MAKE and TAKE
Professional Development Day for Educators
October 3, 2015

St Francis
College of Education
SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 3, 2015

7:30 | Check in Begins
• Moser Performing Arts Center

8:00 | Keynote Address & Breakfast
• Britta McKenna, Chief Innovation Officer at IMSA
  “Give Up, Catch Up, or Keep Up with Innovation? An Educator’s Dilemma”

9:30 – 10:30 | Session I Workshops
• Sexton Auditorium: Beyond the Keynote:
  Using Design Thinking to Make Change in your Classroom
• Room N307: The Servant Leadership-Oriented Classroom
• Room N218: Reach & Teach: Socio-Emotional Competencies for Teachers and Students
• Room N221: Before Common Core: Shifting Our Thinking Before we Begin to Teach

10:35 – 11:35 | Session II Workshops
• Room N217: Formative Assessment Fun
• Room N219: Not All Questions are Created Equal:
  The Art of Involving Students in Classroom Questioning
• Room N225: Crafting Writers without Crushing Spirits: A Child’s Perspective

11:35 - 11:55 | Snack Time
• Gallery outside Sue Manner Turk Theater

11:55 - 12:55 | Session III Workshops
• Sexton Auditorium: Brain-Based Learning - It Works!
• Room N217: Make Amazing Student Projects with Free Apps
• Room N307: The Write Way: Authentic Writing in All Disciplines
• Room N218: Preparing your Special Education Classroom for Common Core and PARCC

1:00 - 2:00 | Session IV Workshops
• Sexton Auditorium: Brain-Based Learning - It Works!
• Room N221: Giving Purpose to a Life-Skills Program
• Room N217: Making Green-Screen Movies
• Room N219: Integrate to Invigorate

2:00 | Return Evaluations and Pick Up ISBE Evidence of Completion Forms
• Gallery outside Sue Manner Turk Theater
Keynote Speaker
Britta McKenna

Britta McKenna is an innovator, philanthropist, dot connector, entrepreneur and community leader with a knack for nurturing new ideas. McKenna is currently the Chief Innovation Officer at the Illinois Math and Science Academy (IMSA) where she founded the IMSA Kids Institute, developing educational entrepreneurial programs. Britta’s passion for innovation in education is sure to make the following keynote address dynamic and thought-provoking for all educators in attendance.

Give Up, Catch Up, or Keep Up with Innovation?
An Educator’s Dilemma

Don’t look now, but your students want more than the three R’s for their school experience. Innovation, technology, entrepreneurship and the Maker Movement are changing what our students want to do and be in the future beyond what we can imagine today. Schools and teachers need to figure out how to respond to the DIY generation of makers emerging and be prepared to reshape education. In an information-rich age of smart phones, online learning, coding, gamification, apps, Internet of Things and digital badges, are today’s schools ready for tomorrow’s students?

Workshop Presenters

Kelly Boley
Shirley Creamer
Kim Eger
Joan Grupka
Nick Hildreth
Kim Knigge
Britta McKenna
Dr. Steve Midlock
Heidi Morgan
Adam Page
Jason Pascavage
Tiffany Staab
Jessica Thomas
Emily Wyss
**WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS**

**Beyond the Keynote: Using Design Thinking to Make Change in Your Classroom**  
*For All Instructors | Presented by Britta McKenna*  
If the keynote address looks intriguing to you and you'd like to do a deeper dive into changing something at your school or in your classroom, this session is for you. Keynote speaker Britta McKenna, IMSA Chief Innovation Officer, guides you through a one-hour design thinking exercise where you’ll work individually or with a team to redesign something you want changed and take home with you a framework to get started.

**Giving Purpose to a Life-Skills Program**  
*For Special Education Instructors, Coordinators, Department Chairs, and Administrators  
Presented by Nick Hildreth*  
This workshop will be an overview of how a Developmental Learning Program (DLP) gives students with multiple disabilities purpose by educating them with functional and social projects to promote independence and instill a confidence that leaves students job-ready when they leave the program. The presentation will be supplemented with a video of the program in place at DuPage High School District 88.

**Preparing Your Special Education Classroom for Common Core and PARCC**  
*For K - 12 Special Education Instructors or co-taught General Education Instructors  
Presented by Tiffany Staab*  
This workshop will give educators ready-to-use technology and applications to use with special needs students with varying degrees of needs. Technology aligns to Common Core and PARCC technology platforms.

**Brain-Based Learning -- It Works!**  
*For All Instructors | Presented by Joan Grupka*  
Brain-based strategies improve student retention and performance. Twelve basic principles of student-centered, active brain-based methods are founded in neuroscience to trigger learning in engaging and exciting ways. Movement, music, emotions, patterning and connections, parallel processing/peripheral perception, relaxed alertness and down-time, celebrations, novelty, five-senses, visualization, and collaboration are some engaging, energizing techniques. This workshop will involve participants by using these BB strategies/methods during the presentation. Videos, pictures, PowerPoint, handouts, and other e-resources will add to the content.

