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## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER APRIL 2023



## COMING UP

### CONFERENCE



Our Virtual Learning Labs Conference is April 29-30. Registrations are still open!

[REGISTER](#)

### INSTITUTE



Applications are now open for 2023/2024 Erickson & Lanning CBI Trainer Certification Institute.

[APPLY](#)

### MASTERCLASS



Join Rachel French May 13 for our FREE Masterclass: Leading Change for CBI Educators.

[SAVE THE DATE](#)

## April/May Events

### VIRTUAL LEARNING LABS CONFERENCE

April 29 - April 30

### MAY MASTERCLASS

**Leading Change  
With Rachel French**  
May 13

### THE CBI MATHEMATICS PROJECT

**Pilot Program**  
Applications OPEN

### ERICKSON & LANNING CBCI TRAINER CERTIFICATION INSTITUTE

Applications OPEN



## A Message from Rachel

I am writing this from Singapore Airport on my return flight to New Zealand. I feel exhausted from lack of sleep and jet lag yet re-energized through the connections, passion, and community spirit I just experienced at the CBI Learning Labs Conference.

Thank you to all the Erickson and Lanning Certified Trainers who stepped up and led model lessons, break-out sessions, round table discussions, and keynote presentations at the conference. You provided inspiration, shared strategies, challenged thinking, and demonstrated what is possible in a CBI classroom.

If you missed the face-to-face conference in the Hague be sure to join us for the virtual conference at the end of the month. You will have the opportunity to take part in CBI lessons and virtual classroom visits.

I hope to see you there!

Rachel

## What a weekend!

We are all still basking in the triumph of our Learning Labs Conference in The Hague!

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed to such a fun and inspiring few days.

We've received countless messages from people saying they're going back to their schools with a new perspective, feeling inspired, and with a full heart.

There is little doubt that Concept-Based learning is changing the essential fabric of education across the globe, and events like this just reaffirm it!

If you missed out on attending the live in The Hague, you can still attend our **Virtual Learning Labs** on April 29 - April 30.

At the conclusion of the conference, we announced that applications are NOW OPEN for the **2023/2024 Erickson and Lanning CBCI Trainer Certification Institute**.

If you are ready to lead educational change at your school, like our expert conference presenters, be sure to get your application in.

Rachel will be presenting a FREE **Masterclass in May**, **Leading Change - Establishing a Concept-Based Inquiry Approach in Your School**.

This 90-minute class will dive deep into Concept-Based unit planning and design - a must-watch!

One further, exciting recent announcement has been the launch of **The CBI Mathematics Project**.

This is a full, comprehensive curriculum specifically designed for elementary teachers and schools who want to implement a Concept-Based Inquiry approach to mathematics. It empowers students to become confident problem-solvers within and beyond the classroom while allowing teachers to fast-track the curriculum planning process so they can focus on implementation. If you'd like to be part of the Pilot Program - read more below.

There's A LOT going on at PLI right now - we're so happy to have you here!

**Transforming education starts  
with you...**





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# 2023 CBI VIRTUAL LEARNING LABS CONFERENCE

To Make This Your Most Impactful Year Ever...  
Learn How To Bring Concept-Based Inquiry  
To Life In Your School Or Classroom!

 Date:  
**29th-30th April 2023**

 **Online**

**REGISTER NOW**



**Rachel French**  
Speaker



**Carla Marshall**  
Speaker



**Nancy Fairburn**  
Speaker

Thank you to all of the amazing session presenters ...

**CONCEPT-BASED INQUIRY LEARNING LABS 2023**



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**SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR  
MAY MASTERCLASS!**



**Leading Change - Establishing a Concept-Based Inquiry Approach in Your School**

Our FREE Masterclass next month will be hosted by Rachel French on **May 13th at 6.30 AM UTC or 7:30 PM UTC.**

This Masterclass is for school leaders, team leaders, and teachers looking to support their school in adopting and implementing a CBI approach. This 90-minute class will explore:

- How to build a shared understanding of CBI in your own school context.
- How we can make unit planning more meaningful.
- What school leaders must do to support teachers and honor the work that is involved in writing curriculum and unit design.

**SAVE THE DATE  
MAY 13**

DETAILS TO FOLLOW CLOSER TO THE DAY...



2023-2024

# THE ERICKSON AND LANNING CBCI TRAINER CERTIFICATION

BEGINNING ON AUGUST 19TH, 2023

As a certified Erickson and Lanning Concept-Based Curriculum and Instruction (CBCI) Trainer, the opportunities for growth are endless, as are the ways in which you can integrate the certification into your specific career focus.

