

COQUITLAM TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

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President's Message

Just a reminder to folks of what is happening regarding union or management meetings at this point in the year. Today is the last Representative Assembly before the end of this year.

Next week, we have a CTA Local Bargaining Information Session on Monday, May 9, at 4 pm on Zoom, links are on our website bargaining page. Tuesday, May 10, at 3:30 is the Layoff Meeting on TEAMS with Nadine Tambellini, District Principal. Wednesday, May 11, at 4 pm is the Year End General Meeting, via Zoom. Our Executive Committee is selected and much information is conveyed regarding issues of concern to members, like Provincial Bargaining. The following Tuesday, May 17, at 3:30 pm is a planned Posting Information session for Teachers and TTOCs, on Teams, again, hosted by Nadine Tambellini.

We invite members to attend the meetings of relevance or interest to them. Communication with members has definitely been a challenge over the last couple years. CTA officers will be present at all these meetings. We are happy to help or discuss anything that will be happening at these meetings with members. Please contact the office if you need help finding the meeting links.

In Solidarity,
Ken

CTA Year End General Meeting

Wednesday, May 11, 2022

4 - 6 PM, Via ZOOM

Links and documents can be found on website under Member Resources, General Information

Agenda

Acknowledgement of the Territories

1. Call to Order
Adoption of the agenda.
2. Election of 2022-23 CTA Executive Committee
3. President's Report
4. Ratification of Committee Chairpersons 2022-23
5. Policy changes as recommended by April 27, 2022 Executive Committee Meeting
6. Bargaining [In-Committee]
7. Committee Reports
8. Other Business
9. Prize Draws
10. Adjournment

BCTF Pension Seminars

The BCTF will be presenting virtual pension seminars on **Wednesdays in May** available to all members via Zoom.

The content of the seminars will be valuable for all members, especially for those considering retirement in the near future.

The seminars are intended to help members learn about:

- how their pension plan works.
- factors to consider when planning for retirement.
- their pension options.
- whom to contact for more information/advice.

The Zoom link to attend the session on May 4, 11, 18, or 25 can be found here.

This event is also listed under the BCTF events tab at: <https://www.bctf.ca/whats-happening/event-calendar>.

If members are not able to attend these sessions, they may contact Sarbrinder Singh Lalli directly at slalli@bctf.ca.

Bargaining Information Sessions [In-Committee]

Monday, May 9, 2022

4:00 – 6:00 pm via Zoom

Links & our Local Bargaining Agreement are posted on the [CTA website bargaining page](#).

Come and ask questions about our Local Agreement prior to the Ratification Vote being held May 16-18, 2022.

There may be updates on the status of Provincial bargaining if there are any as well.



CTA Scholarship, Awards and Bursary Committee

This committee provides an opportunity for members to get involved in helping to approve or select recipients of CTA scholarships – Roy Krutow, Cam McKenzie, CTA Student Assistance Bursary, Barbara Venshoel, Trades & Arts, and Equity scholarships. The committee will meet in the Fall and again in June, at minimum, but may meet at other times throughout the year. This policy has recently been revised to change the composition of the committee and the scholarships were updated and will be in effect for the 2022-2023 school year.

There are several positions available on the committee if you or someone you know is interested in becoming involved:

- Alternate Education representative
- Continuing Education representative
- Member who identifies as Indigenous
- Member who identifies as Black or a person of colour
- Three (3) additional CTA members

The CTA President and our TFEU Finance Administrator also sit on this committee.

If you have any questions, please contact Kara Obojski, 1st Vice-President (kobojski@cta43.org).

If you are interested in the committee please submit a CV to Kelly S. at kstewart@cta43.org.



**Port Moody-Coquitlam
Coquitlam-Port Coquitlam
Returning Officers Needed**

Managing a federal election as a returning officer is as rewarding as it is challenging. The skills you bring to this paid position (with a variable work schedule) help make election day possible in your community. Your hard work to uphold the democratic process will give Canadian electors the opportunity to shape the future of our country. Apply by May 26 at elections.ca/jobs

PD POWER

Even though it's May, it is sort of a 'new year' in the world of PD, at least as far as reimbursement goes. May 1st is the start of a new fiscal year for yellow form reimbursement. This means that it is also a reset for the two completed yellow form reimbursements that each teacher is eligible for between May 1st and April 30th of each year. Remember that the yellow form can be used to reimburse pd on any day, not just workshops that fall on PD days, and you can even receive reimbursement for pd done during winter or spring break or summer! If you're not sure if something can fall under PD or not, you are always welcome to chat with your site based pd rep and/or email me (mcrawford@cta43.org). When you do, please include a link to the workshop(s) you are considering so I can more easily let you know if it can be reimbursed via the yellow form or not. - Meggan Crawford PD Chair



6th Annual Adult Centered Education Conference May 19 & 20, 2022

Executive Plaza Hotel Metro Vancouver

TWO FULL DAYS!!!

Thursday, May 19, 9:15 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Keynote - Jowi Taylor

Speaker Sessions

Panel Discussion

Dinner & Entertainment (Comedian & Casino Night)

Friday, May 20, 8:55 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Keynote - Susan Aglukark

<http://www.aceconference.net/index.html>



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Inspired by our exhibition Semá:th Xo:tsa:Sts'ólemeqwelh Sxó:tsa / Great Gramma's Lake. Learn, explore, and create through art! Led by our artist Educators, your visit includes a tour of our Art Gallery exhibition for inspiration and conversation, followed by hands-on art making in the studio.

