

NOTEBOOK



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A HOLIDAY MESSAGE FROM THE NVTA PRESIDENT

Dear Members,

On behalf of the entire NVTA Executive, warmest wishes to you all for a restful, relaxing, joyful and safe winter break. I would also like to say a big thank you to each and every one of you for what you have done to support your students and build your school communities this year. Teachers have worked tirelessly this year and throughout the pandemic, and I hope that your essential work has felt sincerely valued.

In the new year, local bargaining will begin in earnest, so you will receive more updates as the bargaining process unfolds. So far, the NVTA and NVSD have agreed on a bargaining protocol and shared their goals. NVTA Table Officers will also be visiting all schools in the coming year to engage with members and keep you informed of the bargaining process. We hope that you will all be able to attend those meetings as we love to connect with members and hear some feedback about how we can best support teachers in the district.

In the meantime, I hope you can make the most of the next two weeks, even if that means doing little at all. The winter holiday can be a busy one, so I encourage you all to take the time you need for yourselves.

Wishing each of you a restorative winter break.

Katrina Russell



The NVTA Table Officers are ready for a break!

MERRY *Christmas*

The NVTA office will be closed for Christmas break at 3 pm on Friday, December 17, 2021 and will re-open on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 8 am. All of us at the NVTA hope you have a safe, healthy and relaxing holiday.

First Call for Candidates!

NVTA DELEGATES TO THE 2022 BCTF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, March 19 – Tuesday, March 22, 2022

Delegates to the BCTF AGM set the fee for the following year, determine the BCTF priorities, and set policies and procedures for our provincial organization. Please consider putting your name forward as a candidate and participate in the democratic process of the Federation.

The NVTA Delegates to the BCTF Annual General Meeting will be elected at the February 2, 2022 General Meeting.

If you would like to learn more, please call the NVTA office (604.988.3224) and speak to a Table Officer, or send an email to beth@nvta.ca.

Candidates can be nominated from the floor at the General Meeting, however, if you wish to have a statement published and circulated to voting members prior to the General Meeting, please complete a nomination/candidate's statement form. For a nomination form, please email beth@nvta.ca.

NVTA Meetings & Events Calendar 2022

JANUARY

4 Schools reopen
19 NVTA Representative Assembly

FEBRUARY

2 **NVTA General Meeting (elect delegates to the BCTF Annual General Meeting)**
4 Professional Development Day
16 NVTA Representative Assembly
21 Family Day Stat Holiday

MARCH

9 NVTA Representative Assembly (meeting with the BCTF AGM Delegates)

March 12, 2022 – March 27, 2022 – SPRING BREAK

19-22 BCTF Annual General Meeting
28 Schools reopen

APRIL

15-18 Easter Long Weekend
20 NVTA Representative Assembly (followed by NVTA Executive All-Candidates Meeting)

MAY

9 District-wide Professional Development Day
11 NVTA Annual General Meeting & Social (elect NVTA Executive & Chairs for 2022-2023)
18 NVTA Representative Assembly
23 Victoria Day

JUNE

13 Retirement Tea (Seymour Golf & Country Club – to be confirmed)
15 NVTA Representative Assembly
29 Last day of school
30 Administration Day

NVTA Office hours are Monday to Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

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