

# COQUITLAM TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

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## BCTF AGM Delegates

The BCTF AGM will be held March 14-17, 2026  
at the Hyatt Regency Vancouver

The CTA will elect 26 delegates to the BCTF AGM  
at our General Meeting, January 21, 2026.

Please submit your CV form to  
[corbeyhj@cta43.org](mailto:corbeyhj@cta43.org) before January 14, 2026

## CTA REP ASSEMBLY GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

Winslow Centre - Gym, 4:00 p.m.

### Rep Assembly Agenda

1. Call to Order
  - Adoption of the agenda
  - Adoption of the minutes of the Representative Assembly held November 12, 2025
2. Ratification of Committee Appointments
3. Adjournment [4:10 pm]

### General Meeting Agenda

1. Call to order
  - Adoption of the agenda
  - Adoption of the minutes of the General Meetings held December 3, 2025
2. Elections
  - CTA Delegates to the 2026 BCTF AGM
  - CTA 2025-2026 Executive Committee positions
3. Provincial Bargaining [In-Committee]
4. School Concerns
5. Leadership Report
6. Proposed Bylaw & Policy changes
7. Prize Draw
8. Adjournment [5:45 pm]



## Board of Education Meeting

Would you like to be more informed about what the SD43 board of education is working on and show that you support public education?

Join members of the CTA Executive Committee at the January 13, 2026 Public Board Meeting at 7:00 pm at the Education Learning Centre (1080 Winslow Avenue, Coquitlam).

Wear your **#RedForBCed** and hear all about the Board's most recent work!

# President's Message

Welcome Back!

We hope the break was as rejuvenating and restful as it could possibly be, for all the members of the CTA! The pull from September to the holiday season is always the most demanding part of the year. 2026 sallies forth with the ongoing issue of provincial bargaining, which remains unresolved and unlikely to be without a significant change in the funding stance of the provincial government. As we've said before, please keep yourself up to date by reading the Bargaining page on the BCTF website. All the latest news, proposal exchanges, etc. will be documented there. We can also help you, just give us a call or email with your questions, concerns.

In Solidarity - Ken

# HEALTH AND SAFETY REP TRAINING

The CTA is running health and safety rep training on January 15, 20, and 21. **This training is not the same as training provided by the employer.**

It is important that your site's health and safety rep attend to get important information about how incidents should be reported, what occurs when a report is made, and when to access WorkSafe. There will also be a discussion around the intersections between bargaining and health and safety. If your site's rep is unable to attend, an alternate CTA member can attend in their place. Please ensure that someone from your site registers as soon as possible for this important training. **Questions can be sent to Meggan ([mcrawford@cta43.org](mailto:mcrawford@cta43.org)).**

**Register now at: [CTA - Health & Safety Training](#)**

## INTERESTED IN WORKING AT THE CTA OFFICE?

The CTA Professional Development Chair and Labour Relations Officer positions are filled on an annual basis. The CTA is now seeking members interested in these positions for 2026-2027.

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CHAIRPERSON

**Release time for this position is currently 0.4 FTE.**

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to: chairing the PD Committee and the CTA PD Day Committee, developing, organizing and implementing professional development activities for the CTA Professional Development Day, processing applications for PD assistance and course fee assistance, and maintaining a liaison between the CTA and the BCTF in matters of Professional Development.

The successful candidate will be well organized, have a sound knowledge of, and be highly committed to, professional development.

### LABOUR RELATIONS OFFICER

**Release time for this position is currently 1.0 FTE.**

Responsibilities include but are not limited to: dealing with member concerns and issues, researching, preparing and presenting grievances, collaborating with Table Officers, maintaining confidentiality, and working with members through the investigatory/discipline process.

The successful candidate will have excellent presentation skills and the ability to deal effectively with confrontational and stressful situations.

