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President's Message

What does Mediation Mean?

The BCTF and BCPSEA have agreed to go into mediation around provincial bargaining. What does that mean? It means the Labour Relations Board will appoint a Mediator (in this case, David Schaub) to look at the issues and determine if there are ways to move closer to a resolution. The mediator is not there to make decisions or binding recommendations, that would be the work of an arbitrator. Nonetheless, this is a positive development from the position of virtual stalemate that preceded this decision.

In the Home Stretch....

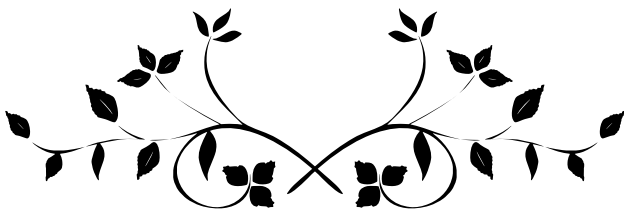
It is clear from the amount of concerns and investigatory work coming to us that we are in the final few days of the year here. It is not unusual to have a variety of complex matters emerge at the end of the year. Try to stay positive and focused as we make our way towards the summer break. Your hard work has earned you that break and you certainly don't want to enter it with something hanging over your head.

STAFF REP & PD REP NAMES NEEDED 2019/20!



In order to plan for Training Sessions we will need the names and member counts **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**. School staffs should be selecting their CTA Staff Reps and PD Reps for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year.

Please forward those names to the CTA office by emailing padolf@cta43.org. Thank you!



ROY KRUTOW Scholarships

Each year the CTA awards TWO Roy Krutow Scholarships of \$1250.00 to the graduating child of a teacher employed by School District #43 or to the child of a retired or deceased teacher employed by School District #43 at the time of retirement or death. Eligible candidates can attend ANY public school in British Columbia.

Criteria: Academic achievement (in case of a tie, school involvement will be considered)

Application Deadline: July 1, 2019



CTA RETIREMENT RECEPTION

The annual CTA/CPVPA Fall Retirement Reception celebrating Coquitlam's retiring teachers and administrators will be held:

Date: Thursday, September 12, 2019

Time: 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Place: Poco Inn & Suites (PoCo Room)

Reception

School District Design Committee



The district is seeking 4 elementary teachers to serve on the **School District Design Committee** for new elementary schools. The Design Team will work with the Architect and Facilities Personnel to provide feedback on designing new elementary schools in School District # 43. The time commitment will be approximately 2-3 meetings per month from 3:30 - 5:30 pm over a period of approximately 3-4 months during the fall of 2019/early 2020. There will also be documents and drawings to review between meetings. Send your CV form to padolf@cta43.org.

There is a Workers Compensation System Review taking place!

The BCFED Occupational Health & Safety Standing Committee Workers' Compensation Advocacy Group needs feedback from workers.

Workers can attend public hearings and/or complete a survey. Information for both can be found : <https://engage.gov.bc.ca/workerscompensationreview/>

The questionnaire will be open until July 19, 2019 at 4pm.



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I have just returned from the Canadian Association of Labour Media (CALM) conference where I had the pleasure of receiving the following awards on behalf of the BCTF:

2019 Best Photograph, Volunteer Produced—The Knowledge Keepers Project (student photos in the May/June 2018 Teacher magazine) ([click the graphic above](#))

2019 Freeperson Award Best Infographic—Our Students with Special Needs (infographic in the September/October 2018 Teacher magazine) ([click the graphic above](#))

Honourable Mention, Teacher magazine—Nov/Dec 2018 ([click here](#))

Congratulations to all who worked on these award-winning pieces!

Regards,

June James

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mobile app

1.844.880.9142 or
workhealthlife.com



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.bcrta.ca click on join.

Welcome aboard!

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Teachers interested in the following committees should go onto our website or click [here](#) 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 Student Wellness & Safety Committee

- 2 CTA reps

District Aboriginal Ed Advisory Committee

- 1 CTA rep

District Elementary Design Committee

- 4 Elementary reps

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 for posting.

JUNE

School Year Ends – Administrative Day Friday, **June 28**

AUGUST

BCTF Summer Conference Tuesday-Friday, **August 20-23**

SEPTEMBER

School Year Begins Tuesday, **September 3**

CTA Executive Committee Wednesday, **September 4**

CTA Executive Committee Wednesday, **September 11**

CTA Retirement Reception Thursday, **September 12**

BCTF Staff Rep Training (Session 1)

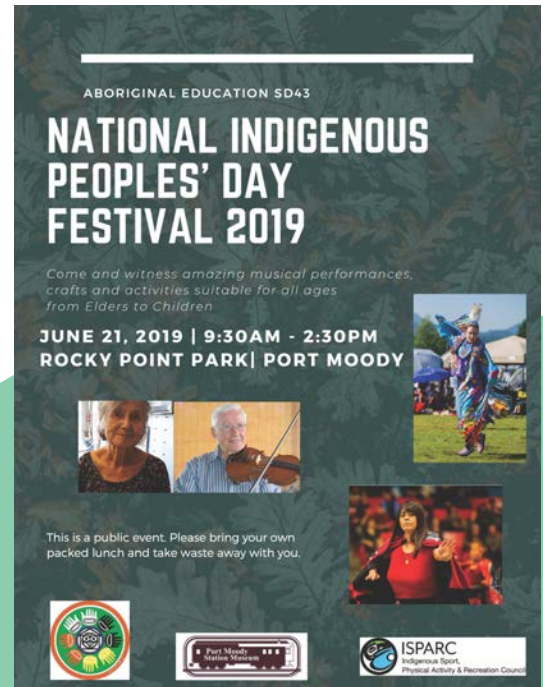
Thur/Tues/Thurs **Sept 12/17/19**

PD Training (after school) Tuesday, **September 17**

CTA Executive Committee Wednesday, **September 18**

District PD Day Friday, **September 20**

CTA Rep Assembly Wednesday, **September 25**



*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

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