

COQUITLAM TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

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President's Message

Have a Good Summer!

As this is our final newsletter in the school year, I want to take some time celebrating and expressing some thanks. It's been a very tough year for the membership, definitely. Lots of stuff we wished had gone better, lots of stresses and strains brought on by Covid, shortages, budgetary matters, bargaining, and a host of other problems. Now we've come to the end and I want to thank you all for your efforts on behalf of students this year. Regardless of what challenges we faced, teachers stepped up for kids, as you always do.

I hope the summer brings you some rest and recuperation and that you'll be back in September ready to lean in to the challenging work of public education. For those who are retiring this year, we wish you well in all future endeavours and encourage you to remain involved through the Coquitlam Retired Teachers' Association. For those of you still facing layoff and recall this year, know that the CTA will be here to work through the summer to help you navigate that experience. For every teacher out there with thoughts and considerations here, the CTA remains a safe place to get a listening ear or email. Please reach out with any thoughts you have.

I thank, finally, the staff at the CTA, Kelly Roberts, Heidi Davis, Kelly Stewart, Pat Adolf, and Corbey Heyes-Jones. They have all worked hard this year to help us be our best.

Have a great summer and we shall see you in the Fall!

In Solidarity,
Ken

For Members turning 71 in 2022

If you are a member who is turning 71 in 2022, please make sure to apply to the Teachers' Pension Plan by November 1, 2022, for a pension effective date of December 1, 2022.

This is because, under the Income Tax Act, an employee aged 71 must start receiving their pension no later than December 1 of the same year they turn 71; however, they may continue working without interruption. On December 1, their employer will stop deducting contributions to the Plan from the member's pay; however, the employer may or may not inform the member of the requirement for them to start collecting their pension.

If you are aged 72 or older and are not collecting your pension from the Teachers' Pension Plan. You should contact the Teachers' Pension Plan and apply immediately for your pension. Their pension will be paid retroactively to December 1 in the year when you turned 71.

Pension questions? Contact Sarb Lalli, Assistant Director, Pensions & Group Benefits, BCTF @ slalli@bctf.ca or 604-871-1949



Roy Krutow Scholarships

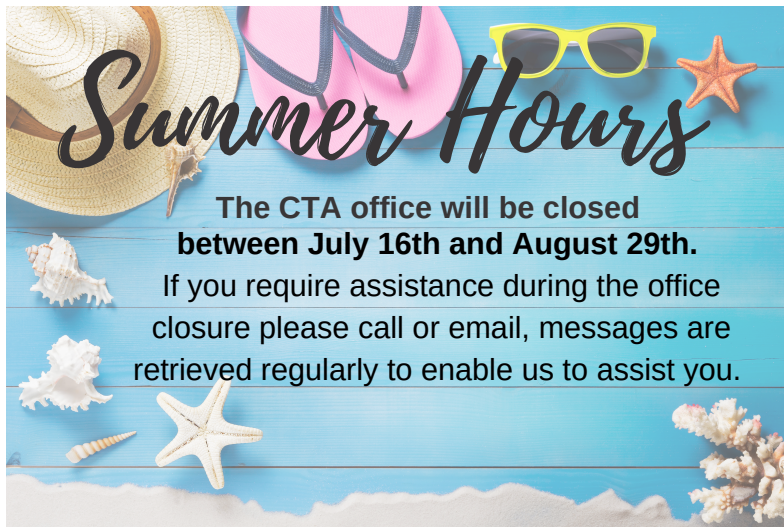
Each year the CTA awards two Roy Krutow Scholarships of \$1250.00 to the graduating child of a teacher employed by School District #43 or to the child of a retired or deceased teacher employed by School District #43 at the time of retirement or death. **Eligible candidates can attend ANY public school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

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

Application Deadline: July 1, 2022

Applications are available on our website under "Member Resources"; "CTA Forms"

Please send your application by email to Kelly at kstewart@cta43.org



The CTA office will be closed
between July 16th and August 29th.

