Diversified Basic Education Program for English Adult Learners in Québec, March 2018



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The Launch

FEEDBACK

This 2017/2018 academic year, is a year where many teachers have started to implement new DBE adult education courses. Of course, with any new reform comes adaptation and consequently pertinent questions followed by feedback and hopefully discussion.

This process is easier when it comes to class instruction than when it comes to final exams, considering that many adult education exams are delivered to teachers rather than constructed by them.

However, the MEES process of administering exams comes with the ability to provide feedback. And, teacher feedback is encouraged and requested, especially in this early stage of implementation.

Your comments, ideas, suggestions, and questions <u>can only be submitted by using</u> <u>a Ministerial form (link provided)</u>. It is important to use it, since some exams are still in prototype form and may still be revised. Your commentary can serve as invaluable information for any changes or additions to be made in the future.





April 11, 2017 9:30 am - 12:30 pm <u>Collective Corrections for "New DBE</u> <u>PROCEDE Placement Tests"</u>

Are you interested in using the ENG and FRE DBE PROCEDE placement tests in your Adult Centre? All administrative and educational staff are welcome to attend.

This short workshop includes:

- Review of the new ENG and FRE Sec. 3, 4, 5 literacy demands
- Step by step instructions
- Collective corrections
- Applicant samples

Register Here



FEBRUARY 19, 2018 DBE PROVINCIAL WORKSHOP

On February 19, 2018, 30 teachers, 10 pedagogical consultants and 3 program coordinators attended the DBE provincial workshop for English Language Arts, French Second Language and Social Sciences programs.

This professional development session was a clear continuation of the September 27, 2017 workshop, where activities and discussions focused primarily on demystifying MEES criterion referenced rubrics and on how the interpretation of these affects teacher instruction.

Regardless of a teacher's adult centre location, class structure, or subject, the common concern was the seemingly ambiguous vocabulary used in MEES evaluation guides. The vocabulary used to instruct teachers can be, and is being interpreted in several different ways by teachers, resulting in

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Adult Learner Evaluation Guide

different marking schemes as well as different class instruction for the same end of course outcome.

This workshop was an attempt at clarifying course demands and standardizing class instruction.

- 2 Adult learner evaluation guides were created for ENG 4111-1 and 5101-1
- 1 Collective correction for FRE 5103 was offered
- Material and resources for the "New" History of Quebec and Canada were presented, and its mock exam with evaluation grids were reviewed.

The articles below will provide readers with a more detailed overview of the workshop, and pertinent links.

English and Plays 5101-1

Do your students need sample monologue texts and videos to help them prepare for the final end of course evaluation? <u>www.stageagent.com</u> is a great website that provides the necessary resources. Users can choose from many categorized genres, and filter them by available videos for better understanding and preparation. And, don't forget to distribute student friendly, but Ministry compatible, evaluation guides for a clear direction of end of course outcomes.

English and Poetry 4111-1

Finding poems is not usually a problem, but hearing them being recited sometimes is.

www.poetryoutloud.org is a great website that provides both, and so much more. Click on the poems and performance tab to find what you need. Using this resource in conjunction with a student friendly evaluation guide, is a sure way to clarify the performance aspects of this course.





GETTING READY FOR THE FUTURE: HISTORY OF QUEBEC AND CANADA

On Februray 19, 2018, Paul Rombough, a LEARN Consultant for Social Sciences, presented course resources, tools, and strategies for the upcoming History of Quebec and Canada course at a provincial DBE workshop. As Paul reports, "This session introduced teaching strategies for the new History programs, as well as where to find adaptable digital resources on the LEARN and RECITUS web sites, and also through the "Communauté Histoire du Qué bec et du Canada" (a MEES-sponsored community of Secondary 3 and 4 and now Adult Education teachers!) Historical thinking skills as well as competency-based teaching strategies were introduced, practiced, and set as a basis for designing future lessons. We covered evaluation, the so-called Intellectual Operations to be targeted on future exams, and how to plan according to the new program content and its two central competencies." If you were unable to attend the workshop, but would like access to the material that was presented please visit:

The History section of LEARN
http://learnquebec.ca/history
The Powerpoint used is temporarily available
http://tiny.cc/learnadultppt2018
Historical Thinking concepts visit
http://tiny.cc/learnadultppt2018
Historical Thinking concepts visit
http://historicalthinking.ca
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L'ÉQUIPECHOC Pédagogique

Lors de l'atelier de correction collective pour le cours FRE-5103 - Volet production écrite - nous avons d'abord exploré les outils de



correction. Nous avons pris le temps de définir ensemble ce qui était attendu de l'élève à l'aide de la grille d'observation dans le but de muscler notre jugement professionnel. Cela nous a permis d'en arriver à une correction plus uniforme des textes que nous avions sous la main et également de réfléchir à comment enseigner certains éléments. Pour ceux qui aimerait en savoir plus ou qui n'ont pu se joindre à nous, j'offrirai de nouveau cet atelier en collaboration avec la responsable du programme de FLS lors du congrès de l'AQIFGA.

