

COQUITLAM TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

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CTA Representative Assembly & General Meeting

Wednesday, January 22, 2025 - 4:00 pm

Winslow Centre – Gym - 1100 Winslow Avenue, Coquitlam, BC

Representative Assembly

Acknowledgement

1. Call to Order
 - Adoption of the agenda
 - Adoption of the minutes of the Representative Assembly held November 6, 2024
2. Ratification of Committee Appointments
3. Adjournment [4:10 pm]

General Meeting

1. Call to order
 - Adoption of the agenda

- Adoption of the minutes of the General Meetings held December 4, 2024
2. Elections
 - CTA Delegates to the 2025 BCTF AGM
 - CTA 2024-2025 Executive Committee positions
 3. School Concerns
 4. Leadership Report
 5. Local Bargaining [In-Committee]
M. Crawford, Bargaining Chair
 6. Prize Draw
 7. Adjournment [5:45 pm]

**DOOR PRIZE: 2 tickets to the Vancouver Canucks game on
Wednesday, April 2, 2025 – vs Seattle Kraken!!!**

President's Message

Welcome Back and Election information!

It is hoped that folks are returning somewhat rested from the break and that the time with friends and family was rejuvenating. Lots coming our way immediately, of course, as per usual in this profession. One thing of note, particularly to residents of Coquitlam, is that we have a by-election coming up to replace School Trustee Jennifer Blatherwick, who was successful in her run as MLA in the last provincial election. This will be a contested election and why it is of interest to all teachers in the Tri-Cities is the Board acts as a whole, not just geographically. So, a good candidate for a spot in Coquitlam, who only Coquitlam voters can vote for, can still have an impact on folks in Port Coquitlam, Port Moody, Anmore and Belcarra, as well as those who live elsewhere but work here. We will be surveying candidates as soon as the nomination period is over so, stay tuned for that information. The nomination period is over on January 17th and the election is February 22, with advance polls being available February 12th and 15th.

In Solidarity - Ken

There's an App for that!



The CTA is excited to now have our Union Strong app up and running for our members!

Turn notifications on to stay up to date with the most current information - bargaining, meetings and so much more!

Use the QR code to download the Union Strong app today!



CTA Executive Committee Vacancies

1 Member who identifies as Indigenous

1 Member at Large

Members interested in running for this position should submit a CV form to Corbey at the CTA Office



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

LOCAL MATTERS AGREEMENT

The CTA and the Employer have signed off on a Local Matters Agreement (LMA) and are now seeking ratification of this local bargaining agreement. The LMA is posted on the CTA website behind the secure portal - **you must log in** and then visit the Bargaining page to read the details.

We will be sharing the details of the LMA at the January 22 Representative Assembly and General Meeting and hosting several information sessions throughout February and into March. We encourage all members to attend one of these sessions to fully understand the impact of these proposed changes, ask questions, and inform themselves before the local ratification vote, planned for late April.

FEB 04	INFO SESSION Terry Fox Secondary Library 4:30-6:00 pm
FEB 10	INFO SESSION Inlet Theatre (100 Newport Drive, Port Moody) 4:00-6:00 pm
FEB 20	INFO SESSION Pinetree Secondary MPR/Cafeteria 4:00-6:00 pm
FEB 28	INFO SESSION Riverside Secondary 2:45-4:00 pm (following the PD day)
MARCH 4	VIRTUAL INFO SESSION 4:00-6:00 pm via Zoom

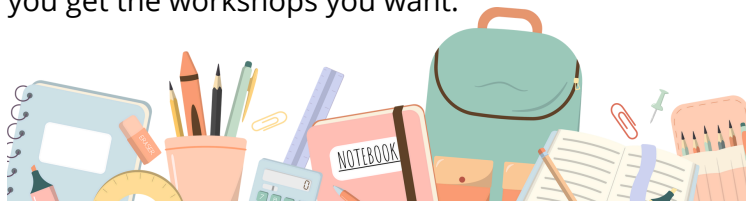
THE SAME INFORMATION WILL BE PRESENTED AT EACH INFO SESSION.

PD Power

The CTA sponsored district-wide PD Day, Empowered Educators: Compassion, Care & Curiosity, will be taking place at Riverside Secondary on February 28th, 2025 (not the 3rd).

The PD Committee has approved an incredible and diverse number of workshops. Many amazing colleagues in the district have stepped up to present and share their ideas, and our theme has attracted the attention of many new presenters and topics. There is sure to be something of interest for everyone, whatever your interest or stage in your career.

We plan on sending our registration link out in the first week of February. We have many workshops that will be running with a very strict cap on the number of participants, so please register early to ensure that you get the workshops you want.



Understanding Your Pensions and Benefits:

An Essential Retirement Workshop from BCRTA

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. All teachers age 50+ should plan to attend one of BCRTA's Pre-Retirement online (Zoom) workshops.

The workshops are free.



Please pre-register at <https://bcrta.ca/register>.

The agenda includes: Teachers' Pension Plan, Canada Pension Plan, Old Age Security, and voluntary group benefits. Information about choosing your group benefits (dental, extended health and travel). We show some of the differences between the plans and help equip you to select the plan that best suits your needs.

February 19, 2025 @ 7.p.m. **April 23, 2025 @ 7 p.m.**

March 5, 2025 @ 7 p.m.

May 14, 2025 @ 7 p.m.

April 3, 2025 @ 4 p.m.

June 5, 2025 @ 7.p.m.

