



# PEITF Summary

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## Join the Growing List of Green High Schools

ECO Canada has launched its second annual **Green High Schools** program—a national initiative where students compete to raise awareness about environmental issues and careers. **Designed to complement both in-class group projects and extracurricular environmental programs**, Green High Schools champions the passionate and important environmental efforts of high school students and teachers across the country. Participating schools will receive national recognition and have a chance to win one of three \$1,000 grants! Register today at [eco.ca/GHS](http://eco.ca/GHS)

## Motion Leadership in Action - A Day With Michael Fullan

The only workshop of its kind in Atlantic Canada! Thursday, April 11, 2013 @ the Halifax Marriott Harbourfront. Registration is limited. Click on the following link to register.

<http://www.principals.ca/forms/ontWorkshopRegistration.aspx?wkshpID=3719&userID=8241>

For more information, visit [www.principals.ca](http://www.principals.ca).

“Great new insights from Michael Fullan’s latest thinking on how to handle an education system. It is rich in its case studies and crucially pays the necessary attention to implementation as well as strategy.” — Sir Michael Barber, Chief Education Advisor, Pearson

“Building on real examples, Fullan provides clear guidelines for leaders and systems committed to real improvement in their schools. This is not today’s flashy idea; it’s the route to lasting success with lots of new insights along the way that will make you a better leader.” — Ben Levin, Professor and Canada Research Chair in Educational Leadership and Policy, OISE/University of Toronto

Autism Society of Newfoundland and Labrador  
Social Thinking Workshops - March 27, 28, 2013 - Capital Hotel, St. John’s, Nfld.  
Speaker: Michelle Garcia Winner - Founder [www.socialthinking.com](http://www.socialthinking.com)

### Day One March 27th, 2013

#### Informal Dynamic Social Thinking Assessment and Core Treatment Strategies for Home and School

This workshop is designed to help parents and professionals better understand the inner minds of individuals with social learning challenges. We introduce the Informal Dynamic Social Thinking Assessment, a tool described in Michelle's book, *Thinking About YOU Thinking About ME*, 2nd Edition. IDST assessments are not only useful as part of the initial or three-year testing process. Instead, this type of assessment can be done on an ongoing basis to gauge students' abilities and needs across time.

The IDST is invaluable in learning more about the way our children/students think, and how their social thinking deficits affect them. This, in turn, illuminates why they need direct teaching of social concepts and arms us with relevant knowledge to determine specific treatment strategies that are best aligned with their

needs. Video clips of the informal assessment will demonstrate ways in which all of us (diagnosticians, parents, paraprofessionals, treatment clinicians, etc.) can work more effectively with this population. This is a day filled with very practical information!

## Day Two March 28th, 2013

### ZOOMING IN on Emerging Social Communicators Across the Classroom, Playground and Home

Zooming In will focus on developing rule-based social learning activities that connect to select Common Core Standards and support the student with significant social processing challenges. We will concentrate specifically on students who are described as Challenged or Emerging Social Communicators (CSC and ESC) on our Social Thinking-Social Communication Profile. These students are more literal, more aloof, miss sarcasm, are less organized, show marked difficulty reading social contextual cues from people and the situation, comprehending language arts material, expressing themselves in written expression, and appear more awkward in their attempts to socially engage with their peers. The emphasis of this day will be around expanding our understanding of where to start and how to progress with these students based on their age, what is realistic to teach, and how to apply this learning in the inclusion-based classroom. This workshop would be of interest to educators, psychologists, ABA therapists, families and all others service providers working with individuals with autism spectrum disorders.

For more information, go to this link:

**IMAGINEACTION school-community project subsidies AVAILABLE**  
Subventions pour des projets école-communauté dans le cadre du programme IMAGINEACTION

Teachers can submit their project applications until February 15, 2013 to be eligible for \$500 subsidies. Social action projects must be student-led and completed by June 30, 2013. Visit [www.imagine-action.ca](http://www.imagine-action.ca) for inspiring project ideas.