- Veronique Bernard

Direction du service de formation générale adulte et professionnelle Commission scolaire de la Seigneurie-des-Mille-Îles



Saying what you really mean, and presenting it well



Nathalie Mailhot is the owner of Master your Authentic Voice. As a Speaking & Presentation Skills Coach she helps teens, business owners and teachers with the various parts of speaking. On the Feb. 19,

2018 DBE workshop she broke down some techniques to help teach and evaluate the ENG competency 1: Uses Language. The focus was on vocal variety, gestures and dabbled in a bit of the structure. She provided an engaging presentation with useful and practical tools for teachers. <u>www.nathaliemailhot.com</u>



MATH: AN OVERVIEW OF THE DBE MATH PROGRAM

Distribution of Courses

Level Secondary III		Number of courses	Total hours of instruction	
		Three 50-hour courses	150 hours	
Secondary IV	CST option	Two 25-hour courses One 50-hour course	100 hours	
	TS option	Three 50-hour courses	150 hours	
	S option	Three 50-hour courses	150 hours	
Secondary V	CST option	Two 25-hour courses One 50-hour course	100 hours	
	TS option	Three 50-hour courses	150 hours	
	S option	Three 50-hour courses	150 hours	
Optional Secondary V subjects		Two 50-hour courses	100 hours	

The Three Math Options



PROCEDE would like to thank Sonia Boulais, Vanessa Boily, and Martin Francoeur from Carrefour FGA for sharing their knowledge and expertise toward the creation of this video.

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Equivalent Math Courses and "Les Passerelles": Tools to Help with Registration



College Admission Information for All Subjects

The <u>College Admissions</u> document informs us of the prerequisite courses for each CEGEP program. It also informs us of the acceptable combinations of old and new courses.



- New Definition of Evaluation Domains (DEDs) will be released on July 1, 2018 for CST IV. Starting July 1st, students will have 3 hours to complete the CST IV exams.
- In response to teacher feedback, a clear set of highlighting instructions and a new Criterion Reference Rubric will be released July 1, 2018 for DBE math. Teachers are allowed to share the Criterion Reference Rubric with their students <u>but not the Information</u> <u>Gathering Tool.</u>
- Corrected math exams for SN-4171 and SN-4172 are gradually being sent to the Sanctions Representative for each school board. The Sanctions Representative will send the corrected exams to each Centre Director and/or Ped-Consultant.
- Versions D, E, and F for each CST IV and SN IV course code will be released over the next 12 months.

MATH RESOURCES:

• **Pretests and Solution Keys:** CST IV pretests and their corresponding solution keys can be accessed via the DBE website. Thank you to the team at RSB for providing them.

A new pretest is now available for SN-4171. Thank you to Julie Vall**é** e (ETSB) for sharing!

- Course Packs for Level III Math: A set of manuals for MTH-3051, MTH-3052, MTH-3053 were created by CS Chic-Choc. The goal of these manuals is to close the gap of knowledge and skills between the old level III program and the new level IV program. They can be found at <u>http://matfga.weebly.com/</u> for your review.
- **SOFAD Textbooks:** All CST IV and SN IV books should be available by May 2018.

COMPETENCY EXPLANATION TABLE

The following table was completed at the PROCEDE Workshop on Evaluation. It aims to strengthen our understanding of the Criterion Reference Rubric. Thank you to the workshop participants for completing this document.



PROBLEM-SOLVING TEMPLATE

The following Problem–Solving Template was created to help our students understand and practice the requirements stated in the Criterion–Reference Rubric. This template can be attached to each Situational Problem that is administered in class.





New Learning and Evaluation Situations (LESs) for Math!

PROCEDE would like to thank Lynn Travers and Carrefour FGA for translating the following LESs and making them available on Alexandrie.



LESs are a great way to assess student understanding of the essential knowledge concepts. Once a student has completed a LS in the SOFAD book (see diagram below), an LES can be used to assess the same knowledge concepts under a different context. LESs can also be used as a formative assessment tool.



Figure 1: Breakdown of a SOFAD Learning Situation

If you are interested in writing an LES for a math or science course of your choice, please write to sfiocco02@lbpearson.ca. Teachers will be paid for 10 days of work.



