## ESCAPE THE NORM:

### Reading & Writing for Tomorrow



Judy Dickson
Indigenous Literature



Lori Emilson

Breakout EDU



Colleen Nelson
Manitoba Author

#### **WHEN**

May 10th, 2019 9:00am - 3:30pm Registration begins at 8:30am WHERE
Carman
United Church
142 1 St SW, Carman MB

Lunch & Refreshments · Door Prizes · Networking · Cost \$75

Register at perc.reads@gmail.com

#### **Integrating Indigenous Literature in the Classroom** *presented by Judy Dickson*

Teaching for over 30 years from grades 1-12, Judy Dickson currently works at Treherne Collegiate Institute. Judy is the *Equity and Social Justice Chair* and *Indigenous Chair* for the Prairie Spirit Teachers' Association. Judy's aspires to provide resources for teachers as they move towards including Indigenous content in their classrooms. Her goal is to shift focus from just teaching about Residential Schools to normalizing Indigenous content. With this in mind, Judy sources books at all levels with Indigenous children as the main characters - not as victims of Residential Schools, but as integral parts of our classrooms with hopes, dreams, strengths and challenges.

### Are You Up for the Challenge? Learning with Breakout EDU presented by Lori Emilson

Breakout EDU is an immersive games platform that is changing the way learning occurs in classrooms. Join Lori Emilson, Curriculum Support Teacher for Lakeshore School Division, to learn about how to use this innovative activity with your students. Similar to Escape Rooms, students solve puzzles and clues to complete challenges — but instead of escaping, the students need to get the locks off the box before the time is up. Breakout EDU is a great way to introduce a story or unit of study, or to show what you know to wrap things up. Participants will take part in a mini-Breakout and then learn about how to plan and run their own Breakout challenges. Loads of fun!

# A Shift in Perspective: A Teacher's Journey into Writing presented by Colleen Nelson

Colleen Nelson is a teacher and author of young adult books. Her recent novel 'Sadia' was nominated for an OLA Red Maple Award. Colleen currently teaches Grade 8 and enthusiastically shares her passion for reading and writing with her students. Firmly believing in the adage, 'Every Child is a Reader', she ensures that her classroom has a wide-range of reading materials and loves nothing more than hearing the words, "What book should I read next?" from her students. As a teacher who is a writer (and not the other way around), Colleen brings a unique perspective to the teaching of writing, which she enjoys sharing with other educators.

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