact Teams.

High-Impact Teams – HALF DAY

Participants will identify characteristics of and strategies to enhance meaningful collaborative work within grade-level teams, PLCs, and departments.

Topics: Qualities of high-performing groups, strengths and impacts of work style preferences; tools for talking about things that matter. ** This workshop complements Fishing for Fun.

More than Just Classroom Management: Planning for Teacher and Student Success – HALF OR FULL-DAY

Participants will reflect on their experiences and current practice, dialogue with colleagues, and discover how to deepen connections with students to improve student learning. Based upon the professional needs in your school, choose your own adventure to explore either a half-day (two topics) or full-day (all topics) of learning.

Topics options include: 3P'S of teaching (passion, presence, power); classroom routines and other considerations; the Brain Trumps; and intervention strategies.

Opening the Door to Reconciliation through Story & Fact – HALF-DAY

In 2015, The Truth and Reconciliation Commission released 94 Calls to Action to “redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation” (TRC, 2015). The role of education in the calls to action is paramount.

Topics: Story and fact; The Indian Act; Sixties Scoop; enfranchisement; residential schools; The Peasant Farming Act; Pass & Permit systems; and internalized oppression.

Working with Educational Assistants – HALF DAY

Participants will explore practices and guidelines that enhance dynamic working relationships between teachers and EAs.

Topics: Roles and responsibilities of Educational Assistants; MTS policy and provincial regulations; effective communication strategies; preparation, guidance, and supervision of EAs.

**workshop descriptions are subject to change due to ongoing reflection and revision*

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