

# **Taking Action for Positive Change**



# PRESENTED BY



## Sue Jackson

SERIES SESSIONS Date Time October 05, 2017 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

## LOCATION St. Paul Centre - 124-24 Ave. NE

# \$55.00

### **QUESTIONS?**

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## Program

## TARGET AUDIENCE: GRADES 4-9 TEACHERS AND LEARNING LEADERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

Teaching social justice in the classroom is crucial for preparing young people to become responsible global citizens in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. One of the most important roles of an educator is to help students develop the critical thinking, collaboration and self-reflection skills necessary to foster a better society. Attend this interactive session to examine "project-based inquiry" where teaching and learning is about deep understanding, application and social action. Teach with purpose through the exploration of compelling problems and issues that connect to "big ideas" such as tolerance, respect, understanding, and diversity. Help students use knowledge in ways that improve the world around us!

This session will focus on:

- development of a global mindset
- fostering a classroom community of conscience a culture of respect, openness, and self-reflection
- assisting students in discovering who they are and how they can find their "inner" advocate to become change agents
- using strategies and techniques to foster critical analysis of current issues and topics
- promoting an understanding of various equity issues using current events and students' lives
- building students' leadership skills
- exploring ethical decision-making through identification of a problem, discussion of merits and challenges of various solutions, and analysis of the potential impact of suggested solutions
- stimulating open-ended investigations that promote deep thought-processes and 2<sup>pt</sup> century competencies

This learning opportunity is being offered through curriculum implementation funding from Alberta Education.

## Presenters

## Sue Jackson

is an enthusiastic and innovative speaker, author, consultant and educator. Prior to her role as Scholastic's National Literacy Consultant, Sue was a Learning Coordinator for the Thames Valley DSB in Ontario where she assisted teachers with the implementation of provincial and board literacy initiatives. Additionally, Sue has taught courses for the University of Western Ontario and she has written many educational publications, including Scholastic's *Moving Up* and *Stepping Up* resources. As a classroom teacher for 20 years, Sue brings a wealth of experience and a passion for hands-on, inquiry-based learning to her sessions.



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