## Come Celebrate

25 Years with TC<sup>2</sup>



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## TC<sup>2</sup> Celebrates 25 Years of Advancing Critical, Creative, and Collaborative Thinking

**VANCOUVER, April 1, 2019 –** The Critical Thinking Consortium (TC²) is marking its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year with a series of features, stories, and resources that showcase how it helps teachers bring critical inquiry into the classroom.

"Our mandate is to support everyone who is seeking to nurture better quality thinking in learners. We do this by providing powerful, engaging, and sustained professional development for educators, and by developing exciting and innovative print and digital teaching and learning resources," says Usha James, Executive Director of TC<sup>2</sup>. "As we celebrate this milestone, we find ourselves invigorated and energized by the opportunities we see in this changing and challenging world."

TC2's efforts generally focus on helping teachers create engaging intellectual challenges by applying a critical inquiry approach to a curriculum. "Learning is launched by an invitation to a meaningful challenge," notes Garfield Gini-Newman, Senior National Consultant with TC2. "Over the past 25 years, our team has worked to offer exemplary services and products that provide students critical, creative, and collaborative learning opportunities."

As part of the anniversary celebration, TC² will highlight its work in several focus areas, such as mathematics, literacy, and Indigenous education. Leaders and learners from across the education sector will share their experiences of teaming up with TC² in these areas of focus. Throughout the year, TC² will offer specials to make its resources accessible to everyone in the TC² community. Anniversary information can be found at <a href="tc2.ca/25-years">tc2.ca/25-years</a>; updates will be posted on Twitter—@TC2thinks, Facebook—@TheCriticalThinkingConsortium, and Instagram—@tc2thinks—as the year unfolds.

"Our anniversary also gives us an opportunity to reflect and to honour those who, for the past quarter-century, have helped design, implement, and grow our framework," says Usha James. "We are so grateful to all those who have partnered with us to create rich and engaging learning environments, classrooms where students learn to think and think to learn."

TC² is a Canadian not-for-profit organization that partners with education leaders to advance critical, creative, and collaborative thinking. It provides resources and professional development opportunities that inspire and support educators, parents, and students. Based in Vancouver, BC, but with consultants and facilitators spread across the country, TC² works with more than 70 partners in Canada, the United States, and beyond. Since its inception, TC² has hosted more than 5000 professional learning events, serving more than 180 000 educators and advancing critical, creative, and collaborative thinking for hundreds of thousands of students.

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