

# COQUITLAM TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

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## *President's Message*

### **Post and Fill**

We have been dealing with a number of post and fill issues, as we always do at this time of year. The first problem was all the excitement crashed the district's external service provider for this area of the website. People should not be concerned if this happens initially. Though, under current rules, you have a week to post on jobs and it doesn't matter whether you post in the first minute or last, the list isn't populated until the posting closes.

People should also take time to review what's on the application form under job shop and make sure the information there is relevant to the posting you're seeking and is accurate.

The information is editable, just save it every ten minutes or so, max, as the system sometimes logs you out unexpectedly. Please report any confusion or problems to us.

# CTA UPDATES

We hope to see all teachers come out to ratify our Local Matters Agreement. If you missed our Year End General Meeting May 15, you should speak to your staff rep about the details of this agreement, review it yourself on our CTA portal and/or plan to attend our Info Session at Winslow Gym on Wednesday, June 5 where we will open advance polls and review the details of our local bargaining agreement.

## Your Vote Matters! Please make time to cast your ballot!

Voting is easy, you can come during polling hours to one of our polling locations June 5,6 or 7 and sign in with a member of our executive committee who will give you your ballot and answer any questions you have about ratification.


A reminder that items such as salary, leaves, benefits and class size and composition fall on the provincial table to bargain and you can read updates on that progression on the BCTF portal: [bctf.ca](http://bctf.ca) Once the provincial parties reach a deal, we will hold a ratification vote on all the changes to the collective agreement.

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## 2019 BCTF Curriculum Change and Implementation Survey

The BCTF invites you to share your experiences implementing BC's redesigned curriculum in your classroom and school. The results from the survey will be used to help teachers and the BCTF make critical assessments of curriculum change over time and continue to advocate for a teacher-led process that enhances public education in BC. This includes working to get you the resources, time, and support you need for the coming school year.

Please **click here** to participate in this short survey **before June 5**.

## *Save the Date*

### Resource Fair

Hosted by the TTOC Committee

June 6<sup>th</sup>



Winslow Gym

4 – 6pm

From 4 – 4:30pm come enjoy some snacks, enter for door prizes, mingle with colleagues, and ask questions. There will be presentations by Nadine Tambellini, Dan Proden, and Tamara Sengotta about the posting process, how to read your pay cheque, and mentoring opportunities. The resource fair will officially open at 4:30pm.

**Hope to see you there!**

#### RESOURCE DONATION CHECKLIST: IS IT.....

- Current
- Gently used
- Relevant to curriculum
- Kindergarten to Grade 12

YES Resources	NO Thank you
✓ Novels	× Textbooks
✓ Curricular Guides	× Photocopied units and lessons
✓ Manipulatives	× Magazines
✓ Games	× Newspapers
✓ Organizational Bins/Storage	× Binders
✓ Craft Supplies	× Posters
✓ Centre activities	× Anything laminated
✓ Classroom decor	

#### YOU'D LIKE TO DONATE RESOURCES. WHAT'S NEXT?

First of all, thank you for donating and supporting our new teachers! The Resource Fair is on **Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup> starting at 4pm**. Donations can be dropped off at the Winslow Centre Gym that day. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact: Geoffrey at [gkehrig@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:gkehrig@sd43.bc.ca) or Kara at [kobojski@cta43.org](mailto:kobojski@cta43.org)





## SIGN UP FOR **MENTORING** A COLLABORATIVE CONNECTION

**CONNECT WITH A MENTOR WHO TEACHES THE SAME GRADE/SUBJECT AS YOU**  
**ACCESS RELEASE TIME TO SUPPORT YOUR PRACTICE**

- \*Access to workshops designed for Early Career Teachers
- \*Option of attending the Mentoring Retreat
- \*Connecting with peers and building community
- \*Learning together
- \*Collaborating

\*We have amazing and supportive mentors for:  
grades K-12, Student Services K-12 and French Immersion

### BOOT Summer CAMP

	August 26 - Monday	August 27 - Tuesday	August 28 - Wednesday	August 29 - Thursday
9:00-10:00	LAST SIGN-UP! Sign up for and complete release forms by Friday 9:00	So you have a contract - now what!	Play in the Primary classroom (JK-2)	Engaging Teachers and Parents at the Middle Level (grades 4-6)
10:00-10:45	Break	Break	Break	Break
10:45-11:15	TAES CONF: Community building and classroom management techniques	Networking opportunities (in and out)	Engaging Teachers and Parents at the Middle Level (grades 4-6) Cont.	Repeat: Workshops and Presentations around Mental Health and SEL in Education
11:15-11:45	Lunch (self-serve)			
1:00-1:30	TAES CONF: Classroom Set up Support from Mentors. Sign up to have a mentor come to your classroom and help you set up. First Come First Served			

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: TAMARA SENGOTTA @ TSENGOTTA@SD43.BC.CA

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# STUDENT VOTE

CIVIX has joined forces with Elections Canada to make the upcoming federal Student Vote our best project yet, and to reach our goal of engaging more than one million students. We hope that you and your school will be part of it. Even if you have participated with us before, you must register for each new election.

To register, visit:

[www.studentvote.ca/canada](http://www.studentvote.ca/canada) or call us toll-free at **1-866-488-8775**.

