

DISTRICT MYBLUEPRINT NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2019

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Increasing the meaningful usage of myBlueprint in our district is important. Teachers and Administrators will find links to useful resources as well as updates to the program and possible implementation ideas for your classroom.

1) Updates 5 & 6

Title: The Importance of Financial Literacy

November is Financial Literacy Month in Canada - a month to support the development of financial health and literacy in our students.

Today's youth are faced with a plethora of complex financial decisions and many young people are ill-equipped to make good economic choices. By teaching students about money early on, we can increase their financial literacy, building their understanding of personal finances, the economy, and the results of their consumer activity. Popular classroom lessons include identifying money and costs, the importance of saving, consumer awareness, and understanding wants vs. needs. By opening up these discussion topics in school, we can prompt students to talk about money with their families, bridging the gap between learning and real-life application. This can inspire students to start saving money, make good consumer choices, and set financial goals.

To engage today's youth, it is important to create an interactive and multimedia experience when teaching them about finance. myBlueprint has a number of features and tools that can support educators and families with this topic.

Want to learn more about how to support Financial Literacy using All About Me (K-6) Portfolio?

Download the grade-specific Financial Literacy lesson plans (there are 12 in total). See below for an example from the Grade 1 - Identifying Canadian Coins lesson (add media and add reflection)





2) UPDATES 7-12

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Want to learn more about how to support Financial Literacy in the Education Planner?

- 1) Have students use the *Money* tool to create a budget for something that they want (i.e. a bike) or their post-secondary plans
- 2) Have students set **S.M.A.R.T. goals** relating to their savings, investments, or post-secondary plans
- 3) Download the grade-specific Financial Literacy lesson plan. See below for an example budget and math goal with reflections in *Portfolios*.





3) MYBLUEPRINT SETTING UP ACCOUNTS SD 60:

ACCOUNT SET UP FOR STUDENTS

- 1. There are TWO platforms in myBlueprint that our district uses:
 - o All About Me (grades 5 & 6)
 - o Education Planner (grades 7-12)
- 2. All information created each year in myBlueprint remains with the student regardless of which school within the district they attend. For students in elementary schools, their accounts do not need to be re-created on an annual basis. If you have students who are not showing up on your list of students this may be due to:
 - o student may be new to the district
 - a student information update from the district to myBlueprint is in progress and/or not complete
- 3. Students in grades 7-12 MUST create an account on an annual basis. Their information from previous years will still be connected to the student. To create an account, student MUST us the link create for SD 60:
 - o www.myblueprint.ca/sd60
 - o Click on "sign up" at the top of the page
 - o Select your school will permit students to select their SD60 school site
 - o Follow the steps in the account creation as prompted keeping in mind:
 - · students MUST use their learn60 email account
 - students DO NOT require a PEN or activation code to create an account.
 Simply skip over the request for a PEN during account creation.

Please do contact us if in need of support!

SETTING UP ACCOUNTS FOR TEACHERS & SCHOOL COUNSELLORS

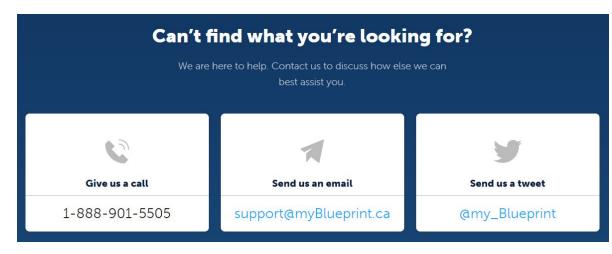


Please email cchretien@prn.bc.ca for account requests & set-up.

4) MYBLUEPRINT IDEAS FOR NOVEMBER

November

- 1. Participate in the All About Me Scholarship Contest for a chance to win one of three \$1,000 scholarships!
- 2. Take Our Kids to Work Day Activities Package aimed at grade 9 level
- 3. Follow @my_Blueprint on Twitter and subscribe to our Educator Blog
- 4. Try experiential learning and work experience
- Use myBlueprint portfolios to demonstrate student learning
- 6. Financial Literacy Website: http://www.edugains.ca/newsite/FinancialLit/index.html



MYBLUEPRINT SUGGESTED RESOURCES

Support Centre

Lesson Plans, Curriculum Connections, Exemplar Portfolios, and more!

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