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1. Spirit Schools 2010



Register your school by October 31st to become a 2010 Spirit School and enter to win! Your school can receive a bronze, silver or gold *2010 Spirit School* designation and win great prizes based on how much your school shows their spirit. And you will be eligible for the Early Bird Prize Draw, with one lucky school earning their school and community a stop on the ActNow BC Road to 2010 Community Tour, where you can meet the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Mascots, meet ActNow BC Olympic and Paralympic Athlete Ambassadors, play interactive games and more.

All bronze, silver and gold 2010 Spirit School schools will receive a certificate commemorating their participation in the program.

Members of your school community must participate in Vancouver 2010 education programs and document their activities online. Go for the gold and get every class in your school engaged in using the 2010 Winter Games as an educational opportunity!

2. UN Convention on the Rights of the Child Contest - Deadline November 6th

B.C.'s Representative for Children and Youth, Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafond, is asking children and youth across the province to write or draw a picture about their rights in a contest to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child on November 20, 2009.

The contest focuses on four rights:

- To Be Healthy
- To Be Yourself
- To Be Safe
- To Be Heard



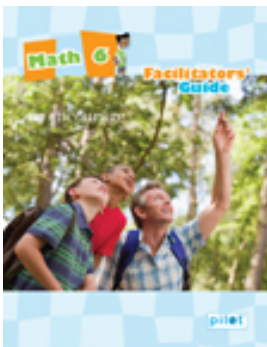
Participants are asked to respond to this question (max of 250 words):

Do you think one of these rights is more important than the others? Why or why not? Kids can also create a picture of themselves enjoying of one of the four rights.

Winners will be selected in three age groups: 5-9, 10-14 and 15-18. The deadline for submissions is Friday, Nov. 6, 2009.

For more information, visit <http://www.rcybc.ca/> where you can [download a PDF about the contest](#) (look under "Events").

3. eTrafficPress eBooks - review Pilot™ Math 6 eBook online



As our world becomes less paper-based and more electronic-based, it only makes sense that the textbooks we use get replaced by eBooks—paper-free electronic books. Etraffic Press is a BC-based publishing company that produces textbooks combined with online media for modern learning.

A sample of their **Pilot™ Math 6 Student Learning Guide** eBook is now available to view online.

There is also a website with resources for teachers who use the eBook. The site includes samples of the student eBook, the teacher's facilitation guide, as well as samples of the multi-media resources that are a part of the Pilot™ Math program.

We will be adding information about these types of resources to the LearnNowBC

website as they become available. Visit <http://www.learnnowbc.ca/eBooks.aspx> for more information.

For more teacher resources from Pilot™ Math 6, visit <http://www.pilotmath.com/math6>

4. BCTC AquaVan travels around the province, teaching about marine life



LearnNowBC has partnered with the Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre to offer students and teachers access to the award-winning BCTC AquaVan. To find out where the AquaVan is going next, and when it is available for booking, take a look at our [online schedule](#).

5. New Toll-Free number for LearnNowBC Academic Advising

LearnNowBC has academic advisors available to help your K-12 students make important academic and career decisions.

Call **1-888-412-5622** to talk to an academic advisor for free. Typically, calls will be returned within one business day.

Advisors are also available by email at: academic_advising@learnnowbc.ca.

6. Upcoming CyberSafe Workshops with Steve Dotto

October 20

District Workshop – SD #79

For more information, contact: Dana Arthurs

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October 28 @ 7pm

Regional Workshop – SD#41

Venue: Michael J. Fox Theatre

7373 MacPherson Avenue, Burnaby, BC

Free Admission

RSVP by October 23 to burnabyonlinepac@gmail.com

7. Website Links that you might find interesting

- [Learning Resource Repository](#) - a collection of reusable Learning Objects
- [Jelly of the Month](#) - Subscribe to receive these fun online resources
- [2010 Olympic resources for teachers](#) - integrate the Olympics into your class lessons
- [Young Learning Centre - Fun Sites](#) - educational fun for parents, teachers and young learners
- [ERAC Database ToolKits](#) - an online reference library educators can trust

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