

# <u>Opportunities</u> March 2025

Please see below for a list of upcoming events and opportunities for March 2025 and beyond.

<u>Our website</u> offers free, curriculum-connected lessons and activities for K-12 classrooms. We also offer live learning opportunities such as virtual or in-person tours, webinars, guest speakers, contests, and professional learning. Check the website regularly for opportunities to engage. Alternatively, reach out directly to <u>COE@gnb.ca</u> to collaborate with a Centre Lead.

## Special Workshop for Educators - Future-Ready Teaching: Harnessing AI for Real-World Learning Wednesday, Feb. 19, at 8 p.m.

Co-created by myBlueprint, Google Canada, and Logics Academy, this hands-on session will have you leverage generative Al responsibly and effectively to create authentic, real-world learning opportunities for your students. Have fun, build your confidence with Al, and access prompts to help you prepare your students for the future. Click here to register.

**Reminder to educators:** You can find EECD's "Recommended Approaches for Generative AI" document, and other helpful resources, here - <u>Artificial Intelligence</u>



## David Myles- LIVE, bilingual K-12, virtual concert Friday, March 21, 9 a.m.

Join us for an encore presentation of the award-winning East Coast artist, David Myles, as he performs original and traditional French language songs. Back by popular demand, an engaging and entertaining performer, David will help us end French Week/Semaine de la fierté française with a bang! <u>Click here</u> to register.

#### Celebrate Semaine de la fierté française/French Week! K-12 March 17-21

Whether it's through movement, song, movies, and more, there are so many ways to engage learners in French language learning during Semaine de la fierté française! This year's theme is 'Ma Francophonie en Harmonie'. <u>Click here</u> to access a menu of options and activities for your classroom of FSL learners.

## Manie Musicale – Grade 4-12 all FSL learning, Music, Social Studies March 2025

Êtes-vous prets? It's Manie Musicale month! Integrating Manie Musicale into your FSL classroom can provide a dynamic way to develop intercultural competency. This bracket-style competition is worldwide and a dynamic, fun way to get learners engaged in FSL learning and music. To register to vote <u>click here</u> before March 1!

#### Oral Health Month - Live, Virtual Sessions!

Friday, April 4, 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. – My Wiggly Tooth for K-2 (ENGLISH) Friday, April 4, 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. – Ma Dent Branle for Grade 1-3 (FRENCH)

COE Health, COE Language Learning, and Teach Nutrition Maritimes are teaming up for these interactive sessions celebrating Oral Health Month. Both sessions will include a LIVE reading with author Mireille Messier, as well as hands-on teeth and gum care activities with learners and their favourite stuffed animals! Teddy Bear invitations and **REAL Toothbrushes** will be included in the kit provided. Click here to learn more and register.



## Marshghetti Bridges: Design, Build, Test – Grade 6–8 LIVE Event Tuesday, March 18, at 10 a.m. AND Thursday, March 20, at 10 a.m.

Middle school learners will join COE Skilled Trades and Manufacturing Lead Nathan Langille and industry experts from the Roadbuilders Association of NB in this three-day activity (two virtual connects and a build day in between). On Day 1, students explore careers in road and bridge building, review designs of bridges, and set off on a bridge-building competition. On Day 3, students will reconnect to present/test their structures and submit their best for a chance to win a class pizza party! Materials will be distributed to 40 registered classes, with equitable distribution across schools and districts. To learn more and register for this event, click here.

## Fabricate Your Future 2025 Virtual Keynote Presentation: Candace Carnahan "Step up your Safety" Thursday, April 3, 12:45 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

High school students are invited to virtually join Candace Carnahan, keynote speaker for Fabricate Your Future 2025, to inspire young people to take action and learn about making the correct safety choices when entering the workforce. Candace shares her story with humour and anecdotes that will help students turn everyday choices into powerful opportunities to take charge of their lives, safety, and overall well-being. Candace is passionate about making sure what happened to her doesn't happen to other young workers. Education is empowerment. To learn more and register for this virtual event, click here.