If you require assistance during the office closure please call or email, messages are retrieved regularly to enable us to assist you.

The CTA and CPVPA Retirement Reception honouring retiring teachers and administrators will be held Thursday, September 15, 2022
4:00 - 6:00 pm, Poco Inn & Suites, Poco Room
1545 Lougheed Highway, Port Coquitlam, BC

Please RSVP to Kelly Stewart
kstewart@cta43.org

2022-2023 Staff and PD Rep Names Needed

School staffs should be selecting their CTA Staff Reps and PD Reps for the upcoming school year.

In order to plan for Training Sessions we will need to know who your **PD and Staff Reps** are **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

Summer PD

If you are planning to attend a workshop that has a cost please remember that summer pd is still eligible for yellow form reimbursement!

The CTA office closes for part of the summer the dates for submitting your form are a little different:

- **Workshops between now and July 15th:**
Yellow form due in no later than June 30th
- **Workshops between July 15th and September 24th:** Yellow form due in no later than September 9th.

Conference reports and receipts for summer PD: due in to pd@cta43.org no later than October 10th

PD POWER

We made it! However your school year went, I hope that you have plans to disconnect from your inbox, relax, and reconnect with things and people you love this summer. It has been another 'unique' year for PD and we are looking forward to re-discovering what 'normal' is for our professional learning in the next few years. A big thank you to everyone who served on the CTA PD Committee, a site-based PD Committee, or who was a PD rep this year – your work is valued and very appreciated!

A few PD reminders: **Yellow forms cannot be accepted digitally.**

If you are participating in a workshop between now and July 29 you need to have your yellow form in to the CTA office no later than July 15 at 4:30pm.

If you are attending a workshop between July 30 and September 23, your yellow form is due by September 9.

For all summer PD your conference report and receipt are due in to pd@cta43.org no later than 4:30pm on October 1, 2022. I hope you have a wonderful summer break and I look forward to continuing our professional learning conversations in the Fall! - *Meggan Crawford, PD Chairperson*

It's Summer...Let's Take it S.L.O! Summer Learning Opportunities 2022

| Tuesday, August 30, 2022 | Wednesday, August 31, 2022 | Thursday, September 1, 2022 |
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| 9:00 - 9:55 Primary Classroom Routines Jacqueline Favelle | 9:00 - 9:55 Designing a Comprehensive Literacy Program (K-5) Alexa Charles & Erin Reid | 9:00 - 9:55 Elementary Math Routine Jen Whiffin |
| 10:00 - 10:55 Fostering Resilience Camy Ng | 10:00 - 10:55 Reading and Writing Routines to Engage Middle Years Marna Macmillan | 10:00 - 10:55 Physical Literacy and Health Through Movement Sinead Joy |
| 11:00 - 11:55 Middle School Math Routines Laura Epp | 11:00 - 11:55 New to Support Roles K-12 Lynda Lewis, Caz Davidson & Jeanette Murphy | 11:00 - 11:55 Classroom Design K-5 Kelsey Keller |
| 12:00 - 1:00 Executive Function Strategies for all Classrooms Deb Vanderwood & Anita Jaswal | 12:00 - 1:00 TTOC Tips and Tricks Deanne Hughes | 12:00 - 1:00 Classroom Foundations - Creating a Positive Classroom Culture Rebekah Grayston & Savanah Howard |

If you are interested in connecting and learning with some amazing, experienced teachers, I invite you to click on the link below and fill out the Form. We would love for you to join us for our summer workshop series at the end of August!

Link for S.L.O: <https://forms.office.com/r/czRKKzwpiQ>

Secondly, if you would like to request a Mentor and/or join the Mentoring Network, I invite you to fill out the Form below.