**Members interested in either of these positions should go to our website for an [application package \(Forms & Scholarships\)](#).**

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA EMAIL TO [KROBERTS@CTA43.ORG](mailto:KROBERTS@CTA43.ORG) BEFORE 4:00 PM, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2026**





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# PD Power

The CTA-sponsored, district-wide PD Day, **Every Learner, Every Story**, will take place at Riverside Secondary on **February 27, 2026**. The PD Committee has approved an exciting and wide-ranging selection of workshops, made possible by the incredible generosity and expertise of colleagues from across the district. This year's theme has also drawn interest from new presenters, bringing fresh perspectives and topics to the day. With such a diverse lineup, there will be something meaningful for everyone—no matter your interests or where you are in your career.

The registration link will be shared soon. Please note that many workshops will have strict participant limits, so we encourage you to register early to secure your preferred sessions.

## BCTF 2025–26 New Teachers' Conference (NTC): Unexpected Generosity.

This conference is designed for teachers in their first five years of teaching, student teachers, teachers teaching on call, and those who are coming back to teaching after moving or being away from the classroom.

**Click here to register** for the **NTC in Vancouver**  
**Saturday, February 7, 2026**

Coast Coal Harbour Vancouver Hotel

**Click here to register** for the **NTC in Kelowna**  
**Saturday, May 9, 2026**

Coast Capri Hotel Kelowna

## 2021 to 2025 Course Fee Assistance Eligibility for historical application

Members who were previously eligible for Course Fee Assistance between 2021 and 2025 for courses that began from May 1 to August 30 of each year, but who did not receive course fee assistance are reminded that they are now eligible to submit an application and receive reimbursement.

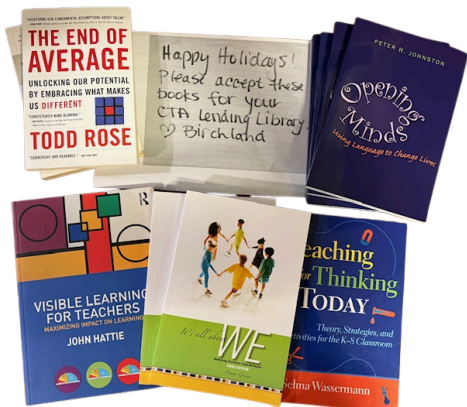
**The deadline for these historical applications is April 30, 2026.**

At the start date of the course you needed to have been working on a continuing contract for a minimum of two years in order to be eligible. Questions can be directed to [coursefeeassistance@sd43.bc.ca](mailto:coursefeeassistance@sd43.bc.ca).



The CTA has Teacher resources, such as technology, educational theory texts, and publications covering personal growth, labour history, and social justice topics to loan to interested members.

**For info about the CTA Lending Library, or to check out materials email [lendinglibrary@cta43.org](mailto:lendinglibrary@cta43.org).**



Thank you to **Birchland Elementary** for recently donating the above titles to our lending library!

## BCRTA Pre-Retirement Workshops Free - Online

The BCRTA popular online workshops are now scheduled for the fall/winter and Spring of 2025/26.

The important decisions that will determine your retirement lifestyle should not be made at the last minute as you fill out your forms.

This seminar will prepare you to confidently make choices that are right for you.

You get planning materials along with answers to questions you have about your retirement.

The agenda includes: TPP, CPP, OAS and voluntary group benefits. We show some of the differences between the plans and help equip you to select the plan that best suits your needs.

To register for a **free online workshop click here** or go to the **BCRTA website** for more information.



# COMMITTEE OPPORTUNITIES



## CTA Negotiations Committee

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

## CTA Adult Educators

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

## CTA Policy and Procedure Committee

- 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 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 [Anna Razzell](mailto:anna.razzell@cta43.org).

