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From: Bansal, Mindy CITZ:EX
Sent: January 28, 2019 10:00 AM
To: Sobhana Jaya Madhavan
Subject: Re: SFU Developing Minds teacher conference Friday, January 15; invitation to deliver opening remarks

Good morning Sobhana, great meeting you Saturday and thank you for the invite I will definitely confirm with Minister to see if we can fit this in.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 26, 2019, at 8:22 PM, Sobhana Jaya Madhavan S.22 > wrote:

FYI, Mindy and really hope Minister Sims can join us.

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From: FASS AD Assistant <fassecc@sfu.ca>
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Subject: SFU Developing Minds teacher conference Friday, January 15; invitation to deliver opening remarks

Sent on behalf of Associate Dean Catherine Murray, Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences, Simon Fraser University

The Honourable Jinny Sims, M.L.A.
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Dear Minister,
On behalf of the joint sponsors, the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences and the Faculty of Education of Simon Fraser University, I am very pleased to invite you to Developing Minds through Reading and Writing: Practical Strategies for Critical Thinking in the Curriculum. The conference will be held at Simon Fraser University (Harbour Centre, Vancouver) on Friday, February 15th 2019. We would be especially honoured if you would present some brief opening remarks. We are also approaching the Honourable Minister Robert Fleming; Honourable Minister

Melanie Mark sent her apologies in response to our earlier Save the Date notification.

This one-day conference brings educators and administrators from BC secondary schools and post-secondary institutions together to share and explore key concepts and practices in teaching critical thinking skills through the literary arts at secondary levels. Building on the success of our 2018 event, this conference will focus on implementing critical thinking in classrooms through the literary arts and humanities. With a focus on critical reading and writing, the one-day workshop and break-out session format presents key speakers who will share their experience in the field alongside interactive roundtable discussion to develop practical strategies and comprehensive lesson plans for teachers.

Deanna Reder, a Cree-Métis scholar and professor in First Nations Studies and the Department of English at SFU, is our keynote speaker. She will be speaking on Indigenizing the Writing Curriculum, presenting an overview of current research and practice, and providing resources for educators. Recently elected to the College of the Royal Society of Canada, she is recognised for her scholarship promoting the importance of Indigenous literature within Canada's literary canon.

We look forward to welcoming you to the conference.

Sincerely,

Catherine Murray, Associate Dean
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