With democracy being threatened throughout the world, civic education and digital literacy are now more important than ever.



Re-circulated on behalf of NWLDC

Delegates and members! Join our Community & Social Action committee for a solidarity picket with MoveUP members on strike at Westminster Savings Credit Union in Port Coquitlam. Help us tell Gavin Toy to 'Stop Toying with Pensions' and to treat these great workers and our communities fairly! Drop by with your signs, flags and banners anytime between 10am-1pm June 1.



**JUN 1** Solidarity Picket with MoveUP members at WSCU  
Public - Hosted by New Westminster & District Labour Council

★ Interested ✓ Going

➦ Share ...

🕒 Saturday at 10 AM - 1 PM  
5 days from now - 12-23°C Partly Cloudy

📍 Westminster Savings Credit Union  
2850 Shaughnessy St Suite 6108, Port Coquitlam, British Columbi... [Show Map](#)



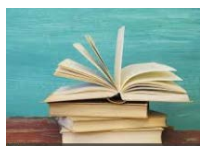
## Are You Retiring This Year?

Congratulations! BC Retired Teachers' Association (BCRTA) and local Coquitlam Branch (CRTA) invite you to test drive membership for a year, for free! As a BCRTA/ CRTA member, you will have access to a wide range of extended health plan benefits, travel insurance, consumer and travel discounts, and many retirement resources. You will be part of an organization that stands up for pension rights, public education and seniors. You will also find new opportunities for personal connections and learning experiences. It only takes five minutes to join. Go to [www.bcrt.ca](http://www.bcrt.ca) click on join.

**Welcome aboard!**

## What are your plans for professional learning this summer?

What books are you reading?



Do you have a field trip idea you're going to check out?



Have you found any cool

# workshops

to attend?



Can you recommend any on-line workshops or sites?

Please email your ideas to [hstibbs@cta43.org](mailto:hstibbs@cta43.org) and we'll share your ideas in an upcoming PD Power!

Friday, June 21 is National Indigenous Peoples Day. Please click on National Indigenous Peoples Day link & then Promotional Resources to obtain free printable resources.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/celebrate-canada-days/aboriginal-day.html>

## #NIPDCANADA

This year the Aboriginal Education Department will be hosting NIPD @ Rocky Point Park (festival format) with stage performances & activities. Further information will be sent out soon. Schools are invited to drop in & visit between 9:30 & 1:30 pm. Festival will close @ 2:30 pm.



The Aboriginal Education Department is seeking volunteers to ensure a smooth celebration on June 21st

When: Monday June 10

Time: 3:30 to 4:30 pm

Where: Millside, 1432 Brunette Ave

Re: Assisting with craft stations, performers on stage, floater

Please RSVP with "VOLUNTEER" in subject heading to [tgalligos@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:tgalligos@sd43.bc.ca)

'Light' refreshments provided

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION SD43

# NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY FESTIVAL 2019

*Come and witness amazing musical performances, crafts and activities suitable for all ages from Elders to Children*

**JUNE 21, 2019 | 9:30AM - 2:30PM  
ROCKY POINT PARK | PORT MOODY**



This is a public event. Please bring your own packed lunch and take waste away with you.



# COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Teachers interested in the following committees should go onto our website for a **curriculum vitae form** and submit it to the CTA Office (padolf@cta43.org)

If you have questions, call the CTA Office at 604-936-9971.



## **CTA PD Committee**

- 1 elementary rep

## **CTA Teachers Teaching on Call Committee**

- 4 members-at-large

## **CTA Policies & Procedures Committee**

- 2 members-at-large

## **CTA Committee of Action on Social Justice (CASJ)**

- 2 Secondary reps, 2 Middle reps, 2 Elementary reps

## **District Student Services Advisory Committee**

- 2 CTA reps

## **District French Advisory Committee**

- 3 CTA reps

## **District Student Achievement Advisory Committee**

- 4 CTA reps

## **District Review Panel Committee**

- 1 CTA rep

## **District Technology Advisory Committee**

- 1 CTA rep

## **District Student Wellness & Safety Committee**

- 2 CTA reps

## **District Aboriginal Ed Advisory Committee**

- 1 CTA rep

## **New Westminster & District Labour Council**

- 5 CTA reps

For Retirement announcements go to:

<https://my432016.sd43.bc.ca/Departments/CommunityRelations/default.aspx>



**UPCOMING EVENTS:** submit your details to [kstewart@cta43.org](mailto:kstewart@cta43.org) for posting.

## JUNE

- Info Session/Ratification Vote Wednesday, **June 5**
- Resource Fair Thursday, **June 6**
- Ratification Vote Thursday, **June 6**
- Ratification Vote, Friday, **June 7**
- CTA Old/New Executive Committee Wednesday, **June 12**
- School Year Ends – Administrative Day Friday, **June 28**

June	
1:	Injured Workers' Day
2-8:	Canadian Environment Week
5:	World Environment Day
9:	Canadian Rivers Day
12:	World Day Against Child Labour
20:	World Refugee Day
21:	National Indigenous Peoples' Day
27:	Canadian Multiculturalism Day




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\*Back issues of the previous school year CTA Newsletters can be found on our website.



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The CTA can be found on Facebook and Twitter. You can also email us or check out the website

[www.coquitlamteachers.com](http://www.coquitlamteachers.com)

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