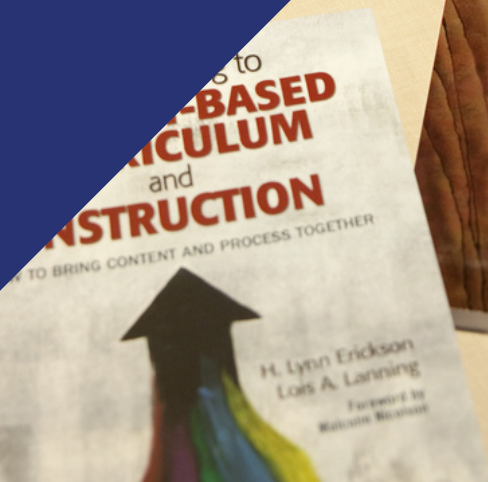
Whether you plan to lead workshops, coach teachers or utilise the learning in your classroom, by joining an expanding group of thought leaders, focused on transforming education, together... we can change the world.

**The Erickson and Lanning CBCI Trainer Certification is a nine-month online program designed to:**

- Develop a deep understanding of Concept-Based Curriculum and Instruction so that you are able to fluently and confidently explain the principles to others.
- Provide you with practice crafting clear generalizations, or conceptual understandings, so you can confidently lead curriculum design.
- Create opportunities to coach others to write generalizations beyond your area of expertise so you can support both the high school math teachers AND the kindergarten team.
- Deconstruct lessons so that you can design your own learning experiences that empower students to think conceptually.
- Provide you with a bank of resources to create a coherent and logical presentation suited to the needs of your particular audience.



[APPLY NOW](#)







# THE CONCEPT-BASED INQUIRY

## - MATHEMATICS PROJECT -

### PILOT PROGRAM



Specifically designed for elementary teachers and schools who want to master a Concept-Based Inquiry approach to mathematics, The CBI Mathematics Project is a full, comprehensive mathematics curriculum that empowers students to become confident problem-solvers within and beyond the classroom.

Does this sound familiar:

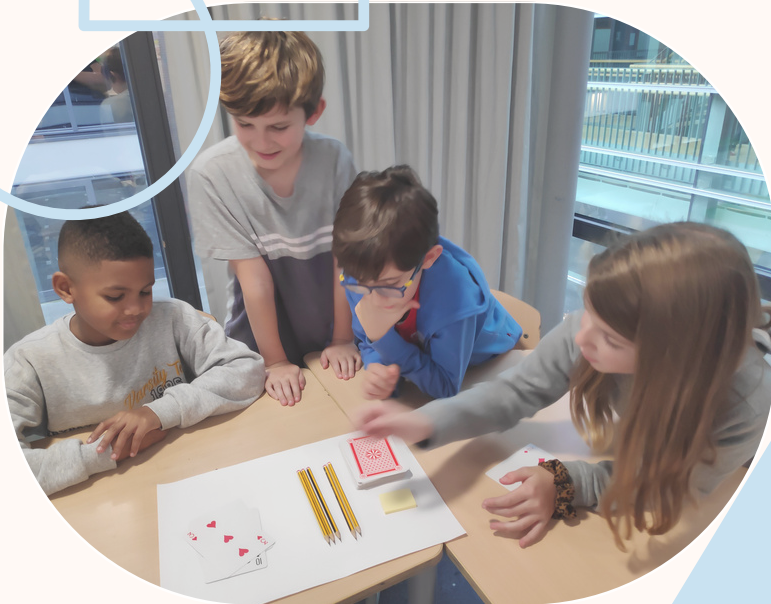
- Your school lacks a cohesive mathematics curriculum, so you have to rely on resources you've used in the past, while your students have to bridge the gaps between different teaching approaches
- Your school ditched textbooks in favor of Concept-Based Inquiry, but now it's every teacher for themselves in the creative struggle to create engaging mathematics lessons or find resources online
- Working on your units of inquiry, you've seen the power of using questions to help students build conceptual understanding—but designing conceptual *mathematics* units still feels daunting
- Your budding mathematicians are engaged, but you still feel like their understanding is on shaky foundations, wavering every time you try to build on previous lessons
- Those lightbulb moments that pop up in class—when students really *get it*—are exciting, but you have no idea how to ensure they happen *consistently* in your mathematics classes

#### A complete mathematics curriculum. Including:

Full Scope and Sequence  
Learning Engagements  
Strategy Talks  
Stretch and Support options  
Pre-assessments  
Orientation and onboarding



## THE PROGRAM THAT BRINGS MATHEMATICS TO LIFE



- Save yourself hours of planning—we've designed units for you so you can focus on teaching
- Help your students understand mathematics so they can retain and build on previous lessons
- Empower students to see patterns, so they can use mathematics to solve real-world problems
- Experience consistent—almost predictable—aha moments in your mathematics class

### THIS IS PERFECT FOR YOU IF...

- You're passionate about Concept-Based Inquiry but don't know where to start with mathematics
- You're ready to shortcut the curriculum design process so you can focus on implementation
- You want students to understand mathematics, so they can apply their learnings in real life
- You want your students to feel confident with the mathematics foundation they need to succeed
- You wish your students would remember what they learn, so you could stop reteaching it
- You want to feel less stressed out and more confident in teaching mathematics

As a pilot educator, you'll be the first in the world to experience our revolutionary approach to mathematics!

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