**The Write Way: Authentic Writing in All Disciplines**  
*For Grade 6 - 12 Instructors, Support Staff | Presented by Jessica Thomas and Adam Page*  
Writing helps us think. It helps us organize our thoughts. So, how do we use writing as an instructional tool without giving up time from our content? This workshop will focus on writing strategies for any discipline.

**Not all Questions are Created Equal: The Art of Involving Students in Classroom Questioning**  
*For All Instructors | Presented by Jason Pascavage*  
Improve student engagement and learning by evaluating teacher questioning techniques with the goal of using concepts from this session to develop questions leading to more intentional and higher level cognitive questions.

**Crafting Writers Without Crushing Spirits: A Child’s Perspective**  
*For Grade 4 - 8 Instructors, ELA | Presented by Emily Wyss*  
This workshop will provide instructional strategies that will increase students' skills and appreciation for writing and will give tips on how to avoid the common instructional mistakes made that crush creativity by providing the students' perspective of the writing process.
Integrate to Invigorate
For Grade K - 8 Instructors, ELA | Presented by Kim Knigge
When it comes to effective technology integration, it’s less about the tools and more about how you use them. This session will highlight tech tools, but more importantly, will share creative ways to integrate technology across the curriculum.

Reaching Middle School Readers
For Grade 6 - 8 Language Arts or Special Education Instructors, Reading Specialists Presented by Kelly Boley
This workshop will highlight new and engaging books for middle school students. Participants will be exposed to categories of books geared toward various groups: books for boys, books for girls, book series, Utopian novels, and sports books. The presentation will highlight the benefits of student choice in motivating readers as well as highlight the benefits of the reading workshop in the middle school classroom. Tips and guidance for the workshop method will also be shared.

Before Common Core: Shifting Our Thinking Before We Begin to Teach
For Grade K - 8 Instructors | Presented by Shirley Creamer
This presentation will provide quality tools for better classroom management. Participants will discover their strengths and weaknesses and suggestions will be provided for how to overcome those weaknesses and maximize strengths. The presentation will discuss the following: mental and physical well being of self, classroom set-up, proximity and mobility, preparation, procedures, tips of effective teachers, classroom climate, leadership style in the classroom, and sacrifice.

Formative Assessment Fun
For Grade 3 - 8 Instructors | Presented by Heidi Morgan
Have fun learning about and using no-tech to high-tech formative assessment tools and strategies. Participants should bring a device (i.e., tablet, smart phone, laptop, or chromebook).

Make Amazing Student Projects with Free Apps
For Grade 3 - 8 Instructors with at least 1 iPad in their classroom | Presented by Heidi Morgan
Explore free apps that allow students to draw on their creativity to create amazing products of their learning. Participants should download these apps before the session: Puppet Pals 2, Lego Movie Maker, Book Creator, ChatterPix Kids, YAKiT Kids, and Adobe Voice.

Making Green-Screen Movies
For Grade K - 8 Instructors with at least 1 iPad in their classroom | Presented by Heidi Morgan
It is fun and easy to make full size and mini green-screen movies in your classroom! Learn how to make green-screen videos in this session. Please bring your iPad with the Green Screen by Do Ink app installed.

The Servant Leadership-Oriented Classroom
For All Instructors | Presented by Dr. Steve Midlock
What is Servant Leadership and how can it become a part of your classroom culture? In this workshop you will learn the answer to these questions as well as how you can teach your students to become servant leaders. You will leave this workshop with ideas about how to implement classroom practices that promote the concept of Servant Leadership.

Reach and Teach: Socio-Emotional Competencies for Teachers and Students
For Instructors who work with high risk students or diverse learning environments | Presented by Kim Eger and Donna Herman
This workshop will focus on integrating socio-emotional learning components into the classroom for both the teacher and the students. Participants will learn and understand how to connect and reach all students, especially those students with diverse needs. Additionally, participants will learn how to discipline and modify behaviors to ensure a safe learning environment without demeaning or embarrassing, thus creating an environment of trust.
SAVE THE DATES

Interested in presenting at READ 2016 this Spring?
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Questions?
Contact Amy Mihelich, Conference and Outreach Coordinator
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SPRING 2016

Registration for Spring courses opens November 2015
Spring semester will run January 18th to May 9th
Most courses begin January 18th or March 14th
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On-campus and Online
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READ for Educators
Reading Engagement And Development

Saturday
March 12, 2016
8 a.m. - 2 p.m. | $30 per attendee