How can Nelson help teachers implement the new curriculum?

Nelson Science Inservice

The Nelson Science Inservice Team of teacher workshop leaders is led by full-time seconded science educators. Since September 1999, Nelson has led over 150 workshops helping more than 500 schools using Nelson Science 9 and 10 to implement the new curriculum and resources.

The Nelson Inservice Workshops model is a three-phase process:

**Phase 1:**
Initial Implementation Workshop
This workshop focuses on a general overview of the curriculum, the student and teacher resources features, and instructional designs. A hands-on activity from the Student Text and Student Record of Learning are always part of the workshop.

**Phase 2:**
Assessment and Evaluation Workshop
This workshop helps teachers with planning using the assessment tools in the Nelson Teacher’s Resources, including the Curriculum and Assessment Planning Chart, rubrics, checklists, and self-assessment. The goal of this workshop is to assist teachers with maintaining a balance of instruction and assessment, reflecting the Ontario Science Achievement Chart categories.

**Phase 3:**
Customized Workshops
By cooperatively planning workshops with the Science Consultant, Subject Area Chair, or Department Head, Nelson delivers customized workshops that reflect the specific needs of schools and school boards. Examples of these customized workshops might include:
- Integrating technology into the curriculum
- Establishing linkages between Biology, Chemistry, and Physics
- Optimizing STSE

Feedback from Nelson Science Inservice Participants:

“An excellent presentation! Great suggestions for curriculum and assessment planning, a workable approach to implementing the new curriculum, the assessment guidelines, and using Nelson Science resources.”
—teacher, TDSB

“Without question, this was the most effective and useful workshop/inservice provided for us in years! Thank you.”
—teacher, York Region RCSSB

“Very helpful, nice pace, and I appreciated the practical application focus.”
—teacher, Upper Grand District School Board

“We do appreciate your efforts. I grow in confidence (just a bit) each time I have an opportunity such as this.”
—teacher, Lambton-Kent District School Board

“Congratulations on your hard work. You have done a super job in preparing teachers with the proper tools to teach the new science curriculum.”
—teacher, York Region RCSSB

“An excellent presentation. I wish we had this earlier so we could have planned both curriculum and assessment more effectively.”
—teacher, Lambton-Kent District School Board

“Great inservice. Very informative and practical. I like the way it (the student text, TR) fits in with the Ministry expectations.”
—teacher, York Catholic District School Board

“The speaker was exceptional. Excellent integration of the ‘ideal’ with the practical ‘reality’ of our situation. Bridged the gap realistically. Well done. I enjoyed the workshop and learned a lot.”
—teacher, York Catholic District School Board

“I loved the text and so do the kids. The teacher resource is very valuable. I really like the changes in Nelson Science 10, over Nelson Science 9. Thanks for making science approachable.”
—teacher, Ottawa-Carleton District School Board

“The best class we have had this year. Finally some practical suggestions on how to make this new curriculum work.”
—student, Faculty of Education
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