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# COQUITLAM TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

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### MARK IN THE PARK

THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 4-6 P.M. BLUE MOUNTAIN PARK (NEAR THE TENNIS COURTS)

- BRING YOUR MARKING, PLANNING, OR REPORTING & COLLABORATE WITH COLLEAGUES!
  - QUESTIONS FOR THE CTA? ASK THEM HERE!
    - WANT TO COMPARE NOTES ON THE REPORTING ORDER? COME JOIN US TO DISCUSS!



**THINGS TO BRING:** 

- CAMP CHAIR
- MARKING SUPPLIES
- YOUR QUESTIONS

CARPOOL WITH COLLEAGUES &
MAKE A FUN EVENING OUT OF YOUR
ASSESSMENT! SNACKS WILL BE
PROVIDED BY THE CTA!



### **Board Meeting Notes - May 23**

This past week's board meeting started off strongly with a presentation by students from Port Moody Secondary School who shared details of their Student Spaceflight Experiments Program submission (which went to space) and what they learned from it. Numerous events and achievements from around the district were shared, as was a third quarter financial update. Superintendent Gartland reported on the Intimate Images Protection Act, an increase in funding to early childhood education training programs in BC, and the high numbers of newcomers to Canada who are joining our school communities. Assistant Superintendent Nadine Tambellini and Principal Craig Mah shared an update on the Framework for Enhanced Student Learning with the full report coming in the fall, and a new Board authorized course, Indoor Marching Drumline 11, was approved. The next board meeting is June 20, 2023 at 7pm at the Education Learning Centre.

### TTOCs and Maternity/Parental Leave and other ESA Leaves

All members, including members working as TTOCs, should be receiving experience credit for any time on a statutory leave under the Employment Standards Act (ESA). The ESA provides for various statutory leaves but the one with the greatest impact on members' experience credit would be maternity/parental leaves, as they are the longest. If you took any leaves under the ESA, including a maternity/parental leave, while working as a TTOC, please contact our local office as there is a Provincial Grievance on this matter.

Please complete this brief <u>Failure to Fill Tracking</u> <u>Form</u> each time prep or service time is lost or recovered.

When having our ongoing discussions with the Board regarding TTOC shortages our biggest tool is data. If you have any questions on filling out the form please contact Diether Malakoff, 2nd Vice President <a href="mailto:dmalakoff@cta43.org">dmalakoff@cta43.org</a> or 604-936-9971

### School Site Calendar Building Reminder

When building your school calendars for the 2023-2024 school year, please help to keep the CTA Representative Assembly and General Meetings dates free so yourself and/or your staff can attend.



### President's Message

Adult Educator Motion

At the BCTF Rep Assembly this past weekend, the Local Reps successfully argued for passage of a referred AGM motion regarding Adult Education. What was argued was that the BCTF take steps to amend the outdated Dorsey decision at arbitration (2010) that has hamstung local and provincial bargaining of many core issues affecting Adult Educators in Dorsey decision locals, like ourselves, Burnaby, Surrey. This decision has meant 20 years of no prep time, limited PD access as well as many other small inequities suffered by this subset of CTA members. It is a great decision at the RA. The passage of this motion will have the Executive Committee address this in this unique way and report back to the Fall Rep Assembly. No more investigations, no more referrals to the Bargaining Conference, just hopefully action to fix this historic inequity.

### **Prince George Pride Parade**

I will be going to Prince George this weekend for their Pride Parade. This is the first one since 2019 and this community has had a really tough time up there for quite a while. The CTA has been very supportive of the actions of the local President, Daryl Beauregard, in facing some aggressive community response to his support of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community there. It looks like it will be a lovely day up there and you can expect a report on what transpires upon my return.

In Solidarity Ken



### National Indigenous History **Month**

#NIHM2023



### **EI WORKSHOP**

SPONSORED BY THE CTA

JOIN US AT THE GALLERY ROOM @
WINSLOW CENTRE 1100 WINSLOW AVE.
COQUITLAM

TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2023 4-6PM

#### LEARN HOW TO:

- Navigate the process
- Make effective, errorfree applications
- Maximize those benefits
- Much more!

