

# Central Alberta Regional Consortium

## Working Together: Making a Difference



Promoting student achievement and school improvement through professional development.

## Reality Bytes – Day 3 of 7

with Mark McWhinnie and Featured Speaker tba

Date: <b>Tuesday, January 10, 2012</b>	Venue: <b>Wolf Creek Public Schools Division Office</b>
Time: <b>4:30 pm - 7:30 pm</b>	Address: <b>6000 Highway 2A, Ponoka</b>
Cost: <b>\$25 or \$150 for Series and Book</b>	Lunch: <b>Supper is Included</b>
Additional Series Dates: <b>Oct 4, Nov 1, 2011 and Jan 10, Feb 7, Mar 6, Apr 3, May 1, 2012</b>	

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*Who should attend? K-12*

**About the series:** All participants will receive access to the CARC Moodle of resources and have the opportunity to collaborate and share resources on their own 21st century learning projects. Participants who sign up for all seven workshops will receive a copy of the book *“Reinventing Project Based Learning: Your Field Guide to Real World Projects in the Digital Age”* by Suzie Boss. This book will be used/referenced in each session. Participants will form part of a community of learners who will work individually or collaboratively to create a 21st century learning project. These sessions are open to participants from the Reality Bytes Year 1 Program along with new members from other schools/divisions. Workshops will generally be on the first Tuesday of each month starting in October and concluding in May. Note: There is no workshop in December. Each workshop will have a “new knowledge” component in which an “exemplary 21st century learning project” will be shared, followed by a “skill development/practice” component. Time will be provided in each session to work on individual or collaborative projects.

**About the session: Understanding 21st Century Learning – Project #3:** Each subsequent session will include a knowledge component in which an exemplary 21st century learning project is shared and discussed with the audience. Following this, participants will have the opportunity to work with others in designing their own 21st century learning project for their schools. These projects and the key learning surrounding this work will be shared and celebrated at the last workshop of the year.

### **About the facilitator:**

**Mark McWhinnie:** Mark has a background in both education and technology as a school technology contact, teacher, principal and now senior leader in the district office. Mark has been involved in numerous training and deployments of educational technologies with educational professionals over the past 13 years. Mark currently works as the Director of Technology Integration in Wolf Creek Public Schools. His work involves assisting teachers and educational assistants to purposefully integrate digital tools to support instruction in powerful ways. This work enhances 21st century classroom learning opportunities for all learners.

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