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

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FALL CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 24, 2025 ONLINE & IN-PERSON IN MISSION



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF EDUCATION

24 January, 2025



COMMITTEE FOR ACTION ON SOCIAL JUSTICE **CASJ**



Ken will be at **Caffe Divano** in Port Moody (101 Klahanie Dr, Port Moody BC V3H 0C3) from **4:00 PM-5:00 PM** on Thursday, **January 16, 2025** to chat with any members who are interested in discussing social justice topics and how they relate to the CTA and Coquitlam overall.

We look forward to seeing some of you there! (Please note that the Caffe closes at 5:00 and plan accordingly.)



To join us or ask any questions you might have, contact
Ryan Cho
bipoceducators@cta43.org

Our next BIPOC educators' committee meeting date will be Tuesday January 21, 2025, at Centennial Secondary School.

You don't have to be a committee member to attend. We hope to see you there!

The CTA BIPOC Educators' Committee is for any Coquitlam teacher who identifies as Black, Indigenous, or a Person of Colour.

Find more information about what we do here. BIPOC teachers can join our email list without regularly attending meeting or joining the committee.

BCRTA Golden Star Awards

The Golden Star Awards celebrate programs that Feature the Interaction of Seniors and Students. All the information, application forms, criteria for evaluation and examples of previous winners can be found at <https://bcrt.ca/about-us/golden-star-awards/>



All ages from K-12 have an equal opportunity. If you qualify for and receive a partial year award you are encouraged to continue the program and apply the following year for a full year award.

TTOCs & New Teachers

The TTOC Committee is meeting on **January 21, 2025 at 4:00 PM via Zoom**. All CTA members who are working on call or in temporary contracts are invited to attend and bring forward any topics for discussion.

Already on the agenda are a discussion around the workboard and brainstorming for TTOC Appreciation Week (events and more!).

Feel free to join us next week:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82153794817?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82153794817?pwd=hAiRYzloxBUWFHq9GMwZYotJjnz4pD.1)

[pwd=hAiRYzloxBUWFHq9GMwZYotJjnz4pD.1](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82153794817?pwd=hAiRYzloxBUWFHq9GMwZYotJjnz4pD.1)

Meeting ID: 821 5379 4817 Passcode: 634337

New Well Teacher Groups

The Well Teacher Groups focus on supporting educators in developing tools and skills related to improving vitality and resiliency. This holistic approach to wellness equips teachers to make lifestyle changes that positively affect their physical, mental, and emotional well-being. All groups are confidential and facilitated by trained health consultants.

Groups are comprised of 10 to 15 participants and meet virtually once weekly for six weeks. Participants need to commit to attending all of the sessions, as the group dynamics are compromised when participants attend only parts of the workshops.

The following dates and times are being offered:

Group 1

Tuesdays January 21 to February 25
4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Group 2

Wednesdays January 22 to February 26
4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Group 3

Thursdays January 23 to February 27
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Group 4

Thursdays January 23 to March 6
4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Note: no session on February 27.

Group 5

Mondays January 27 to March 10
4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Note: no session on February 17.

To register, click on the session that you would like to join

Experience the magic of a live performance!

RIVER'S EDGE THEATRE 2025

INTO the WOODS

MUSIC BY STEPHEN SONDHEIM
BOOK BY JAMES LAPINE

Jan. 30, 31 + Feb. 1, 5, 6, 7
7pm Showtime + Saturday Matinee 1pm

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Have you ever gone Into The Woods?

Join our cast and crew on their journey in the woods at River's Edge Theatre! Tickets on sale now OnStage Direct: Riverside Secondary School

"It doesn't matter if you win or lose, it's what you do with your dancin' shoes."

Centennial Secondary School presents Grease, the Musical February 6, 7, 8 (matinee), 13, 14, 15. centmusical.brownpapertickets.com for tickets.

2025
CENTENNIAL MUSICAL THEATRE
PRESENTS



FEB. 6, 7, 13, 14, 15 at 7pm
FEB. 8 at 1pm

DIRECTED BY SIRYN COWIE AND PHOENIX COWIE
CHOREOGRAPHED BY MAKENNA JUNG AND TESSA JUNG

STUDENT/SENIOR/STAFF \$15
ADULT \$19

BOOK, MUSIC AND LYRICS BY JIM JACOBS AND WARREN CASEY
CENTMUSICAL.BROWNPAPERTICKETS.COM



Pinetree Secondary School presents
West Side Story - School Edition
January 29-31 & February 5-7

To purchase tickets, click on the date

[Wednesday, January 29th](#)

[Thursday, January 30th](#)

[Friday, January 31st](#)

[Wednesday, February 5th](#)

[Thursday, February 6th](#)

[Friday, February 7th](#)

COMMITTEE OPPORTUNITIES



**New Westminster
and District
Labour Council**

4 CTA Representatives



School District Advisory Committees

Student Services Advisory - 1 CTA Reps

Student Achievement Advisory - Currently Full

District Student Wellness & Safety - 2 CTA Reps

District Indigenous Ed Advisory - 1 CTA Rep

District French Advisory - 1 CTA Rep

District Technology Advisory - 1 CTA Rep

District Accessibility Advisory - Currently Full

District Anti-Racism Committee – Currently Full

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.



Standing Committees

CTA Negotiations Committee

1 Member at Large

CTA Adult Educators

1 Member who identifies as Indigenous

1 Member who identifies as Black or a Person of Colour

1 Learning Services Rep.

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.

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

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, 3 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 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.

Contact Us:

www.coquitlamteachers.com

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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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



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