RSVP <u>KSTEWART@CTA43.ORG</u> BEFORE FRIDAY JUNE 16, 2023

Refreshments will be served

# Roy Krutow Scholarship Applications

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 <u>website</u> Please send your application via email to Heidi at <u>hdavis@cta43.org</u>

### **Indigenous Tourism BC Events**

<u>Celebrating National Indigenous History</u> <u>month With CBC</u> - Books, Poetry and Stories

The Government of Canada website has many resources;

<u>Women, girls and 2SLGBTQI+ people</u> <u>Environment, traditional knowledge and</u> <u>territory</u>

<u>Children and youth</u> <u>Languages, cultures and arts</u> <u>Reconciliation</u>



Thank you to everyone who was a part of IGNITE43 on May 18! The presentations were full of thought, humour, and inspiration, and the conversations throughout the evening were great. As we head into the final month of this school year (how is it already June??), try to keep a few deadlines in mind for any Summer PD you might choose to do. If you are participating in a PD event that you would like reimbursement for between now and June 30, make sure that you meet the deadline and have your yellow form in to the CTA office no later than 4:30pm two weeks in advance of the event. If you are attending PD between July 1 and September 22 your yellow form can be submitted until September 8, 2023. The CTA office is closed for most of the summer and the PD Chairperson is not in the office until school starts again, so summer PD forms will not be processed until the Fall. If you submit something over the summer, please be patient and understand that your reimbursement will likely not reach you until October. Conference reports and receipts for all summer PD (any event between June 1 and September 1) are due by October 1, 2023. Keep in mind that yellow forms must be submitted in person (we DO NOT recommend using the mailbag) and cannot be submitted digitally. Conference reports and receipts can be emailed to pd@cta43.org and must include the documents as attached copies, not as links or images embedded in the email.

# French Yoga -Language in Molion

Take your French language experience to the next level by exploring the connection between heart, body and mind in this all-levels yoga series offered entirely in French for three Saturdays each term.

Learn or practice your French vocabulary as it relates to movement, breath and spiritual wellbeing. This series is a perfect add-on to your Extended Learning French classes. Get mentally and physically fitter while expanding your enjoyment of Francophone activities in Vancouver. All levels of French and yoga are welcome, and classes are open to Extended Learning students as well as members of the UBC community, UBC's Centre de la Francophonie and the broader French-speaking community. Donnez-vous un petit coin de paix et de connexion chez nous le Samedi matin. Language in Motion – French Yoga is offered in a hybrid setting over Zoom or in person at UBC Robson Square. Inperson spaces are limited, so register early. Register at French Yoga - Language in Motion | UBC Extended





### **Action-Oriented Education in FSL -**FREE workshop, June 1 – 4 p.m.

This workshop aims to present the foundations of the actionoriented approach in order to help teachers (re)orient their pedagogy towards "a competence perspective" (see CEFR, 2018). We will first review the key elements of the approach, in particular the notion of task and of the learner seen as a "social actor" using the language, then we will see how to integrate the action-oriented task into a perspective of coconstruction of meaning through interaction. The third part of our workshop will discuss the evaluation of interactional tasks before concluding with a discussion between participants. Throughout the workshop, we will use the Défi method (A1-A2) to illustrate our point with numerous examples of tasks and micro-tasks.

Action-Oriented Education in FSL | Continuing Studies at UVic

something to share?

Learning (ExL)

Does your school have Send your articles, posters, photos etc. to Heidi <a href="https://hdavis@cta43.org">hdavis@cta43.org</a> and we will try to include them in a future newsletter.

# COMMITTEE FOR ACTION ON SOCIAL JUSTICE





**CASJ Meeting** 

Thursday June 1, 2023 at 4:00pm

The meeting will be held at both the CTA office conference room and via Teams.

The agenda for the meeting is coming together. Stay in the loop by joining us on Teams.

### **CASJ Bookclub**

Bookclub folks will be finishing off Alice Wong's 'Year of the Tiger' for discussion at the next CASJ meeting. We'll be discussing options for the next club book selection either for summer reading or the first book in the fall. Bookclub meetings follow after CASJ meetings starting around 5pm.

No experience necessary, NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!! Please contact Melissa Illing with any questions.



This year National AccessAbility Week begins on Sunday, May 28, and runs until Saturday, June 3. Inspired by Rick Hansen's Man In Motion World Tour, it is an important week to recognize how far we've come and reflect on how we can become a better, more inclusive and more accessible Canada.

The Rick Hansen Foundation has created <u>a dedicated</u> <u>National AccessAbility Week resource webpage</u> just for educators. The webpage includes:

- ·Lessons and videos to teach youth about inclusion and accessibility.
- ·Morning announcement ideas to get your school excited about inclusion and accessibility
- ·A booking link for RHF Ambassador presentations.



### TTOCS & New Teachers

### TTOC Meeting Next meeting Thursday, June 15, 2023 starting at 7pm via zoom.

Join us on Facebook at 'CTA TTOCs'. Come out and share your experiences with other TTOCs in the district. Get answers to questions and help others with theirs! Let us know if you have any feedback regarding matters important to TTOCs.

