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**September
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Dates of Interest:

Sept 11th: H & S Training
4:00 pm

Sept 12th: District Executive
Meeting 4:00 pm

President's Message

ELECTION DAY OCTOBER 22nd

This is a reminder that October 22nd is Election Day for the next city council. It is also the voting day for our school trustees. As always, it is very important that the turnout for voting is high. The platforms of the candidates have been coming out through various media avenues. Please pay particular attention to your options for trustees and what they are campaigning for. This is our opportunity to have an impact on how education workers are treated in the RDSB. Our future working conditions depend on it. From Monday, October 15, 2018 to Monday, October 22,

**Sept 17th: Dedication ARM
Committee Memory Garden
4:00 pm**

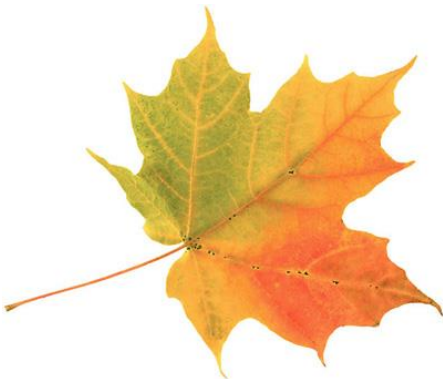
**Sept 19th: TBU Meeting
4:00 pm**

**Sept 24th: Human Rights
Meeting 4:00 pm**

**Sept 27th: Status of Women
Meeting 4:00 pm**

**Oct 2nd: CPAC Meeting
4:00 pm**

**Oct 3^d: District Executive
Meeting 4:00 pm**



**GET
INVOLVED!**



2018, you may cast your electronic ballot anytime, anywhere. Voters who wish to vote at a voting location will be able to cast their ballot at any Electronic Voting Location of their choice on Election Day.

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM

OSSTF would like to reiterate to all members that the 2015 Health and Physical Education curriculum for Grades 9-12 remains in place. OSSTF/FEESO members should continue to teach the curriculum as provided in that document. Should anything in this directive change, James will notify all members immediately.

MEMBER REPRESENTATION

Each school should hold elections for reps to join the District and TBU Executives. Reps are also required for In-School Staffing and each of the following standing committees:

- Collective Bargaining Committee (CBC)
- Communication & Political Action (CPAC)
- Educational Services
- Human Rights
- Health & Safety
- Status of Women

DISTRICT OFFICER'S MESSAGE

Welcome back and best wishes for a great start to the new school year. I am loving these crisp, sunny September days after the heat of the summer.

This promises to be a busy year, with a new provincial government already creating some havoc in education, and our contracts ending in August 2019. The District 3 office calendar is already filling up!

- The Health & Safety Committee is conducting regular training of its members
- The first meeting of the OSSTF Benevolent Council is coming up in District 3 this month
- Standing committees are kicking off their year with first meetings
- Retirement workshops are planned for October for members of all bargaining units
- Planning is underway for the Equity-themed PD day that was cancelled due to weather in April. It has been rescheduled for October 26th. We are pleased that a variety of OSSTF workshops will be available in Espanola (EHS & MSS members) and Sudbury

District 3 Standing Committees

We have some very active standing committees here in District 3.

- The Status of Women Committee hosts two gatherings each year, and adopts a family for Christmas. If you are interested in joining the committee, come out to the office on Thursday, September 27th at 4pm.

It is never too early to start planning...



Did you know that members of the education community can get exclusive savings?

Check out special offers from Roots, GoodLife Fitness, Flight Centre, Via Rail and MORE!
#Edvantage

Not sure of your OSSTF member number?(required for **Edvantage**)

Call me (Donna) at the OSSTF District 3 Office – 705-692-3923. I can get it for you!



- At our meeting in June, the Educational Services Committee voted to set up a new Health & Wellness sub-committee to create content for The LINK. Our first meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 11th at the District 3 office.

Save these dates for OSSTF retirement workshops:

OTPP workshop for teacher members: Tuesday, October 16th at 4pm at the District office

OMERS workshops for all other members: Tuesday, October 23rd at 4:30 pm at the District office

These are the only dates we have for OSSTF retirement workshops this year. If you are in the last five years of your career, we recommend that you attend one of these workshops. You can reserve your spot by calling Donna at 705-692-3923 or emailing her at osstf@d03.osstf.ca.

Ontario Teachers Insurance Plan retirement workshops. These workshops are open to all OSSTF members. OTIP will send out the details soon. Registration through OTIP is required.

Wednesday, November 14th at 5pm on Manitoulin Island

Thursday, November 15th at 5pm in Sudbury. There will be a second session in Sudbury in April.



A message from our partners at Otip.com

Don't get "wheeled" into a staged car accident

Auto Insurance fraud is on the rise in Ontario; as a result, drivers are paying higher insurance premiums.

Avoiding an accident is among the highest priorities for most drivers, but for fraudsters, an accident is the goal. These scams can take place in many ways, including: staged accidents, false claim details and fraudulent accident and claim reports. They are often elaborately planned and can include the fraud collaborators such as the motorist, the tow truck company, health-care providers and the auto body repair shop. These scams result in financial gain to the

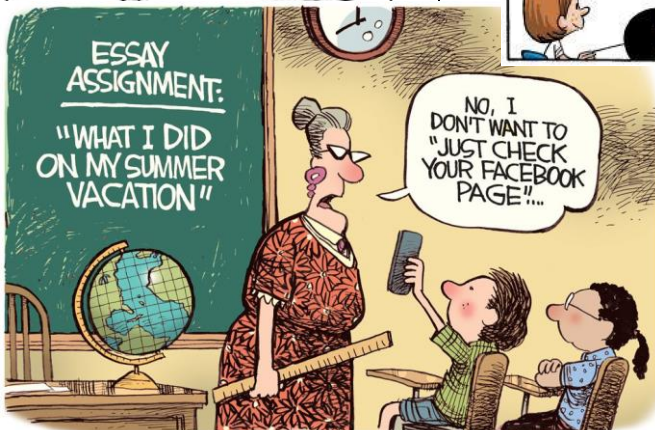


"For the times, they are a-changin'."



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