## CTA PD Committee

- 1 Elementary Rep, 1 TTOC Rep, 1 CASJ Rep, 1 LSA Rep
- 1 Member who identifies as Indigenous
- 1 Member who identifies as Black or a Person of Colour

## CTA Teachers Teaching on Call Committee

- 6 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)

- 3 Secondary Reps, 1 Middle Reps, 3 Elementary Reps,
- 1 Member-at-Large
- 1 Member who identifies as Indigenous
- 1 Member who identifies as Black or a Person of Colour

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



## School District Advisory Committees

- Student Services Advisory - Currently Full
- Student Achievement Advisory - Currently Full
- District Student Wellness & Safety - 1 CTA Reps
- District Indigenous Ed Advisory - 1 CTA Rep
- District French Advisory - Currently Full
- District Technology Advisory - 1 CTA Rep
- District Accessibility Advisory - Currently Full
- District Anti-Racism Committee – 1 CTA Rep

## SANCTUARY SCHOOLS WORKING GROUP

The CTA is seeking 6 CTA members to form a working group to inform the CTA Executive Committee's work on engaging the district on the matter of adopting a Sanctuary Schools Policy.



If you have any questions about the working group, please contact [Diether Malakoff](mailto:Diether.Malakoff@cta43.org), 1st Vice President. Please submit a CV form to the [CTA office](mailto:cta@cta43.org).



## New Westminister and District Labour Council

4 CTA Representatives



# TTOC'S & New Teachers'

Are you working some part of your time on call or in a temporary contract? If so, you're invited to join us at the Teachers Teaching on Call Committee meeting next Tuesday, January 13. We will be making some plans for spring workshops and TTOC Appreciation Week. Last year we held a social at Samz pub – what would you like to see us do this year? Join us on Zoom starting at 4:00 to be a part of the discussion!

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## Local Specialist Associations

An LSA is a local chapter of a PSA (Provincial Specialist Association).

If you are interested in joining an existing LSA or starting a new one, contact the LSA or Council Chair [Nicole Roberge](#) for more information.

**Coquitlam Music Teachers Association (CMTA)**

**Tech Ed (Technology Education)**

**CUE43 (SD43 Education Technology)**

**Coquitlam Drama Teachers' Association**

**Inclusive Teachers: FASD and ND**

**Environment Educators of Coquitlam**

**Coquitlam Teacher Librarians Association (CTLA)**

**School Counsellors**

**Film & Media**

**Visual Arts**

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If you have any questions please contact Diether Malakoff, 1st Vice President [dmalakoff@cta43.org](mailto:dmalakoff@cta43.org) or 604-936-9971.

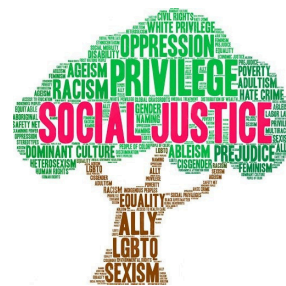


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The CTA BIPOC Educators' Committee is having a New Year social! Please join us at **Jamila's Kitchen and Grill** on Monday January 26, 2026 at 4:30pm. RSVP via email by 4:30 pm on Friday January 23, 2026.

The CTA BIPOC Educators' Committee is for any Coquitlam teacher who identifies as Black, Indigenous, or a Person of Colour. BIPOC teachers can join our email list without regularly attending meetings or joining the committee. No CV needed. Contact Anna Razzell at [bipoceducators@cta43.org](mailto:bipoceducators@cta43.org) for more information.

COMMITTEE FOR  
ACTION ON  
SOCIAL JUSTICE  
**CASJ**



The Committee for Action on Social Justice is meeting today starting at 4:00pm to discuss current social justice topics and to plan some events for the remainder of the school year! If you are passionate about social justice or want to understand more about it, please join us – any CTA member is welcome to attend, even if you aren't yet an official member of the committee. Feel free to join the conversation this afternoon via Zoom:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82964550393?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82964550393?pwd=0RcJdLqDBOda9beK26jp8PmpaiUVSo.1)

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Meeting ID: 829 6455 0393, Passcode: 700387



# Contact Us:

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CTA Office: 604-936-9971



Please use the links to contact the officer or staff member best able to help you.

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**Sherina Chandra, PD Chair**

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**1-800-663-1142**

TTY: 1-888-384-1152

International (Call collect):  
604-689-1717

[HomeWeb.ca](http://HomeWeb.ca)

## CTA Website Access

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 Kelly Stewart**



**Kelly Roberts, Executive Director**

CTA Administration

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CTA PD Day, Committees, CTA Lending Library

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