KEEP IN MIND: Anyone who is currently TTOCing at least one day a week or in a fulltime temporary contract is eligible to be a member of the TTOC committee. All CTA members are welcome to attend these meetings as guests. COME ON OUT! BRING A FRIEND!

(dmalakoff@cta43.org)



### **BCTF Pension seminars**

### Every Wednesday via Zoom

May 31, June 7, 14, 21 and 28 TBD

All seminars will take place via Zoom from 4:30–6:00 p.m. <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87344950598?">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87344950598?</a>
<a href="pwd=YWVqNkVvN25mRDB]TTA4aU]SZ1h3QT09">pwd=YWVqNkVvN25mRDB]TTA4aU]SZ1h3QT09</a>

Pre-recorded webinars are available on the BCTF website at the following link: <a href="https://www.bctf.ca/topics/services-information/pensions-and-retirement">https://www.bctf.ca/topics/services-information/pensions-and-retirement</a>

Please call the BCTF at 604-871-1949 with questions related to TPP, CPP, and/or OAS Benefits.





### Diane Stevenson is retiring!!

Wednesday, June 21, 2023
at Samz pub (2342 Elgin Ave.)
\$30 includes gift and appetizers
\$10 gift only
3:30 to 6:00pm

Please RSVP/pay HERE by June 14th Castle Park Elementary will miss her!







Please come and celebrate Rissa's entry into endless vacation!

June 23, 2023

4:00 p.m. – LATE

630 Hillcrest Street Coquitlam (Parking available across the street)

> \$35.00 Gift and Appies \$20.00 Gift Only Cash Bar

Please RSVP by June 16 to: carolcoulson99@gmail.com

ETRANSFER: carolcoulson99@gmail.com



### Susanne Mansfield is retiring



# 40 years is enough and here's to the next 40!!!!!!

We wish Susanne all the very best as she enjoys new adventures.



\$15 for a contribution to gift only

RSVP and e-transfer: <a href="mailto:rhansen@sd43.bc.ca">rhansen@sd43.bc.ca</a> by Friday, May 19th



#### Elena Baboi is retiring!

Elena has worked for 36 years—13 years in Romania and 23 years in Canada (Coquitlam). She spent a few years at the elementary level but spent most of her years working with 11-14-year-olds.

Elena has always felt drawn to work with individuals on the fringes of society and disadvantaged groups; she will always fight for the fair treatment of all individuals, such as immigrants, individuals with disabilities, and individuals living with mental illnesses.

She is a believer in life-long learning!

Elena is looking forward to retirement to spend more time in her native country, fully immerse herself in "grandparenthood", travel and experience other ways of living and being, become older and wiser, and maybe go back to school.

École Moody Míddle School of The Arts has been fortunate to benefit from Elena's heart, her experience, and her knowledge for the past 15 years. She will be greatly missed, and we wish her a very Happy Retirement.



# Cheers to 36 years! Alison Bleasdale is retiring!

It's time to "par"tee with the "Queen of the Greens"

as her retirement is in full "swing"

Please join us to celebrate Ali's wonderful

36 year teaching career!



When? Thursday June 15, 2023
Where? Romers - Growler Room -

upstairs

7-101 Morrissey Road Port Moody (Suterbrook)

Time? 4-7pm

Gift & Appetizers \$40.00 Gift only \$15.00

RSVP to Kgodin@sd43.bc.ca by June 1st. Please send cheque made payable to "Heritage Mountain Elementary School" or to pay online go to:

https://sd43.schoolcashonline.com

### CELEBRATE

THE RETIREMENT OF

### LARRY MORO

AFTER

40 YEARS OF TEACHING

#### WHEN

Thursday June 22<sup>nd</sup> 3:30 pm onward.

### WHERE

The Port Moody Legion 2529 Clarke St. Port Moody, BC V3H 121

### **CONTRIBUTING**

If you are interested in contributing to Larry's Gift and Celebration.

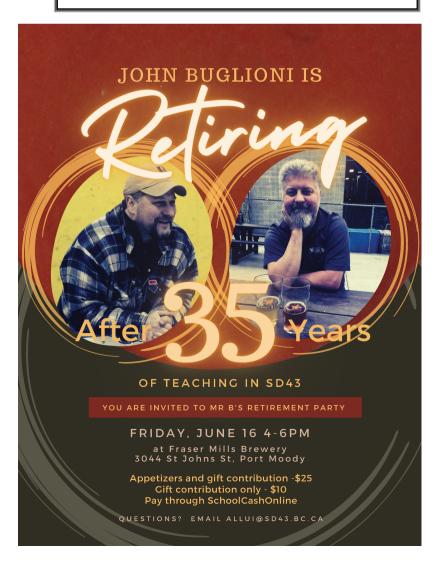
Please pay \$20.00 to Suz Rutledge or Kevin Comeau. It will go to both a gift and appetizers at the celebration. This will also act as a RSVP so we can keep track of numbers.



