

NOTEBOOK

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Ready, Set, Register!

Pro D Conference 2023

LIVE AND IN PERSON!

Friday, February 17, 2023

The NVTA Pro D Conference 2023 is next month!

The Pro D Conference workshop booklet, with a wide array of workshop choices, is now posted on the home page at nvta.ca. The booklet was emailed to your school's CSR, and was emailed via MailChimp to those who have signed up to receive regular communications from the NVTA office (if you've not done so already, now would be a great time to sign up!).

**Registration is open
on Booking Central. Some
workshops will fill up quickly.**

**Register early to avoid
disappointment!**

Our Keynote Speaker is Salima Samnani, a lecturer who is passionate about implementing clinical legal education pedagogies that focus on trauma-informed, skills-based legal training from a feminist, anti-racist and decolonization perspective.

Make sure you register for the Keynote address so we have an accurate idea of how many members will attend.

Third and Final Call for Candidates! NVTA Delegates to the BCTF AGM

The NVTA's delegation to the BCTF AGM in Vancouver (March 18 - 21) will be elected at the January 25, 2023 General Meeting. North Vancouver can elect 15 delegates who, along with our three Local Representatives, comprise our delegation. The BCTF AGM will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Vancouver. If you would like to do some decision-making on behalf of your colleagues, then please consider standing for election at January's General Meeting. If you are interested, and would like more information or an application form, please contact the NVTA office at 604.988.3224 or email beth@nvta.ca

Candidates can also 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 meeting, please complete a nomination/candidate statement form by Monday, January 16, 2023.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT POLICY CHANGES

The Professional Development contacts met in October to discuss the possibility of increasing the Pro D reimbursement allotment per member.

The following motions arose from the meeting and will be presented at the upcoming NVTA General Meeting for member consideration to take effect in the 2023/24 school year:

- *That the amount for individual reimbursement be increased to \$350 per member.*
- *That the amount for schools undertaking a staff retreat or event be capped at \$150 per member.*
- *That the Special Grants fund be set for applications for special PD activities over \$400, and the maximum for any individual staff member shall be \$600.*

NVTA CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023

JANUARY

- 3 Schools reopen
 18 NVTA Representative Assembly
 25 NVTA General Meeting - elect delegates to the BCTF AGM
 27-28 BCTF Representative Assembly

FEBRUARY

- 15 NVTA Representative Assembly
17 Pro D Day - NVTA PRO D CONFERENCE 2023
20 Family Day Stat Holiday

MARCH

- 8 NVTA Rep. Assembly with BCTF AGM Delegates

Mar. 11, 2023 – Mar. 26, 2023 – SPRING BREAK

- 18-21 107th BCTF AGM
 27 Schools reopen

APRIL

- 7-10 Easter Long Weekend**
 19 NVTA Representative Assembly – followed by NVTA Executive 2023-2024 All-Candidates Meeting

MAY

- 8 District-wide Professional Development Day
 10 NVTA Annual General Meeting & Social – elect NVTA Executive & Chairs for 2023-2024
 17 NVTA Representative Assembly
22 Victoria Day
 26-27 BCTF Representative Assembly

JUNE

- 12 Retirement Tea (Seymour Golf & Country Club)
 21 NVTA Representative Assembly
 29 Last day of school
 30 Administration Day

The following collective agreement article is a new provincial article that came into effect as July 1, 2022.

ARTICLE B.X EXPERIENCE RECOGNITION

1. *Effective July 1, 2022 employees who have worked as a teacher (or in a BCTF bargaining unit equivalent position) in British Columbia while employed by:*
 - a. *a First Nation, as defined in section 1 of the School Act, that is operating a school;*
 - b. *a Community Education Authority, as established by one or more participating First Nations under the First Nations Jurisdiction over Education in British Columbia Act(Canada), that is operating a school; or*
 - c. *a treaty First Nation that is operating a school under the treaty First Nation's laws; shall receive credit for their work experience for the purposes of placement on the salary scale.*

Existing employees shall have until June 30, 2023 to provide new **Article B.X** experience credit documentation.

The accrual is subject to the same limits as the local language, except that existing employees who provide experience credit documentation by June 30, 2023 may exceed any local annual increment restrictions.

If you believe this article applies to you, please call the NVTA office for further information.

ALERT!

NVTA GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, January 25, 2023 at 4:00 pm

ON ZOOM

NVTA Delegates to the BCTF AGM will be elected at this meeting.

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

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