

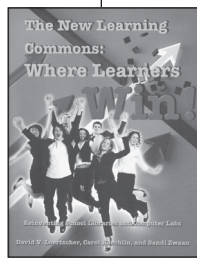
Brenda Dillon

the book by joining a wiki, which is an interesting way to extend the book beyond its covers.

The New Learning Commons Where Learners Win!

is meant to be read, discussed, and used with others and would be an excellent choice for a Professional Learning Community.

Highly recommended. |



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EDUCATION INSTITUTE

Welcome back to a new school year!

Readers of *The Teaching Librarian* are familiar with the Education Institute, and know that the distance education program provides great personal learning and leadership opportunities, but the timing hasn't always been convenient.

You will be pleased to learn that the much-anticipated EI-TO-GO service is being launched in Canadian Library Month—October, 2009! The details will be highlighted through the OLA website, and sent to all our member lists.



Here is a sampling of the sessions that will be available in "to-go" formats:

Creating Personal Learning Through Self-Assessment

Jean Donham

Assessment is a word that is typically associated with formal schooling, and with being imposed from external sources: for example, teachers assess student work, administrators assess teacher performance, and authorities assess school and school board progress. Although external assessment strategies are essential, the most valuable assessment leading to productive life-long learning is self-assessment. This session will highlight pertinent strategies to maximize the cycle of continuous improvement: setting learning goals, pursuing the learning, and reflection/self-assessment of one's learning.

Searching 2.0

Michael Sauers

In this fast-paced presentation, Michael applies super-search strategies to the latest generation of Web tools: blogs, wikis, Flickr, Google Books, and more. Have you been frustrated with how to best organize your resources for quick access at the reference desk? Michael will provide tips and strategies in this session!

The Twitch Generation and Jacqueline Guest

Jacqueline Guest

Jacqueline Guest, a youth and young adult author, writes for "the twitch generation"! She is a Metis writer who lives in a log cabin nestled in the pinewoods of the Rocky Mountain foothills of Alberta. Her fast-paced books are unique in that many of the main characters come from different ethnic backgrounds including First Nations, Inuit or Metis. Her characters face issues such as bullying, blended families and physical challenges and are strong role models for today's youth. Her historical novels present Canada's vibrant past as an exciting read every child will enjoy, and her mysteries are guaranteed "page-turners"! In this talk, Jacqueline will discuss where her ideas come from and how her books came to be.

Meeting the Needs of At-Risk Readers

Myra Junyk

How do you encourage at-risk readers to read? This workshop will address strategies to motivate students using specific materials in the library. We need to move beyond the High Interest-Low Vocabulary choices! There are now interesting and engaging materials available to meet the needs of even the most reluctant readers!

To register or for more information visit
www.educationinstitute.ca.