Through its Imagineaction program, the Canadian Teachers' Federation (CTF) is pleased to partner once again with the Canada Council for the Arts, the Canadian Commission for UNESCO (CCU), the Public Lending Right Commission (PLRC) and Indigo Books & Music in the project called Listen, I read – 2nd edition. Teachers are invited to send in their applications as of today and can do so online at [www.imagine-action.ca](http://www.imagine-action.ca). Registration is free and open to all Canadian teachers. There are a limited number of opportunities, so please register early. Listen, I read aims to:

- promote contemporary Canadian literature and reading;
- acquaint students with literacy issues; and
- use the arts to help youth find their voices as citizens.

“The initiative was a tremendous success last year involving over 1,000 students from Grades 1 to 12 in 38 schools across Canada reading books and connecting with 18 different authors who are recipients of the highly esteemed Governor General’s Literary Awards,” says CTF President Paul Taillefer. “We were delighted to read the teachers’ positive evaluations in which they claim the initiative provided students with authentic learning.” More information in this [short article and video](#).

Funded by the Canada Council for the Arts, the CTF, the CCU and the J.W. McConnell Family Foundation, the Listen, I read project was originally launched in 2011 to celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Public Lending Right Commission, the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Governor General’s Literary Awards (GGs), the UN International Year of Youth and the UN Literacy Decade.

The CTF Imagineaction program aims to engage young people in social action projects tied to their school and local communities. More information: [www.imagine-action.ca](http://www.imagine-action.ca)

Pour être admissibles à une subvention de 500 \$, les enseignantes et les enseignants doivent présenter leur demande avant le 15 février 2013. Les projets doivent être achevés au plus tard en le 30 juin 2013.

Visitez [www.imagine-action.ca](http://www.imagine-action.ca) pour de l'inspiration.

Le bilan positif d'un projet littéraire auquel ont participé des élèves et des auteures et auteurs primés canadiens mène à une deuxième édition

Par l'intermédiaire de son programme Imagineaction, la Fédération canadienne des enseignantes et des enseignants (FCE) est heureuse de s'associer encore une fois avec le Conseil des Arts du Canada, la Commission canadienne pour l'UNESCO (CCU), la Commission du droit de prêt public (CDPP) et Indigo Books & Music dans le cadre du projet « Écoute, je lis » (deuxième édition).

Les membres du personnel enseignant sont invités à présenter leur demande de participation en ligne à l'adresse [www.imagine-action.ca](http://www.imagine-action.ca) dès aujourd'hui. Le projet s'adresse à tous les enseignants et enseignantes du Canada et l'inscription est gratuite, mais comme le nombre de demandes acceptées est limité, nous vous incitons à vous inscrire tôt.

Objectifs du projet « Écoute, je lis » :

1. promouvoir la littérature canadienne contemporaine et la lecture;
2. sensibiliser les élèves aux enjeux de la littérature;
3. aider les jeunes à trouver leur voix citoyenne par les arts.

« Ce projet a connu un immense succès l'an dernier en permettant à plus de 1 000 élèves de la 1<sup>re</sup> à la 12<sup>e</sup> année dans 38 écoles du Canada de lire des livres et de s'entretenir avec 18 auteures et auteurs différents, tous lauréats des Prix littéraires du Gouverneur général, fort prestigieux », mentionne le président de la FCE, Paul Taillefer. « C'est avec grand plaisir que nous avons lu les évaluations positives des enseignantes et enseignants qui affirment que ce projet a donné aux élèves des occasions d'apprentissage authentique. »

Le court article et la vidéo qui se trouvent à l'adresse suivante présentent de l'information supplémentaire : [http://www.ctf-fce.ca/priorities/default.aspx?ArtID=1980&year=2012&index\\_id=28095&lang=FR](http://www.ctf-fce.ca/priorities/default.aspx?ArtID=1980&year=2012&index_id=28095&lang=FR).