#### **WorkSafe NB Focus on Safety Video Contest**

WorkSafeNB, in collaboration with the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety, is hosting the "Focus on Safety" youth video contest. The contest challenges high school students to create a two-minute original video that captures the importance of working safely. Prizes include cash for both students and their high schools. Deadline to enter is April 2, 2025. To learn more and register for this event, **click here.** 



#### **Digital Learning SharePoint**

The <u>EECD Digital Learning SharePoint</u> is a one-stop shop for all your technology questions, with links to resources on provincial software subscriptions, <u>artificial intelligence</u>, lesson resources, and <u>professional learning opportunities</u>.

#### Cisco Net Academy LEARN-A-THON 2025 Ongoing until May 25, 2025

Cisco Net Academy LEARN-A-THON offers learners 13 and older the challenge to complete six courses, one exam, and one industry certification leading them to their first entry-level job opportunity in the cybersecurity industry. Gain knowledge to excel as an Information Security Analyst, Security Engineer, Pen Tester, Security Architect, Security Software Developer, Security Consultant, and more. Enroll and get more info at **COE-DI Cisco Net Academy LEARN-A-THON**.

#### micro:bit Professional Learning for Middle Level Educators Tuesday, April 1, 4 p.m.

Middle level educators are invited to join us for a virtual afterschool PL on using micro:bits in experiential learning activities, such as this one on <u>Interactive Storytelling.</u> The first 30 registrations will receive a micro:bit club pack (with 10 micro:bit V2) for their school. <u>Click here</u> to register.

#### Introduction to Cybersecurity for Educators course – Canadian Centre for Cybersecurity

This FREE self-paced, online course will provide foundational cybersecurity knowledge to help educators gain the necessary knowledge, skills, and confidence to protect themselves and their students in cyberspace. This course also examines the characteristics of a safe online learning environment, the career streams that exist in the field of cybersecurity, and the many resources that exist to help educators teach cybersecurity to their students. **Click here** to register.



#### COE Health is Celebrating Nutrition Month and Social Workers during the month of March!

#### Social Work Myth-Busting Challenge for Middle and High School Students

Do you and your middle or high school students want to learn more about social work? Join COE Health and the New Brunswick Association of Social Workers for a recorded session to debunk common social work myths and learn more about how these regulated professionals help New Brunswickers every day. <u>Click here</u> to learn more and register!

#### **NEW Mindfulness Nutrition Activities from Teach Nutrition and COE Health:**

#### • Grades K-3 - Sensory Food Activity

This printable kit includes five sense posters, a food work bank, and three activity sheets (tomato, apple, and citrus). Learners will build their vocabulary and use their senses while exploring foods. Educators who register, complete a post-survey, and send pictures will be entered to win a Ninja Supra Kitchen System with a blender and food processor for their classroom! Click here to learn more and register.

#### • Grades 4-9 - Food Word Games

The kit includes two printable games: Word wall and Word cloud. Learners will build their vocabulary and use their senses while exploring foods. Paying attention to your senses is a part of mindfulness and is directly related to self-regulation, both important skills for children to learn. Educators who register, complete a post-survey, and send pictures will be entered to win a Ninja Supra Kitchen System with a blender and food processor for their classroom! Click here to learn more and register.

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#### Grades 9-12: Careers & Economics Presentation from the Bank of Canada Museum

The Bank of Canada Museum is seeking high school teachers to pilot a new Careers & Economics presentation that will explore economics, the role of the central bank, and career pathways to economics and finance. This is a 45-minute, virtual presentation available from March to June 2025 and includes a Q&A session on careers. Click here to register.

#### Grades 6-12: New Presentation from FCNB: Understanding Credit and Debt

Get ready to dive into the world of credit and debt! This engaging session will help you unravel the mysteries of:

- Debt and Credit: Learn the ins and outs of credit cards, lines of credit, and credit contracts. Discover how they work and what they mean for your financial future.
- Total Cost of Credit: Find out about credit reports, credit scores, and credit reporting agencies. You'll also learn the meaning of "total cost of credit" and how all these factors impact your financial health.

