



## BC Compassionate Systems Leadership Network



### BC Compassionate Systems Leadership Network Update – June 2024

The Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP) and the Ministry of Education and Child Care are continuing to partner in building a BC Compassionate Systems Leadership (CSL) Network.

2023.24 has been a phenomenal year of growth for the CSL work in B.C. Over this year we have worked with nearly 50 school districts and communities, hosted provincial and regional Communities of Practice, and introduced the work to new partners like the BC School Trustees Association. The interest in envisioning systems based on mindfulness and compassion is spreading.

We are currently planning for the 2024.25 school year. Key activities will be:

- Continuing to offer training sessions to school districts, independent schools and community partners. These sessions will range from introductory to more advanced for those already active in CSL practice. We will work to tailor the training to align with local needs, and to build on, rather than divert from, other related initiatives.
- A new “Going Deeper” program provides an opportunity for interested individuals from around the province to grow their knowledge of CSL with an eye to building local capacity.
- Building a framework that posits key CSL concepts in relationship to equity, diversity, inclusion and decolonization work.
- Continuing CSL training with all 48 districts involved with the Strengthening Early Years to Kindergarten initiative.
- Making CSL tools and resources easily accessible on the HELP website.
- Beginning a program of research, in partnership with Dr. Kim Schonert-Reichl and PhD candidate, Suchitra Sarada, to understand the impact of CSL in B.C.

## Cost of Service

- In-district training will be provided at \$1320 per day (6 hours) per facilitator and/or \$220 per hour.
- Preparation time and follow-up coaching/support will be charged at \$220 per hour.
- Amounts will be negotiated between the district/school and the Network Director, and a formal agreement completed.
- In person, virtual and hybrid options will be available.
- Costs for facilitator travel, venue, refreshments and/or educator replacement will be borne by the school/district.
- Going Deeper will be offered \$1400 per participant for the year-long program.
- All other aspects of the Network are supported by the Ministry of Education and Child Care.

## Next Steps

You can initiate training and development for your school and/or district by:

- Reaching out to the Network Coordinator or Director (contact info below) directly to explore the options that are the best fit for your school/district.

On behalf of the Ministry of Education and Child Care and the Human Early Learning Partnership we are excited to continue our work with you towards building compassionate systems leadership in BC Education.



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*Compassion is the keen awareness of the interdependence of all things.*

*Thomas Merton*