

E-Bulletin: News and information from TESL Ontario Public Relations Committee to reach out to members and keep them informed.

March 31, 2007

#### ESL Week

- Thank you to all those who participated in celebrating ESL Week 2006. For a summary of activities held across the province, check out our website.
- Calling all teachers! ESL Week 2007 will be marked by TESL Ontario with a province-wide poster contest. Learners from all ages and all sectors are invited to participate. Go to the [www.teslontario.org](http://www.teslontario.org) for entry guidelines. Deadline for submissions is June 1, 2007.

#### News and Information

- Our President, Sharon Rajabi, and Executive Director, Renate Tilson, attended the Annual TESOL Conference in Seattle this past March. They reported the event provided an excellent global perspective and plenty of opportunities to meet leading international ESL professionals.
- Call for Presenters for our Annual TESL Ontario Conference, taking place November 22-24 is now on-line at [www.teslontario.ca/new/conference/conf\\_callpres.htm](http://www.teslontario.ca/new/conference/conf_callpres.htm). Deadline for submissions is May 31.

#### Coming Events

- “Celebrating Linguistic Diversity” Conference will be held April 26-27 at OISE/UT at a cost of \$50/day.

#### New Resources

- Canadian Education Association documentary “Imagine a School” is available at [www.cea-ace.ca/pub.cfm?subsection=dvd](http://www.cea-ace.ca/pub.cfm?subsection=dvd)
- Three new DVDs produced by the ESL Infusion Project at OISE/UT are available. They include “Voices of Immigrant Teenagers” and more. Contact [agagne@oise.utoronto.ca](mailto:agagne@oise.utoronto.ca) for details.

#### Ministry of Education News/Resources

- Report of the Auditor General on ESL/ELD in Ontario, K-12 is available at: [http://www.auditor.on.ca/en/reports\\_education\\_en.htm](http://www.auditor.on.ca/en/reports_education_en.htm) English as a Second Language and English Literacy Development (PDF 240kb)
- Math tips on teaching math to ELLs: [www.curriculum.org/lms/library.html#TIPSell](http://www.curriculum.org/lms/library.html#TIPSell)
- Webcast on multilingual education with Jim Cummins: [www.curriculum.org/secretariat/december7.html](http://www.curriculum.org/secretariat/december7.html)
- Article on integrating students’ languages into the school and classroom: [www.inspirelearning.ca/english/equity/englishLanguage.htm](http://www.inspirelearning.ca/english/equity/englishLanguage.htm)
- Many Roots, Many Voice document: [www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/manyroots](http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/manyroots)

#### Did you know?

- ELL, or English Language Learner is replacing ESL in reference to elementary and secondary language learners
- 2007 is LINC’s 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary