

# NOTEBOOK

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## COMMITTEE CALL-OUT!

*Members are needed immediately for the following committees –*

- Capital Planning Committee
- Education Weeks Planning Committee
- French Immersion Advisory Committee
- Inclusion Committee
- Indigenous Advisory (Enhancement Agreement)
- Information & Communication Technology Advisory Committee
- Joint Education & Program Implementation Committee
- Occupational Health & Safety Committee
- Safe & Caring Schools Committee
- School Cleanliness Committee
- Sustainability Committee

If you require further information before making your decision to apply, we invite you to phone or email NVTA President, Carolyn Pena, First Vice President, Katrina Russell, or Second Vice Presidents, Charlene Wilson and Alexa Bennett-Fox. Committee Application forms can be found under the Committee tab at [nvta.ca](http://nvta.ca). You can also phone (604.988.3224) or email NVTA Office Manager, Beth Triggs ([beth@nvta.ca](mailto:beth@nvta.ca)) to have a form emailed to you. Please return completed forms to Beth at [beth@nvta.ca](mailto:beth@nvta.ca) or by fax at 604.980.8092.

## NEWS FROM THE NVTA GENERAL MEETING

Thank you to all members who took the time to join the first General Meeting of the year on Wednesday.

At that meeting, members passed the NVTA Goals and Priorities for 2020/21 as they had been circulated. These goals were significantly updated by the Executive Committee this year and we encourage all staff committees to review the goals together to guide their work this year. The NVTA Budget for 2020/21 was also adopted with the same fee as last year.

Congratulations to D. Arbez and R. Hunt, who were acclaimed as Vancouver & District Labour Council Reps – one position remains available and will be elected at the October Representative Assembly. M. Stuitable and A. Bennett-Fox were acclaimed as members who will attend the BC Federation of Labour Conference. Congratulations to S. McCurdy who won the \$100 door prize.

## **World Teachers' Day – Monday, October 5, 2020**

*This year, join teachers online from around the world to celebrate World Teachers' Day! The live stream will start on October 5 at 9 a.m. Kuala Lumpur time and run for 24 hours – once around the world. To see the programme, review the full list of speakers, and to register, please go to <https://5oct.org>*

# World Teachers' Day 2020

Teachers: Leading in crisis, reimagining the future  
**October 5, 2020**



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# NVTA MEETING AND EVENTS CALENDAR 2020 – 2021

## OCTOBER

- 5 World Teachers' Day
- 12 Thanksgiving
- 21 NVTA Representative Assembly
- 23 Professional Development Day

## NOVEMBER

- 11 Remembrance Day
- 18 NVTA Representative Assembly

## DECEMBER

- 16 NVTA Representative Assembly
- Christmas Break – Dec 19, 2020 – Jan 3, 2021**

## JANUARY

- 4 Schools reopen
- 20 NVTA Representative Assembly
- 27 NVTA General Meeting - elect delegates to the BCTF Annual General Meeting

## FEBRUARY

- 15 Family Day Stat Holiday
- 17 NVTA Representative Assembly
- 26 District-wide Professional Development Day

## MARCH

- 10 NVTA Representative Assembly meeting with BCTF AGM Delegates
- Spring Break – March 13, 2021 – March 28, 2021**
- 20-23 105<sup>th</sup> BCTF AGM
- 29 Schools reopen

## APRIL

- 2-5 Easter Long Weekend
- 21 NVTA Representative Assembly – followed by NVTA Exec All Candidates Meeting

## MAY

- 10 District-wide Professional Development Day
- 12 NVTA Annual General Meeting – elect NVTA Executive & Chairs 2021-2022
- 19 NVTA Representative Assembly
- 24 Victoria Day

## JUNE

- 14 Retirement Tea (TBC)
- 16 NVTA Representative Assembly
- 29 Last day of school
- 30 Administration Day

## SIP FACTOR 88 WITHDRAWALS

Members who have reached age 64, has 34 years of contributory service, has reached the later of Factor 88 (age plus contributory service) or age 60, or if you are in receipt of a retirement pension through the Pension Corporation (BC), should now send in their Withdrawal Forms to withdraw from the long-term part of the Salary Indemnity Plan.

The two percent Salary Indemnity Plan rebate is received by all contributing and temporary contract teachers enrolled in any part of the SIP. Factor 88 members are still enrolled in the short-term section of the plan, so will qualify for the full two percent allowance. By withdrawing from the long-term portion, they can save the long-term premium deduction without losing any of the allowance.

The withdrawal form can be found on the BCTF website ([www.bctf.ca](http://www.bctf.ca)) under "Salary & Benefits": follow the "Salary Indemnity Plan" links to "Withdrawal Form."