<u>Click here</u> to register for a presentation (Must be two or more classes – minimum of 50 learners).

#### Grades 6-12: "Learn About Your Taxes" - National competition with CRA and ChatterHigh

Learners and educators, explore the "Learn About Your Taxes Competition" and your school could win a share of a \$5,000 prize pot! This competition began January 29 and runs until March 7 on a gamified content engagement platform. The competition is for Canadian middle and high school learners and educators and is designed to boost learners' tax literacy and confidence. Click here for more information!

#### Bank of Canada Museum's Award for Excellence in Teaching Economics

<u>Click here</u> to nominate an exceptional teacher (grades 6 to 12) who has brought economics into their classroom in a creative way. Whether they teach history, economics, business, math, or languages, there are many ways to introduce economics concepts. Topics may include early trade in Canada, financial markets, the future of work, inflation and interest, the green economy, or another connected topic. Each award winner will receive a trophy and gift basket, a \$1,000 cash prize, and a \$1,000 prize for their school. Nominations are open until March 2, 2025.



#### Introducing Electricity Now – An all-in-one Resource for Science 10

Electricity Now offers a practical, teacher-friendly "electricity and climate change program in a box" that simplifies complex topics through six modules and 13 engaging lessons, including hands-on activities, multimedia resources, and comprehensive teacher and student notes. For more information and to register and receive access <u>click here</u>. The resource will be available in French and English.

#### Empowering Tomorrow – Youth Energy Conference Monday, April 28, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Engaging New Brunswick high school students in green energy career exploration through hands-on workshops, networking, and energy education.

High school educators and learners from across New Brunswick are invited to the Wu Centre in Fredericton for a day-long event surrounding green energy careers. Hosted by the Gaia Project, in partnership with the Centre of Excellence for Energy and NB Power, "Empowering Tomorrow" will connect clean energy industry experts with hundreds of youth to inspire climate action and engagement in the green economy. Educators in anglophone school districts can register their class, club, or student groups at **no cost**. There are only a few spots left, so act now! For more information and to register your class, **click here.** 

#### K-5 Earth Day Live Action Bingo in French & English!

The Centre of Excellence for Energy is excited to announce this event is returning for a third year, this time split into French & English sessions! Celebrate Earth Day by giving back to our amazing planet!

- Tuesday, April 22, from 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. English K-5 LIVE Session Send-Off Start your Earth Day off with a read aloud of "What Matters" by Alison Hughes and learn from experts from the Gaia Project on how climate change is affecting us here in New Brunswick! Be inspired to then ACT and, as a class, complete the K-5 Action Bingo Challenge! Each registered class will receive an English copy of the read aloud, a BINGO card, and a resource package! Prizes will be awarded. There are 200 seats available. Click here for more information and to register.
- <u>Tuesday, April 22, from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. French 1-5: LIVE Session Send-Off:</u> Start your Earth Day off with a read aloud of "Ce qui compte" by Alison Hughes and learn from experts from the Gaia Project on how climate change is affecting us here in New Brunswick! Be inspired to then ACT and, as a class, complete the K-5 Action Bingo Challenge! Each registered class will receive a French copy of the read aloud, a BINGO card, and a resource package! Prizes will be awarded. There are 200 seats available. **Click here** for more information and to register.

## Get in the Know: Engineering Technologies at NBCC Thursday, Feb. 20, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Whether you're looking for information on post-secondary education as a soon-to-be high school graduate or considering furthering your education and expanding your career path, this is your chance to explore programs at the Saint John and Moncton campuses.

Our programs range across a variety of sectors including Civil, Industrial, Mechanical, Electrical/Electronics, Environmental, and Chemical Engineering. Meet with faculty and staff, ask questions, and discover how an engineering program at NBCC can put you on the path to the career of your dreams. <u>Click here</u> to register today!



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COE Website - Find classroom activities, live events, 1 experiential learning opportunities, career pathway information, speaker series videos and more!



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