SD43 teachers contact the box office to inquire about free workshops!

SCHOOL PROGRAM OPTIONS

Sketch-in (sketching and colouring) Grades K-12

Available Mondays and Tuesdays from May 7th to June 17th, 2022 Cost: \$120

Following a gallery tour of the new exhibition, Semá:th Xo:tsa: Sts'ólemeqwelh Sxó:tsa / Great Gramma's Lake, students will have a chance to sketch in the gallery, inspired by the masks of Stó:lō master carver E'yies'lek Rocky LaRock or the large-scale puppets on display. Students will then head to our studio to add colour to their composition and create a finished artwork.

Moments of Joy

Literally any video of Amaury Guichon creating art from chocolate and desserts...wow: [\(14\) Amaury Guichon - YouTube](#)

Thanks to Corbey for sharing this good news story about how disposable masks can find new purpose through recycling: <https://www.ctvnews.ca/video?playlistId=1.5881303>

The cat definitely stole the show during this interview: [Curious Cat Has Everyone Laughing During TV Interview \(sunnyskyz.com\)](#)

77 years ago US soldiers took a 13 year old's birthday cake from the window where it cooled, but on her 90th birthday it was finally replaced, complete with a ceremony! [US Army replaces cake it stole from Italian girl in 1945 \(yahoo.com\)](#)

Make a Face (Clay Masks) Grades K-12

Available Wednesdays - Fridays from May 7th to June 3rd, 2022 Cost: \$135

Tour the new exhibition, Semá:th Xo:tsa: Sts'ólemeqwelh Sxó:tsa / Great Gramma's Lake and find inspiration from the forms and expressions of the masks created by Stó:lō master carver E'yies'lek Rocky LaRock. In the studio, students will use slab hand- building techniques to create a mini clay mask character of their own. Masks will be glazed and fired. Clay processing takes four weeks and teachers will receive an email when it is time to pick up the art.

BOOKING DETAILS

K-2 max class size: 24 students + 3 adult chaperons
Grades 3+ max class size: 30 students + 3 adult chaperons

Mornings: 9-11 a.m. | Afternoons: 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Contact the box office for booking:

604-927-6552



Contact TTOC committee chair Morgan McKee (chair.ttoc@gmail.com) or Diether Malakoff (dmalakoff@cta43.org) if you have any questions about the committee or the bookclub.

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

CTA PD Committee

2 Middle Reps, 1 LSA Rep, 1 TTOC Rep
2 Elementary Reps, 1 Adult Ed Rep, 1 Learning Services Rep

CTA Teachers Teaching on Call Committee

7 members-at-large

CTA Committee of Action on Social Justice (CASJ)

2 Middle Reps, 1 member at large rep, 1 Elementary Rep

New Westminster & District Labour Council

5 CTA reps

CTA Adult Educators

1 Learning Centre Rep

CTA Policy and Procedure Committee

Currently Full

District Student Services Advisory Committee

2 CTA Reps

District Student Achievement Advisory Committee

1 CTA Rep

District Student Wellness & Safety Committee

1 CTA Rep

District Aboriginal Ed Advisory Committee

Currently Full

District French Advisory Committee

Currently Full

District Technology Advisory Committee

2 CTA Reps

Teachers interested in any of these committees should go onto our website or click here for a curriculum vitae form and submit it to the CTA Office (kstewart@cta43.org). If you have questions, call the CTA Office at **604-936-9971**.

Contact Us:

Please see the list below for the officer or staff member best able to help you.

(Last names A-F) Ken Christensen, President
kchristensen@cta43.org

(Last names G-L) Kara Obojski, 1st Vice-President
kobojski@cta43.org

(Last names M-R) Diether Malakoff, 2nd Vice-President
dmalakoff@cta43.org

(Last names S-Z) Andy Gilligan, Labour Relations Officer
agilligan@cta43.org

PD related questions

Meggan Crawford, PD Chairperson - mcrawford@cta43.org

CTA Administration

Kelly Roberts, Executive Director - kroberts@cta43.org

Accounting/Finance

Reimbursements, scholarship payments & CTA newsletter
Heidi Davis, Finance Administrator - hdavis@cta43.org

Membership Database, Website Access, Committees, Scholarships

Kelly Stewart, Office Clerk - kstewart@cta43.org

Office Clerk, CTA PD Day

Corbey Heyes-Jones, Office Clerk corbeyhj@cta43.org

If your situation is already being handled by an officer not matching your alpha assignment, please continue to liaise with that officer.



1-800-663-1142

TTY: 1-888-384-1152

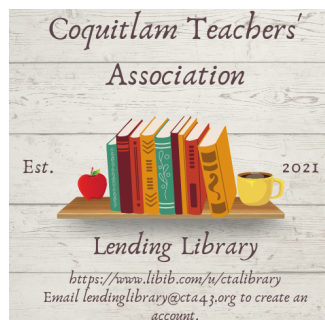
International (Call collect):
604-689-1717

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Employee and Family Assistance Program

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CTA Website Login

Information is posted on our website as quickly as we have it. Please make sure you are able to access the site. If you have any questions about login please contact [Kelly Stewart](mailto:kstewart@cta43.org)

www.coquitlamteachers.com

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