

COQUITLAM TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

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President's Message

In Service and Training

There is lots of this going on right now, IEP, MyEd, Library, Kindergarten, etc. and the CTA is very interested in your impressions on how this is going or any after-action reporting for those already completed. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us with your experiences, good as well as bad. We want to help as best we can with these undertakings.

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Most of you are aware of the break until September 23rd that happened in bargaining provincially. Thus, there has not been much to announce or discuss. The parties met on the 23rd and it is expected that bargaining with the mediator will continue. Please refer to the BCTF website, behind the member portal for more information. The CTA will keep it's members apprised of any developments as soon as we are able to do so. As always, we are looking for feedback on bargaining. Please reach out to us with your concerns and, do please attend our Annual General Meeting on October 2nd.

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Teri Mooring, BCTF President will be in attendance to give an update and to take questions on bargaining.

Yours, in Solidarity,
Ken

CTA Business



Annual General Meeting

**Wednesday, October 2, 2019
Winslow Centre Gym, 4 PM**

Agenda

Teri Mooring BCTF President

Presidents Report

Financial Reports (timed item 4:30)

BCTF Rep Assembly Nov 1 & 2: CTA Resolutions

Bargaining (In-Committee)

Other Business

Prize Draw

How Well Do You Know Your Collective Agreement?

Our intent in this section of the newsletter is to help SD43 teachers become more familiar with their newly melded contract. Each week we will list an article below with a link to our Collective Agreement. The onus is on the employee to be aware of their contractual rights. This week's article: B.22 Teacher in Charge (p.52) This week's article highlights the rights/responsibilities around a Teacher in Charge. Please take a few minutes to review the article by clicking onto the link below. <https://www.coquitlamteachers.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/2013-2019-Collective-Agreement-Nov-9-2016-version.pdf>

If you have any further questions please contact Andy Gilligan (Grievance Officer) at 604-936-9971.

Dates to Remember

Orange Shirt Day

Monday, September 30th, 2019

CTA Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, October 2nd, 2019

Deadline for Yellow PD Forms to CTA

Friday October 11th, 2019

Provincial PD Day

Friday October 25, 2019

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CTA Information

PD Power

It's everyone's favourite time of year again: yellow forms for the October PSA day are due into the CTA office in just two weeks' time!



Tips and Tricks for making the yellow form process easy!

1. Give yourself plenty of time to meet deadlines - yellow forms must be in the CTA office by 4:30 pm two weeks before the event. Delays from the mailbag do not change that, so we recommend NOT using the mailbag
2. Read the instructions carefully – include the event information attachment with your original submission
3. Don't forget to submit your conference report and receipt within one month after the event – do not email it directly from a photocopier – scan it to yourself and then send it to pd@cta43.org with your name as the subject
4. Remember you will not be reimbursed for taxes, meals, parking, and transportation within the Lower Mainland
5. Credit and non-credit courses are not covered by yellow forms – use the course fee assistance form through the Board Office

Think you've got it figured out? Head to <https://tinyurl.com/yellowforms> to test your knowledge – everyone who gets all five questions correct will be entered into a draw to win a CTA swag bag full of goodies!

-Meggan Crawford
CTA PD Chairperson



New Mass Email Campaign

The previous mass email campaign to MLAs was stunningly successful. If an MLA or government at large receives a thousand messages on a topic, it's a wow moment. The last campaign generated over 20,000 individual communications and took the government completely by surprise. We need to continue to ramp up the pressure to get a deal at the bargaining table.

It is also suggested that calling constituency offices, sending paper letters or faxes helps significantly to bring things to the attention of MLAs and other government leaders.

Click here to email your MLA

(please note you must use Chrome or Firefox to make this form work)

Call for Workshop Proposals

Workshop submissions for the BCTF New Teachers' Conferences are now being accepted until October 7, 2019. Two conferences will be held this year;

RICHMOND

January 25, 2020

NELSON

May 23, 2020

The theme of the NTCs 2020 is: Wellness Safety Balance in life and on the job.

Members can submit their workshop proposals here

<https://bctf.ca/forms/ntc.aspx?ekfrm=51454> .

Priority will be given to BCTF and PSAs workshops

Committee Vacancies



Congratulations to the following CTA Members who have agreed to donate voluntary time to serve on the following committees;

Emily Pitman (Birchland/Kilmer Elementary)
School District Design Committee

Teachers interested in the 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**.

District French Advisory Committee

- 2 CTA reps

District Student Services Advisory Committee

- 2 CTA reps

CTA Negotiations Committee

- 1 member-at-large

District Student Achievement Advisory Committee

- 2 Elementary reps, 2 Middle reps and 1 Secondary rep

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 School Design Committee

- 3 Elementary reps

New Westminster & District Labour Council

- 5 CTA reps

CTA PD Committee

- 1 Elementary rep, 1 Middle rep

CTA Teachers Teaching on Call Committee

- 4 members-at-large

CTA Policies & Procedures Committee

- 2 members-at-large

CTA Committee - Action on Social Justice (CASJ)

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

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