CHEMISTRY

The following table presents the content of the courses in the Chemistry program

Courses			
Title	Hours/ Credits	Compulsory Concepts	
CHE-5061-2 Chemistry: Gases and Energy	50 hours 2 credits	Chemical properties of gases Reactivity Physical properties of gases Kinetic theory of gases General gas law Ideal gas law Dalton's law Avogadro's hypothesis Molar volume of a gas Energy transfers that occur in reactions Endothermic and exothermic reactions Endothermic and exothermic reactions Energy diagram Activation energy Enthalpy change Molar heat of reaction Relationship between thermal energy, specific heat capacity, mass and temperature variation	
CHE-5062-2 Chemistry: Kinetics and Equilibrium	50 hours 2 credits	Reaction rate Factors that influence the reaction rate Rate law Chemical equilibrium Factors that influence the state of equilibrium Le Châtelier's principle Equilibrium constant Relationship between the pH and the molar concentration of hydronium and hydroxide ions	Cl

Please see the attached course packs for <u>Chem 5061</u> and <u>5062</u>.These course packs were created by Martin Lahaie and translated by Sarah Sisso from Sir Wilfred Laurier School Board. Feel free to complete the English version by sharing your LESs and/or pretests!

Thank you Sarah from SWLSB!

PHYSICS

The following table presents the content of the courses in the Physics program.

Courses					
Title	Hours/ Credits	Compulsory Concepts			
PHS-5061-2 Kinematics and Geometric Optics	50 hours 2 credits	 Kinematics Reference systems Uniform rectilinear motion Uniformly accelerated rectilinear motion Motion of projectiles Geometric optics Snell's laws Images 			
PHS-5062-2 Dynamics and Transformation of Mechanical Energy	50 hours 2 credits	 Dynamics Newton's laws Free-body diagram Equilibrium and resultant of several forces Effective force Force of friction Gravitational force Centripetal force Hooke's law Gravitational acceleration Transformation of energy Relationship between power, work and time Mechanical energy Relationship between nergy, the spring constant and the length variation of a helical spring Relationship between work, force and displacement Relationship between vork and energy Relationship between potential energy Relationship between work and energy Relationship between work and energy Relationship between kinetic energy, mass, acceleration and displacement Relationship between kinetic energy, mass and velocity 			

CHEMISTRY & PHYSICS EXAMS:

The prototype for each Physics and Chemistry course code is scheduled to be released within the next two weeks. BIM will be allowed to release their version once the Ministry prototype is released.

Reminder: We are allowed to adjust the prototype as long as we stay true to the DED. If we modify the prototypes, we have to replace the Ministry logo with our school board logo and indicate on the cover page that it is a modified version on the Ministry exam.

SCT. IV & CHEMISTRY V RESOURCES:

Course Packs for level IV SCT and Chemistry V:

New resources (notes and assignemnts) have been added to the <u>DBE website</u> for SCT IV and Chemistry V. Thank you RSB and SWLSB teachers for sharing!!!

SOFAD:

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The DBE books for Chemistry and Physics are now available on the SOFAD website.

Upcoming Workshop on Chemistry and Physics!!

Based on teacher feedback, PROCEDE will add two more workshops for Chemistry and Physics. More details to come in the next newsletter. Details and registration will be available in the next newsletter.

PROCEDE PROVINCIAL WORKSHOP ON EVALUATION

On February 27th, thirty-five teachers and ped-consultants attended a provincial workshop on evaluation for Math, Science and Technology. Teachers worked with student exemplars to 1) practice the correction process; 2) provide feedback on how to simplify the correction tools; and 3) validate a new rubric for Math. It was a great day of analysis and discussion!

Thank you to Barabra Choquette (BIM), Meggy Hatin-Lé veillé e (BIM), Goran Petrovic (Place Cartier), Bernard Osei-Asamoah (EMSB), Pauline Lalancette (MEES Representative for Math) and Doris St-Amant (MEES Representative for Science and Technology) for facilitating and answering questions.



In case you missed it! Click image to view the power point.





March 15, 2018 IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS

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- Webinaires
- Communautés de partage
- Vidéos

TRÉAQFP

Favorise et promouvoi des services éducatifs de qualité accessibles aux adultes du Québec

ALEXANDRIE FGA

"This is where you can share and find educational material and tools created for and by education personnel from Adult General Education" (http://www2.carrefourfga. com/alexandrie/EN/)

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"Afin d'apporter le support nécessaire aux enseignantes et aux enseignants dans le cadre de la mise en œuvre des nouveaux programmes, la DEAFC offre cette année un accompagnement portant sur différents aspects du programme d'études et de l'évaluation". (http://www.carrefourfga.ca /accompagnement-national/)

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