### **OUESTIONS.**

Chat with Suz Rutledge or Kevin Comeau or email:

srutledge@sd43.bc.ca kcomeau@sd43.bc.ca





Please join us in celebrating the esteemed career of Bernadette Howells.

**TUESDAY** 

20 JUNE 2023

At 3 PM

#### **JOHN B PUB**

1000 Austin Ave, Coquitlam \$25 per person







TRAVELS!

COME CELEBRATE
KAREN'S RETIREMENT
& 35 YEARS OF
TEACHING

Karen Wackay



JUNE

6

3:30-6:00 PM

MILLER PARK SCHOOL 800 EGMONT AVE COQUITLAM (LEARNING COMMONS)

RSVP BY MAY 30



\$20 GIFT & APPIES \$10 GIFT ONLY RSVP <u>HERE</u> <del>(</del>





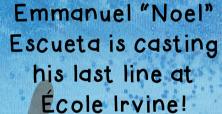
Marilyn Nunn is retiring after 40 years with SD43! Marilyn has taught at Maillard Junior, George Pearkes Junior, Terry Fox Secondary, and Heritage Woods Secondary.

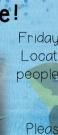
Marilyn looks forward to being able to ski midweek, learning to wing foil and travelling to warm countries. She also plans on watching her nephews race World Cup in Europe, learning Spanish, and Salsa dancing!

Date: Wednesday, June 28th from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Location: private home in Anmore (address given when you RSVP)

Cost: \$20 food & gift; \$10 gift only RSVP HERE





Friday June <sup>qth</sup> at 4:00 p.m. Location will be emailed to people who RSVP closer to the date

Please let us know if you can attend or if you just wish to contribute to the gift by May 26<sup>th</sup> by filling out this form

Food and drinks will be purchased individually but there will be cake!

To contribute \$20 to the group gift, please visit this link to School Cash Online



### 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) Meggan Crawford, PD Chairperson, Member Support mcrawford@cta43.org

#### **CTA Administration**

Kelly Roberts, Executive Director - kroberts@cta43.org

Accounting/Finance - PD Reimbursements, Scholarships & CTA newsletter

Heidi Davis, Finance Administrator - hdavis@cta43.org

Membership, Website Access, Committees
Kelly Stewart, Office Clerk - <a href="mailto:kstewart@cta43.org">kstewart@cta43.org</a>

CTA PD Day, Website Updates, CTA Lending Library 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.

### COMMITTEE OPPORTUNITIES

### **CTA Standing Committees**

### **CTA PD Committee**

- 1 Middle Rep, 1 TTOC Rep, 1 CASJ
- 1 Learning Services Rep,
- 1 Member who identifies as Indigenous
- 1 Member who identifies as Black or a Person of Colour

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

- 8 Members-at-Large,
- 1 Member who identifies as Indigenous
- 1 Member who identifies as Black or a Person of Colour

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

- 1 Secondary, 2 Middle Reps, 1 Member-at-Large rep,
- 1 Elementary Rep, 1 Member who identifies as Indigenous, 1 Member who identifies as Black or a Person of Colour

### **School District Advisory Committees**

Student Services Advisory - 2 CTA Reps

Student Achievement Advisory - 1 CTA Rep

**District Student Wellness & Safety - Currently Full** 

**District Indigenous Ed Advisory - Currently Full** 

**District French Advisory - Currently Full** 

District Technology Advisory - 1 CTA Rep

**District Accesability Advisory** - Currently Full

### **CTA Adult Educators**

Currently Full

### **CTA Policy and Procedure Committee**

- 1 CTA Member-at-Large
- 1 Member who identifies as Indigenous
- 1 Member who identifies as Black or a Person of Colour

### **CTA Scholarship, Awards and Bursary Committee**

- 1 Cont. Ed. Rep, 1 Alt Ed Rep, 2 Additional CTA Members
- 1 Member who identifies as Indigenous
- 1 Member who identifies as Black or a Person of Colour

### **CTA BIPOC Educators' Committee**

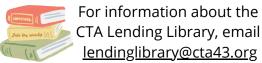
For more information, please email Ryan Cho.

### **New Westminster and District Labour Council**

5 CTA reps

Teachers interested in any of these committees should go to our website or <u>click here</u> 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.

### CTA LENDING LIBRARY



### **CTA Website Access**

Information is posted on our website as quickly as we have it.

Please make sure you are able to access the site. SD43 email security settings may not allow a password reset online.

If you need to reset your password, please contact <u>Kelly Stewart</u>