Financé par le Conseil des Arts du Canada, la FCE, la CCU et la Fondation de la famille J.W. McConnell, le projet « Écoute, je lis » a été lancé en 2011 pour célébrer le 25<sup>e</sup> anniversaire de la CDPP, le 75<sup>e</sup> anniversaire des Prix littéraires du Gouverneur général, l'Année internationale de la jeunesse et la Décennie des Nations Unies pour l'alphabétisation. Le programme Imagineaction de la FCE vise à faire participer les jeunes à des projets d'action sociale liés à leurs communautés scolaire et locale. Pour plus d'information : [www.imagine-action.ca](http://www.imagine-action.ca).

### Looking for Help Dealing with Student Mental Health?

Crisis and Trauma Resource Institute Inc. are offering the following workshops:

April 18, 2013

Anxiety - Practical Intervention

Charlottetown, PEI

Crisis and Trauma Resource Institute Inc.

[www.ctrinstitute.com/peipw.html](http://www.ctrinstitute.com/peipw.html)

April 19, 2013

Depression – Practical Intervention Strategies

Charlottetown, PEI

Crisis and Trauma Resource Institute Inc.

[www.ctrinstitute.com/peipw.html](http://www.ctrinstitute.com/peipw.html)

May 8, 2013  
Dealing with Difficult People  
Charlottetown, PEI  
ACHIEVE Training Centre  
[www.achievecentre.com/peipw.html](http://www.achievecentre.com/peipw.html)

May 9, 2013  
Assertive Communication  
Charlottetown, PEI  
ACHIEVE Training Centre  
[www.achievecentre.com/peipw.html](http://www.achievecentre.com/peipw.html)

June 11, 2013  
Understanding Mental Illness  
Charlottetown, PEI  
Crisis and Trauma Resource Institute Inc.  
[www.ctrinstitute.com/peipw.html](http://www.ctrinstitute.com/peipw.html)

June 12-14, 2013  
Counselling Skills – An Introduction and Overview  
Charlottetown, PEI  
Crisis and Trauma Resource Institute Inc.  
[www.ctrinstitute.com/peipw.html](http://www.ctrinstitute.com/peipw.html)

National Eating Disorder Information Centre presents:  
Body-Image and Self-Esteem Conference May 9-10, 2013 Toronto, Ontario

Registration is NOW open!

Full 2 day conference rates:  
Early bird: \$295 Regular: \$325  
Student and one-day rates available <http://conference.nedic.ca/>

Keynote speakers:

Dr. Susie Orbach - Navigating our Culture's Body Anxiety and Finding Ways to Fight Back  
Dr. Joanne Dolhanty & Dr . Adele Lafrance Robinson - Mothers and Daughters: Attachment Emotions, and Food & Weight Preoccupation  
Anita Sarkeesian - I'll Make a Man Out of You: Redefining Strong Female Characters  
Jenni Schaefer - Almost Anorexic: Does Everyone Have an Eating Disorder?

Topics include:

- Males and body-image issues
- Appearance-based bullying
- Support groups on campus
- Eating disorders and obesity
- Social inequities and weight and shape issues
- Media literacy: critical thinking
- Families and disordered eating

See the whole program at <http://conference.nedic.ca/>

In partnership with Presenting Sponsor, the Dove Self Esteem Fund, The University of Toronto Faculty of Physical and Health Education, the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario and the Dairy Farmers of Canada

## Juno Beach Centre 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Professional Development Tour for Educators

Every year the Juno Beach Centre holds a 10-day Annual Professional Development Program for Educators. This exciting and educational tour usually begins in late July or early August. It is aimed at high school level Canadian history teachers and educators. The Juno Beach Centre is happy to announce that we will once again be offering this exciting professional development opportunity to Canadian educators in the summer of 2013. The 9th Annual Professional Development Tour for Educators will be held from July 28 to August 6, 2013 inclusive.

