



Overview of Deep Learning Lab 2015 October 13-15, 2015

Prepared by Sandy Owens, System Vice-Principal of Learning Technologies, OCDSB

As a member of the New Pedagogies for Deep Learning Project, the OCDSB sent two delegates to the Deep Learning Lab in Seattle, Washington, October 13-15 2015. The District was represented by two system administrators: the System Vice-Principal of Learning Technologies and the System Principal of Leadership, Equity & Safe and Caring. The New Pedagogies for Deep Learning project is being implemented in six of our District's elementary schools.

The key learnings from the conference centered around the value of teachers co-constructing deep learning tasks with their students. The teacher plays the role as a co-learner and the students have a voice in how their learning is constructed. Partnerships with community organizations help enrich and deepen the learning task. By leveraging these tasks with technology, the learning teams can further deepen their tasks. These key learnings were used to support the six schools participating in the New Pedagogies for Deep Learning project through professional development and staff support.

This has enabled the OCDSB to be further engaged in the New Pedagogies for Deep Learning project and therefore providing more engaging learning experiences for the students at these six schools.