# THE PRAIRIE PAGE

Articles Requested: The Christian Educators Journal (each PCCE school receives one or more copies as part of your membership), is now requesting submissions for articles for next year. Many of you have wonderful things happening in your school and classrooms and it would be great to share them! Writing an article could also be part of your Professional Growth Plan for next year!!!

Upcoming themes:

- Music proposals due June 21
- Classroom Management proposals due August 26
- Field Trips and Travel proposals due October 18
- Resources Review proposals due December 13

### LIVING

Over the next few weeks, this part of The Page will contain excerpts from the article, "What is Transformative Christian Education?" (from *Transformational Education: A Framework for Christian Teaching*). While we finish out the year, it can be important to draw us back to our big "WHY?"

**Part 3:** Students will understand that they are invited to participate in the great mandate to develop, and steward God's world, the great commission to be witnesses to God's coming Kingdom, the great command to love as Jesus loves and the great communion to participate in the covenant of God's people. They learn to be "God's people in God's place under God's rule."

## LEARNING

**Faith Integration Resource For Math:** Dr. Valorie L. Zonnefeld, from Dordt University, has developed a resource, <u>Faith Contexts for Math</u>, that could be very helpful for Christian school math teachers. The goal of the resource "is to provide resources for a coherent integration of faith and perspectival considerations throughout K-12 mathematics education." Zonnefeld offers a list of essential questions for each grade level and the different high school math units connected with a potential Throughline focus. Some examples:

- High School Algebra What patterns and relationships did God embed in creation? (O-D = Order Discovering)
- Grade 6 How can mathematics help us explore and learn about creation? (C-E = Creation Enjoying). This one comes with <u>a link</u> to a supporting Prezi.
- Kindergarten How can understanding and using mathematics help build community? (C-B = Community Building)

Levity for the Final Stretch: Here is a student response to a Social Studies question-

Quiz Question - Name 6 animals that live in the Arctic. Student Response - Two polar bears. Four seals.

Help encourage your fellow teachers by sending your funniest student responses to jhorlings@pcce.ca.

### LEADING

2024-25 Dates: Please add the following dates to your calendar for next year:

- March 8: PCCE Governance & Leadership Conference and AGM
- May 7-9: Leadership Cohort Gathering

Reminder: Gayle is currently on Professional Leave. Please send your requests or

questions to Ruth (<u>office@pcce.ca</u>), Jeremy (<u>jhorlings@pcce.ca</u>) or Hugo (<u>hvanderhoek@pcce.ca</u>). Gayle will be periodically checking her email, so if you need to contact her, please send an email but be aware that there may be a bit of delay in responding.

# LOOKING AHEAD

September 25-27 Christian Schools Canada Leadership Conference

October 24-25 2024 PCCE Teachers' Convention

March 8 PCCE Governance & Leadership Conference and AGM

May 7-9 Leadership Cohort Gathering

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