



Culturally Responsive Teaching: It's more than just food and holidays

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Target Audience

Teachers: K-12, School-based Administrators

About this Learning Opportunity

According to Statistics Canada, almost 25% of Albertans speak languages other than English. The members of this diverse demographic bring new stories which may be quite different than the established narrative due to their experiences and backgrounds. Culturally responsive teaching allows for these stories to be heard and used to create a new narrative, helping students discover the important role they can play in the larger societal structure.

This session will explore Zaretta Hammond's Ready for Rigor framework to guide participants in creating more equitable, affirming and culturally-responsive communities for learning. Participants will be asked to reflect on their understandings of culture and bias, as well as gain an understanding of how the brain uses culture to make sense of the world.

About the Facilitator(s)

Stephanie Dodyk is a Language Consultant with over 15 years experience in teaching and resource roles. After completing a Bachelor of Education degree in Secondary Mathematics and a Bachelor of Arts degree in German Literature, Stephanie later went on to finish a Master of Education specializing in Teaching English as an Additional Language. In her work, Stephanie continually reflects on her journey of identity development and language learning while growing up as a second-generation Canadian and how it relates to students who are now adding English and Canada to their linguistic and cultural repertoires. She is passionate about the empowering impact language and story have on building community. Her practice focuses on embracing the rich stories students bring with them as they add English to their learning journey and empowering educational professionals to hear them.

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