

COQUITLAM TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

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ALL OF US AT THE CTA OFFICE HOPE YOU
HAVE A SAFE, HAPPY AND RESTFUL SUMMER!!!

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Summer PD Deadlines

If you are planning to sign up for conferences or workshops over the summer months, please be aware that the CTA office closes for part of the summer and the dates for submitting your PD Assistance Form are a little different:

- Workshops taking place before July 26 follow the current 2 week rule.
- Workshops between July 26 and September 20 are due September 6.
- Conference Reports and Receipts for activities which concluded from June 13 to September 1 are due by October 1, 2024.

The CTA Office is open until July 11 to accept and date stamp your paperwork.

Receipts and Conference Reports can be emailed as an attachment to pd@cta43.org so you don't miss your deadline!



Summer Hours

The CTA Office will be closed between
July 12 and August 26, 2024

If you require assistance during the office closure please call or email [Ken](#) or [Diether](#).

Messages are retrieved regularly to enable us to assist you.



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Scholarships

ELIGIBILITY & CRITERIA

2 Scholarships Available
\$1,250 each!

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Who Can Apply?

Children of teachers currently employed by SD43 or children of deceased or retired teachers who were employed by SD43 at the time of their death or retirement.

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Deadline: July 1, 2024

Applications can be dropped off at the CTA Office, post mailed to the office, or emailed to scholarship@cta43.org

Application form available at:

<https://www.coquitlamteachers.com/forms-scholarships/scholarships/>

CTA

President's Message

It is with mixed emotions that we draw the 2023-24 school year to a close. It's been a busy one for us and definitely, for you as well. We've seen the pace of change continue to accelerate in all aspects of our work and while change can be exciting, it's definitely not when its overwhelming and too fast. The Officer team and the TFEU staff at the CTA are grateful for the hard work of teachers, staff reps, PD reps, committee members, PSA and LSA members and every other interaction with the union that has come to pass this year. We do deeply value our work and yours and hope the summer is as rejuvenating as it can possibly be. We look forward to seeing you again in the Fall.

In Solidarity - Ken



CTA & CPVPA

Retirement Reception

Thursday, September 12, 2024

4:00 - 6:00 pm,

Poco Inn & Suites, Poco Room

1545 Lougheed Highway, Port Coquitlam, BC

Please RSVP to Kelly Stewart

kstewart@cta43.org

TTOCs & New Teachers

The CTA is aware that the 50% rule again made an appearance in the district's request for information around TTOC's work intentions for the next school year. We have been told that the employer is not currently enforcing their 50% rule due to the ongoing teacher shortage. If you receive communication from the employer around an obligation to be available for 50% of the time, please let us know at the CTA. Although letters may be going out, we would like to ensure that no one is at risk due to this rule.

JOIN THE PRIDE PARADE!

AUGUST 4TH VANCOUVER

Register at:
<https://tinyurl.com/CTAPride>

PRIDE MONTH

REGALITY FOR ALL

HAPPY PRIDE

CTA

Executive Committee Vacancies

The following EC positions are still vacant

One (1) Member-At-Large who identifies as Black or a Person of Colour

One (1) Member-At-Large

If you are interested in running one of these positions please go to our [website](#), to get and submit a CV (Forms & Scholarships) to Corbey@cta43.org

Please complete this brief [Failure to Fill Tracking Form](#) each time prep or service time is lost or recovered.

If you have any questions on filling out the form please contact Diether Malakoff, 1st Vice President dmalakoff@cta43.org or 604-936-9971

PD Power

Make sure you enjoy your summer! However, when you get back in September, please keep in mind that Provincial Specialist Associations' PD Day deadlines for early-bird pricing and Yellow Forms comes up pretty fast with all the other excitement of back-to-school. Make sure you check out your PSA Day options early for the best deals and the least stress!

[Provincial Specialist Associations \(bctf.ca\)](http://ProvincialSpecialistAssociations.com)

[PSA Day 2024](#)

Election of PD Representative

How to elect your PD Representative: PD Reps should be freely elected by the site CTA members and this role must be independent of any administrative or department/team leadership roles. Best practice is to have elections the first week of September when most staff for 2024/2025 will be confirmed and able to participate. Those members overseeing the vote are asked to consider accessibility for part-time colleagues in their voting timeline. It is a tight turnaround at the busy start of the year, so please make sure that PD & Staff Rep voting is on the agenda for the first week back!

Policy 51. PD Representatives

- a. 2. Be elected for a one year term.
 - i. Two CTA members who are not running for election will oversee the elections.
 - ii. Elections must occur by secret paper ballot.
 - iii. Results shall be communicated to the CTA Office, by September 15, 2024



Interested in trying Dragon Boating for yourself or your class?

Nothin' Dragon, a Society of Masters aged dragon boaters, has been operating out of Port Moody's Rocky Point Park, their base is at the Old Mill Boathouse, for 26 years.

Many of the teams members are retired educators. Nothin' Dragon boaters have been very active in the community for many years, including sponsoring a dragon boat team of high school students from Riverside and Gleneagle in SD 43. For more information or to check them out follow this link <https://nohindragon.org/>



Summer Learning

Tuesday August 27th

9:00 - 11:00; online:

How to use Math Up

9:00 - 11:00; Winslow STEAM Lab:

Kids in the Know Training

11:15 - 12:45; Winslow STEAM lab:

Navigating Digital Citizenship and Online Safety

11:15 - 12:45; ONLINE:

Développer les habilités de communication orale

1:00 - 3:00; Education Learning Centre, B103-104:

Introduction to Learning Services.