[http://www.junobeach.org/Centre/english/education/teacher\\_trip.htm](http://www.junobeach.org/Centre/english/education/teacher_trip.htm)

### CTF Women's Issues Symposium Le Symposium de la FCE sur les questions féminines

The annual CTF Women's Issues Symposium has proven to be a powerful event in which teachers, teacher leaders and community representatives have had an opportunity to connect, dialogue and mobilize around a theme developed in cooperation with the host organizations. This year, we are delighted to announce that "Ending violence against women and girls, for one and for all" is the theme of the 2013 symposium which will be held in Ottawa April 17-18. The theme is extremely timely as it dovetails with this year's 57<sup>th</sup> session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women. Guest speakers will address this issue from a myriad of perspectives including statistical, societal and policy-based.

[http://www.ctf-fce.ca/Events/default.aspx?index\\_id=121323&lang=EN&id=92105](http://www.ctf-fce.ca/Events/default.aspx?index_id=121323&lang=EN&id=92105)

The event will start after the CTF Board of Directors' meeting, in the evening of Wednesday, April 17 and run all day Thursday, April 18 at the CTF office in Ottawa. However, space will be limited to 45 participants, on a first-come, first served basis. The \$250 registration fee (plus taxes) includes shuttle to and from the downtown Marriott Hotel, evening wine and cheese reception, hot breakfast and lunch, nutrition breaks, simultaneous translation and all presentations. Participants are required to make their own travel arrangements and hotel accommodations. Deadline to register and to book your hotel room at the Marriott Hotel is March 13<sup>th</sup>. Rooms have been negotiated on your behalf @ \$144. When booking your hotel room, please click the link below:

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/yowmc-ottawa-marriott-hotel/?toDate=4/19/13&groupCode=CWSCWSA&fromDate=4/17/13&app=resvlink>

Le Symposium de la FCE sur les questions féminines, qui a lieu tous les ans, est devenu un événement influent qui donne aux enseignantes et enseignants, aux porte-paroles de la profession enseignante et aux représentants et représentantes communautaires l'occasion de nouer des liens, de dialoguer et de se mobiliser autour d'un thème élaboré en collaboration avec les organisations hôtes. Nous sommes ravis d'annoncer que le Symposium de cette année, qui se tiendra à Ottawa les 17 et 18 avril prochains, aura pour thème « Mettons fin à la violence contre les femmes et les filles, une fois pour toutes ». Ce thème est tout à fait opportun, car il cadre avec le thème de la 57<sup>e</sup> session de la Commission de la condition de la femme des Nations Unies de cette année. Les conférencières et conférenciers invités aborderont ce sujet dans une myriade de perspectives, dont des perspectives statistiques, sociales et politiques.

[http://www.ctf-fce.ca/Events/default.aspx?index\\_id=121323&id=92105&lang=FR](http://www.ctf-fce.ca/Events/default.aspx?index_id=121323&id=92105&lang=FR)

Le Symposium commencera après la réunion du Conseil d'administration de la FCE, soit dans la soirée du mercredi 17 avril, et se poursuivra toute la journée du jeudi 18 avril au siège de la FCE, à Ottawa.

Mentionnons que le nombre de personnes participantes sera limité à 45 et que les places seront attribuées selon le principe du premier arrivé, premier servi. Le droit d'inscription de 250 \$ (taxes en sus) comprend le transport entre le siège de la FCE et l'Hôtel Marriott situé au centre-ville d'Ottawa, la dégustation de vins et fromages en soirée, le déjeuner et le diner chauds, les pauses-santé, la traduction simultanée et toutes les présentations.

Les personnes participantes doivent faire leurs propres arrangements de voyage et réservations d'hôtel. La date limite pour vous inscrire au Symposium et réserver votre chambre à l'Hôtel Marriott est le 13 mars. Le tarif de la chambre a été négocié en votre nom et sera de 144 \$. Lorsque vous réserverez votre chambre, veuillez cliquer sur le lien ci-dessous :

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/yowmc-ottawa-marriott-hotel/?toDate=4/19/13&groupCode=CWSCWSA&fromDate=4/17/13&app=resvlink>

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