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The 2018 CASSA Annual Conference: Supporting Each Student in Ottawa

THE NATION'S CAPITAL offered an impressive setting for the 2018 conference. With a wide array of historical sites, museums, cultural institutions, beautiful waterways, lively markets and gorgeous parks, Ottawa had much to offer delegates.

CASSA conference participants also had many official activities to keep them busy at the Westin Ottawa

conference site: the EXL award presentation, nearly 40 breakout sessions, two keynote speeches, a student-led panel discussion, a dynamic exhibitors' hall and more.

Thanks to EF Educational Tours, delegates also had a chance to take a guided tour of Ottawa.

We hope to see you next year in Vancouver.



Conference host city Ottawa offered CASSA delegates a wealth of off-site sightseeing opportunities, including the Parliament buildings, museums, historic waterways and Indigenous cultural experiences.

OUR PURPOSE

CASSA is the Canadian organization of school system leaders that promotes and supports quality education for the success of all students.

OUR MISSION

CASSA strengthens the capacity of school system leaders and influences the directions that impact education and student learning.

Update on the 2019 Conference: CASSA Heads to Vancouver

FOR THE FIRST time since 2012, CASSA will be hosting its annual conference on the west coast. What better setting than beautiful Vancouver, British Columbia, to focus on healthy living and active learning? Delegates will have opportunities to hear from engaging speakers and breakout session leaders during the day, and then have access to the very best this ocean-side city by the mountains has to offer. Make sure your leadership team is part of this unique national event next July. Additional details will soon be available on the CASSA website and in upcoming issues of *Leaders & Learners*.



Welcome to Ottawa: The 2018 CASSA Conference Opening Ceremonies

The Sacred Heart High School Band from the Ottawa Catholic School Board.



Clockwise from right, at the conference opening ceremonies on July 4 at the Westin Ottawa:

1. AASA President Chris Gaines.
2. Denise André, Director of Education for the Ottawa Catholic School Board.
3. CASSA President Reg Klassen.
4. CASSA Executive Director Ken Bain.
5. Outgoing CASSA President Anne O'Brien.



2018 EXL Award: Exceptional Leadership in Canadian Education



From left: EXL Award nominees Anne O'Brien, Yvonne Careen, David Keohane and Steven Colpitts stand with CASSA Executive Director Ken Bain and Xerox Canada representative Kevin Murnaghan.

IT IS WITH great pleasure that *Leaders & Learners* announces the 2018 Canadian Superintendent of the Year is **David Keohane**. David is the recipient of this year's Xerox Excellence in Educational Leadership Award, also known as the EXL Award.

Four superintendents were nominated for this year's award. (Biographies on each can be found in *Leaders & Learners* Volume 12, Issue 81.) Congratulations to each of them.

- **Anne O'Brien**, Director of Education for the Durham Catholic District School Board
- **Yvonne Careen**, Superintendent for the Commission scolaire francophone des Territoires du Nord-Ouest
- **David Keohane**, Superintendent of Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools

- **Steven Colpitts**, Director of Educational Services for the Lester B. Pearson School Board

Kevin Murnaghan from Xerox Canada was on hand to help present the awards at a ceremony on July 4 in Ottawa.

CASSA is extremely grateful to the entire Xerox Canada team for their continued support of this prestigious national award.

The EXL Award is presented at each national conference to the CASSA member who has exhibited exemplary leadership ability and who has enhanced the profession of school administration throughout their career.

The EXL award has been presented since 2002. Recipients also receive honorary life memberships to CASSA.

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The Canadian Superintendent of the Year is also recognized each year at the American Association of School Administrators (AASA) conference, where the American Superintendent of the Year is selected. The 2019 AASA conference is scheduled to take place in Los Angeles, California, from February 14 to 16. Each EXL national award recipient is invited to attend this important leadership gathering.

David has been Superintendent for Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools since 2009 and has been a CASS (College of Alberta School Superintendents) member since 2001. Among his professional achievements and accolades, David was commended in 2016 by ThoughtExchange for his work in reducing the stigmas around mental health and bullying by facilitating focus groups and online exchanges for more than 3,000 participants.

His school district, Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools, was recently recognized with a Gallup Great Workplace Award and was ranked in the top one per cent of international organizations for employee engagement.

School board Chair **Serena Shaw** applauded David on receiving this honour and noted “his leadership is exemplary; David is a model and witness to our vision in all that he does to inspire excellence in learning through faith, relationships and engagement. He is a leader who places high value on engaging our staff and students that also

extends into the community to ensure their voice around questions that are important to the district reflect their interests.”



The 2018 EXL Award recipient David Keohane stands with Xerox Canada representative Kevin Murnaghan at a ceremony at the Westin Ottawa on July 4.

David joins several of his CASS colleagues, including past EXL Award recipients **Joan Carr** (2016), **Kim Jenkins** (2013), **Ed Wittchen** (2004) and **John Darroch** (2002), as Alberta superintendents who have received this national award.

Sincere congratulations to David and his fellow EXL Award nominees.

Watch the CASSA website and this newsletter for details on how you can nominate a leader from your team for the EXL Award.