Link to Request a Mentor: <https://forms.office.com/r/FyUzEZdtq4>

Moments of Joy

A Heritage Woods Secondary student brought Star Wars to their grad: [Port Moody student duels with light sabres during graduation - Tri-City News \(tricitynews.com\)](#)

Freya just wants to relax in the sun, but her chosen sunbathing spots keep sinking! [Sunbathing walrus sinks boats in Norway \(nbcnews.com\)](#)

These tiny frogs make big leaps...and then hope for the best as they flip, spin, and crash (but aren't hurt) every time: [Cartwheeling, crash-landing frog delights the internet \(cnn.com\)](#)

You can't help but smile at these 'reenactments' of different animals crossing the road: [\(31\) How Animals Would Cross the Road if They Were People. - YouTube](#)

Some actions have big impacts – in this case over a hundred million dollars to support displaced children: [Russian journalist sells Nobel Peace Prize for \\$103.5M to support Ukrainian children - National | Globalnews.ca](#)

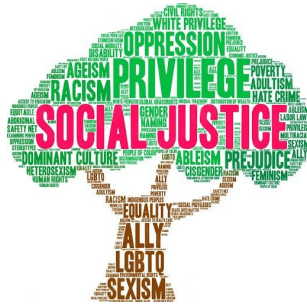
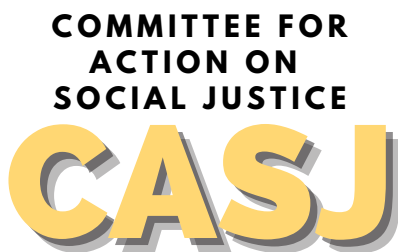
At 94 years old Claire Bauman is finally retiring – she stayed for this long because she loves the kids: [After Nearly 6 Decades Helping Students Cross Busy Camden County Road, 'Queen Of Walt Whitman Boulevard' Retires – CBS Philly \(cbslocal.com\)](#)

When everything that can go wrong, does go wrong, it's the power of a small community that comes together to save the day: [Scottish Islanders Save Couple's Wedding Across the Ocean After Nightmare Airport Saga Lost Their Luggage \(goodnewsnetwork.org\)](#)

Unexpected things come from unexpected places, like these new parents receiving a gift from a total stranger: [Text To Wrong Number Sends Act Of Kindness From Indiana To California \(sunnyskyz.com\)](#)

This baby elephant's reaction to the wind blowing its blanket around is adorable: ['There's A Ghost Under My Bed!' Sleeping Baby Elephant Runs To Mom When Blanket Moves \(sunnyskyz.com\)](#)

What better way to help bring publicity to animals in a shelter than to get people out walking with them, sharing pictures on social media, and lining up at the shelter for their turn to visit: [When This Animal Shelter Asked Pokémon Go Players To Walk Their Dogs, They Didn't Expect This | Bored Panda](#)



CASJ BOOKCLUB

Meets the first Thursday of every month.

The CASJ bookclub has wrapped up for this year.

We look forward to meeting again in the fall, happy summer reading to all!

CASJ COMMITTEE

Meets the 3rd Thursday of every Month

We look forward to seeing folks in the fall! Wishing everyone the best in the waning days of June, and a summer full of rest and relaxation.

Please contact Diether Malakoff with any questions (dmalakoff@cta43.org).

CTA CASJ is now on Instagram! Find us at [socialjusticecta](#). We're also on FB at [CTA CASJ](#).

No experience necessary, new members welcome!!
Please contact CTA liaison [Diether Malakoff](#) with any questions.

TTOC COMMITTEE

Meets the second Tuesday of every month

We're all wrapped up for this year.

Thank you to all of you who supported the work of the committee this year. We look forward to seeing you in the fall.

Keep in touch via [TTOC FB Group](#).

If you have any thoughts for next year, please pass them along. We are in need of members for the TTOC committee, please consider joining in the Fall.

All the best in the last weeks!

Contact Diether Malakoff (dmalakoff@cta43.org) if you have any questions about the committee or the bookclub.

