

## Math and Science Gr 7,8,9 Drop-in Conversations

Presented By: **Wanda Dechant & Jackie Ratkovic**

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### Date(s) & Time(s)

October 13, 2021: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

October 27, 2021: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

November 10, 2021: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

November 24, 2021: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

December 08, 2021: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

January 12, 2022: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

January 26, 2022: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

February 09, 2022: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

March 02, 2022: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

March 16, 2022: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

April 06, 2022: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

May 11, 2022: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

May 25, 2022: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

June 08, 2022: 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM

### Venue:

Online -

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## About the Session

### TARGET AUDIENCE: Grades 7, 8 & 9 Math and Science Educators

Do you find it helpful to brainstorm about challenges and ideas with a group of colleagues who teach the same courses? Join our Jr. High drop-in Math and Science evenings to:

- Ask about your specific challenges
- Share resources and ideas
- Listen to the questions and ideas from others

These drop in times require no commitment, just register for the “series” and then join in when it works for you. Each conversation will depend on the questions and items that the group shares. This is an opportunity to connect and learn from each other and to customize your own professional learning!

The time is 30 mins, plus 15 mins for “overflow”. When conversations are rich, we will continue to 8:15, if 30 minutes is enough time for a specific night, then we will end at 8:00pm. You come and go as it makes sense for you - low pressure learning.

These sessions will not be recorded in order to promote candid dialogue and open question asking.

## About the Presenter(s)

**Wanda Dechant** is a Designer of Professional Learning with the Calgary Regional Consortium. Her role includes supporting teachers, E.A.s, school admin, learning coaches and parents in K-12 Math and Numeracy. Wanda began teaching math and science in 2000, her teaching experience extends from grades 7 – 12. For the past 7 years Wanda’s work has included a major focus on K-6 Mathematics. Three critical aspects of learning that Wanda embeds into her work include:

- Student and teacher self-confidence in math
- Students and teachers making their thinking visible to themselves and to each other



- Students and teachers as mathematicians - let's do the math

**Jackie Ratkovic** Making sense of the use and abuse of concrete materials, understanding the importance of visual, spatial reasoning for the development of number sense, problem solving skills, and learning to ask good questions are four areas that greatly intrigue Jackie. Jackie currently works as an independent consultant and instructional coach to teams of teachers, over the past 18 years, in a number of districts across the province. Her work is focused on unpacking the Alberta Program of Study in ways that honor and value its intent of a student centered approach to learning, which allows each student to become capable and responsible for their own learning..