Wednesday August 28th

9:00-11:00; Education Learning Centre B103-104:

Building Community and Creating Classroom Routines.

11:15-12:45; online:

Accessibility Tools and Inclusive Education.

11:00 - 2:00; Winslow Centre:

Getting a Great Start in Numeracy for Early Career Elementary Teachers.

Thursday August 29th

9:00-11:00; Winslow:

Strategies for Success in Reading Instruction.

9:00-12:00; B107, Education Learning Centre:

New Counsellor's Meeting.

[Register here, join as many sessions as you'd like.](#)

If you have any questions, please email Deanne at dhughes@sd43.bc.ca.



FREE Teacher Open House

Thursday, August 29

10.00am - 12.00pm

Meet our Education Team & learn about:

- Field Trips (guided & self-guided)
- Professional Development Workshops
- Free access for teachers to our Adult Education courses
- Teacher resources available in VanDusen's Library

Enjoy a guided tour of the Garden with our Education facilitators before continuing to explore the Garden on your own for the afternoon. [Register Now.](#)



Board of Trustees of the BCTF Salary Indemnity Trust

The BCTF is establishing a formal trust for the governance of the Salary Indemnity Plan. Effective January 1, 2025, the Board of Trustees of the BCTF Salary Indemnity Trust will be responsible for the governance of the plan. Day-to-day administration of the plan will continue to be performed by the BCTF as the plan's administrative agent.

Please be advised that the posting for BCTF members interested in serving in the role of trustee is now open.

All voting members of the BCTF and/or members of the Salary Indemnity Plan are eligible to be appointed and/or serve as trustees, with the following exceptions:

- BCTF Executive Committee members (during their term as BCTF Executive Committee member)
- Trustees of the Teachers' Pension Plan (during their term as Teachers' Pension Plan trustee)
- affiliate administrative members of the Plan, and
- BCTF staff who are engaged in the administration of the Plan.

The posting and online application form can be found [here](#). Note, the application deadline is September 11, 2024.



Negotiations Committee

Our Collective Agreement is up for re-negotiation in 2025, and a new Negotiations Committee is required.

As per CTA Policy 7.a the committee still has the following spots available:

- 1 Member who identifies as Black
- 1 Member who identifies as Indigenous

Members-at-large shall be elected to serve until a new Collective Agreement has been ratified by both parties. If you are interested in running for one of these positions please submit a CV to Corbey at the CTA Office.

If you have any questions please contact Meggan Crawford, Lead Negotiator or call 604-936-9971

COMMITTEE FOR ACTION ON SOCIAL JUSTICE CASJ



CASJ had its last meeting of the year and is now looking ahead to the summer! The Committee invites anyone interested to join them in reading Yellow Face by RF Kuang over the summer and into September. The first meeting of the year will be sometime in September – dates and locations will be shared in the first few newsletters of the next school year.





The CTA BIPOC Educators' Committee is for any Coquitlam teacher who identifies as Black, Indigenous, or a Person of Colour. For more information: <https://www.coquitlamteachers.com/committees/bipoc-educators-committee/>. BIPOC teachers can join our email list without regularly attending meeting or joining the committee. To join us or ask any questions you might have contact Ryan Cho at bipoceeducators@cta43.org

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, 1st Vice President. Please submit a CV form to the CTA office.

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.

Ken Christensen, **President** kchristensen@cta43.org

Meggan Crawford, **2nd Vice-President**, mcrawford@cta43.org

Diether Malakoff, **1st Vice-President** dmalakoff@cta43.org

Ronak Pahlevanlu, **Labour Relations Off.** rpahlevanlu@cta43.org

Ryan McMahon, **PD Chair**, pd@cta43.org

CTA Administration

Kelly Roberts, Executive Director - kroberts@cta43.org

Membership, Website Access, Staff Reps

Kelly Stewart, Admin Assistant - kstewart@cta43.org

Accounting/Finance - PD, Scholarships & Newsletter

Heidi Davis, Finance Administrator - hdavis@cta43.org

CTA PD Day, Committees, CTA Lending Library

Corbey Heyes-Jones, Admin. Assistant - corbeyhj@cta43.org

COMMITTEE OPPORTUNITIES

CTA Standing Committees

CTA PD Committee

- 1 Middle Rep, 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

- 7 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 Middle Reps, 1 Member-at-Large rep ,
- 2 Elementary Reps, 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 Middle Rep
- District Student Wellness & Safety** - 1 CTA Rep
- District Indigenous Ed Advisory** - Currently Full
- District French Advisory** - 1 CTA Rep
- District Technology Advisory** - Currently Full
- District Accessibility Advisory** - Currently Full
- District Anti-Racism Committee** - Currently Full
- District Public Speaking** - 2 Elementary Reps, 1 Middle Rep

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

CTA Adult Educators

- 1 High School Completion Rep
- 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, 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](mailto:Ryan.Cho).

New Westminster and District Labour Council

5 CTA reps



LENDING LIBRARY

For information about the CTA Lending Library, email lendinglibrary@cta43.org

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](mailto:Kelly.Stewart)



1-800-663-1142
TTY: 1-888-384-1152
International (Call collect):
604-689-1717
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