— HAPPY — Retirement

**In great appreciation for all of your years of teaching,
we all want to say thank you for your knowledge and dedication.**

William (Bill) Adair (Pinetree)
Christine Areshenko (Learning Services)
Celeste Audette (Miller Park)
Anita Bell (Porter Street)
Sandy Bellet (Riverview Park)
Monika Bock (Central)
Frankie Brovold (Aspenwood)
Nancy Browne (Pinetree)
M. Linda Cairns (Banting)
James Carlson (Mary Hill)
Lynn Cecchini (Gleneagle)
Steven Charboneau (Terry Fox)
Jeff Christensen (Eagle Mountain)
Pamela Cropper (Bramblewood)
Warren Crowley (Learning Services)
Miriam Cyr (Riverside)
Robin Daciuk (Scott Creek)
Rita A. Danielle (Nestor)
Brian Dyck (Pinetree)
Melodie Ellis (Panorama)
Catherine Ford (Pleasantide)
Ryan Ford (Leigh)
Douglas Friend (Terry Fox)
Frances Friend (Lord Baden-Powell)
Lori Gregory (Gleneagle)
Aryn Gunn (Gleneagle)
Gary Horton (Riverside)
Lorne Hrycan
Leona Huggins (RC MacDonald)
Sandra Hutniak (Cedar Drive)
Krista Koverola-Stagiano (Scott Creek)

Donna Loss (Panorama Heights)
Susan Louie (Pinetree)
Mario Luongo (Riverside)
S. Denise Maguire (Summit)
Victor Mah (Porter Street)
Fahrah Mawani (Scott Creek)
Christine Meroniuk (Anmore)
Angelia Moulard (James Park)
Quirien Mulder Ten Kate (Gleneagle)
Susan Nickason (Mountain Meadows)
Lillian Pavich (Westwood)
Astrid Pedneault (Glenayre)
Jaema Pleasants (Harbour View)
Lynn Robinson (Central)
Russell Roemer (Dr. Charles Best)
Victoria Rogers (TTOC)
Stavros (Steve) Sainas, (Terry Fox)
Arun Sangar (Learning Services)
Chantal Schuler (Mary Hill)
Shekinah Shemah (Moody Elem.)
Luciano Stella (Glen)
Barbara Stephens (Anmore)
Deborah Strong (Learning Services)
Siobhan Swayne (Eagle Ridge)
Heidy Tilsner (Riverside)
Brian Unger (Gleneagle)
Patricia Van Der Meer (Birchland)
Beverly Vander Baaren (Panorama Heights)
Lisa Wollitzer (Central)
Peter Wunderlich (Westwood)
Wendy Young (Glen)

**Congratulations to all, please click on individual names for information
about celebrations that are planned.**

Contact tweissig@sd43.bc.ca for details on Barb Stephen's retirement

Contact Us:

www.coquitlamteachers.com

CTA Office: 604-936-9971



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

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

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

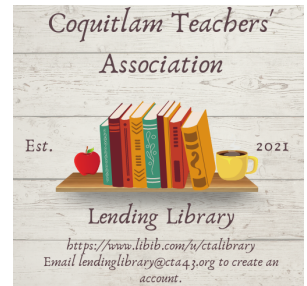
Kelly Stewart, Office Clerk - kstewart@cta43.org

Office Clerk, CTA PD Day

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

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



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

CTA Adult Educators

1 Learning Centre Rep

CTA Policy and Procedure Committee

Currently Full

CTA Scholarship, Awards and Bursary Committee

1 Alt. Ed Rep, 1 Cont. Ed. Rep, 1 Indigenous Member,
1 Member of Colour, 3 Additional CTA Members

CTA BIPOC Educators' Committee

For more information on being a part of this committee please email Ryan Cho, Shauna Clarke or Kelly Roberts

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

New Westminster & District Labour Council

5 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.



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