Danielle McKinney

2:00 - 3:15PM



Maximizing Impact: Effective Strategies for Teaching Readers with Down Syndrome

Danielle will present effective strategies for teaching beginning readers of all ages using both sight word and phonics approaches. Participants will leave with a better understanding of how to utilize limited instructional time for greater impact. Engaging materials and practical ideas will be shared to provide educators with additional tools for their toolbox.

Danielle is a BC-certified teacher who earned her Bachelor of Education in Elementary Education from the University of Victoria. Since joining the DSRF team in 2011, Danielle has played a key role in developing literacy and numeracy skills for children and young adults with Down syndrome. In 2024, she stepped into the role of Director of Education Programs and Services. Danielle enjoys the creative problem-solving process of teaching students with exceptional needs and working collaboratively with families and other professionals to support these learners.