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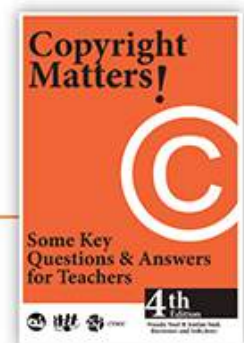
www.FairDealingDecisionTool.ca
(teachers' one-stop resource to determine if an intended use is fair dealing)



Consumables poster
(explaining the prohibitions against copying consumable materials)



Fair Dealing Guidelines poster
(describing the limits of fair dealing)



Copyright Matters!
(a revised 4th edition that every teacher should have)

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Speakers and Sessions: Student Discussion Panel and Keynote Speaker Michael Ungar



Top left: Ottawa-Carleton District School Board Superintendent Shawn Lehman introduces members of the student discussion panel.

Top right: Cindy Finn, one of CASSA's AASA representatives, thanks the students for their contributions to the discussion.

Centre: Students representing schools in the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board took part in the panel.

Right: Opening keynote address speaker Michael Ungar presented a talk on "The Risk-Taker's Advantage: How to Make Kids More Resilient by not Bubblewrapping Them."



Breakout Sessions: Three Days Focused on “Supporting Each Student”



Clockwise from top:

1. A group discussion led by ThoughtExchange.
2. Dr. Anthony Card presenting “A Contemporary Focus on Comprehensive School Health in Canada.”
3. Lucia Reece, Director of Education for Algoma District School Board, presenting “Together We Learn: Teachers and Students as Active Co-Learners.”
4. Leanne Keyko on “Resilience in Leadership.”

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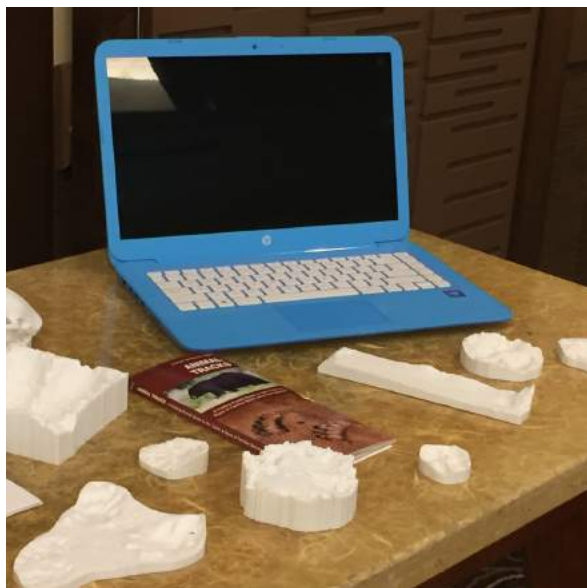
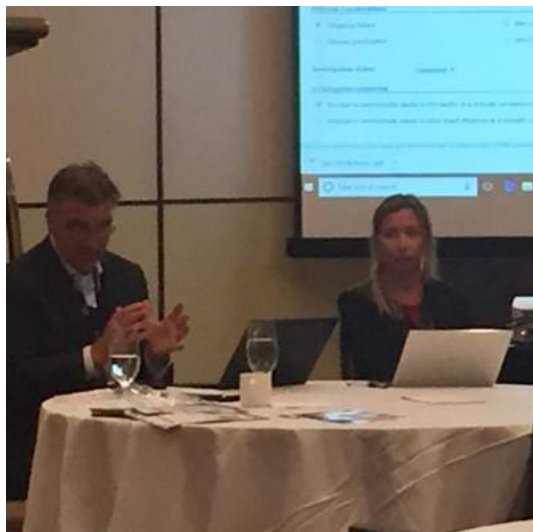


Clockwise from top left:

1. Michael Ungar, Director of the Resilience Research Centre, during a breakout session.
2. Gregory Tabone from the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board.
3. Katherine Eberl Kelly on “Supporting Each Student.”
4. Participants during a discussion hosted by ThoughtExchange.
5. René Déquier presenting “L’équité passe par la petite enfance.”
6. CASS Executive Director Barry Litun.

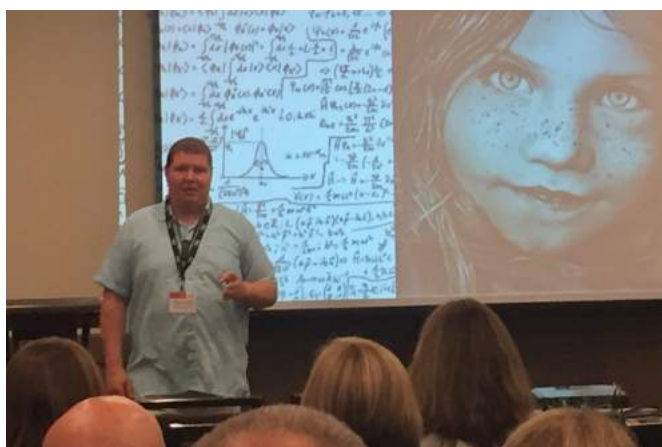


Sponsors and Exhibitors: Excellent Conference Partners



Clockwise from top left:

1. A session led by the team at clevr.
2. A session led by exhibitor Accent Environments.
3. Engaging in the exhibitor hall.
4. A session led by Apple.
5. Peter Atkinson of ACE.
6. Part of the exhibit booth presented by Let's Talk Science.



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Clockwise from top left:

1. The Lightspeed booth.
2. Luncheon presents more opportunities for conference delegates and sponsors to spend time with one another. Here IBM staff and CASS members engage.
- 3 to 6. Delegates exploring the exhibitor and sponsor booths.



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