

KTTA News - October 7, 2016

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Positions are Posted on SD 73 Website. Check at - <http://www3.sd73.bc.ca/careers>

Collective Agreement (2013-19):

http://www.kttta.ca/images/KTTA_SD73_2013_2019.pdf

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A. New Postings / Successful Applicants

The district has released the list of successful applicants for Bulletin No. 12-15 postings over the last couple of days.

As these were term positions, teachers who were part time wanting to add time (and the positions did not conflict with schedules), teachers on Recall, TTOCs, and out of district were eligible to apply.

Term Certain:

- 1) Recall (or part time wishing to add FTE)
- 2) Other (TTOC, Out of District)

For each of the types of position (continuing / term certain), the district should follow this process:

- 1) Priority Band – Recall (or PT wanting to add), Other (TTOC or Out of District)
- 2) Necessary Qualifications - teachers considered need the necessary qualifications for the position they are applying for
- 3) Seniority - of the list of teachers within each priority band who are qualified, the most senior is the successful applicant.

Note that if there are no qualified applicants for a position, the district can fill the position with the most senior or most qualified candidate, fill it internally, or they can re-post a position.

Challenge: If you applied for a position and the successful applicant had a lower priority status or less seniority, you can appeal that decision by Emailing Rick Kienlein (District Principal - HR) at rkienlein@sd73.bc.ca and copying us at office@kttta.ca.

Please contact the KTTA office (250-554-1223 or office@ktt.ca) if you have any questions.

B. KTTA Website (Updated)

The KTTA Website (<http://www.ktt.ca>) has been updated and includes dates for important events, professional development activities for the October 21st PD day, and the new collective agreement. We thank Laurel Macpherson for her work in updating the site. There is more that will be updates more regularly over the course of the year and hopefully some new links.

C. Sick Leave and Medical Appointments

There have been a few questions about how medical appointments need to be booked and what type of leave can be accessed.

The long-standing practice is the district acknowledges that teachers are entitled to use paid sick leave to attend to medical / dental appointments. The district will encourage members to book half a day, but that may not be sufficient depending on the time of the appointment or the work location. If you have questions about this, please contact us at the office (250-554-1223 or by email).

D. Provincial Specialists' Association Day (PD Day - October 21st)

Please visit: <https://bctf.ca/psas.aspx>

The October Professional Development day was created to provide opportunities for teachers province wide to learn together in their particular field of teaching. As such, there are events occurring locally and beyond that members may wish to participate in.

Alternatively, schools are entitled to determine their own PD events for the October Day and we would request that, if these events are open to members in other schools, to please provide us with the information and we will send it out to the membership.

There are a couple of PSA events in the area and PD events in neighbouring districts that members may wish to participate in. If you would like more information, please contact the KTTA office at 250-554-1223 or office@ktt.ca. Specific contact information for each event is provided in the email and in the attachments.

Regional Events in Bold

The BCTF Provincial Specialist Associations provide workshops on the October 21st in a variety of fields and members may be interested in taking advantage of some of those events. Attached to this email is information from the Provincial Specialist Associations and workshops they are hosting on and around October 21st.

Computer Using Educators of BC (CUEBC), Technology and New Curriculum - Port Coquitlam (Riverside Secondary School). Please visit <http://cuebc.ca> to register and/or for more information. The contact for this event is Mike Silverton (msilverton@cuebc.ca).

Aboriginal Education Association PSA (AEAPSA), Reconciliation through Education - Fort Langley Elementary. Please contact Bertha Lansdowne (blansdow@sd40.bc.ca for more information).

BC Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (BCTESOL, formerly ESLPSA), ELL Across the Curriculum - Burnaby (Brentwood Park Elementary). Please visit www.bctesol.ca for more information. The contact for this event is Sandy Krishna (skrishna@sd41.bc.ca).

Peace and Global Education (PAGE), A Dialogue on Social Justice and Curriculum - Surrey (Fraser Heights Secondary School). Please visit www.pagebc.ca for more information.

BC Early Career Teachers' Association (BCECTA), Technology and the New Curriculum - Port Coquitlam (Riverside Secondary School). Please contact psac77@bctf.ca or www.facebook.com/BCECTA for more information.

Physical Education- BC (PE-BC), 30th Annual QDPE PD Conference - Douglas College, New Westminster. Contact www.douglascollege.ca/ce/sport to register and visit www.bctf.ca/pebc for more information. Contacts for this event are David Munro (munrod@douglascollege.ca) or Lisa Manzini (lmanzini@sd48.bc.ca).

BC Science Teachers' Association (BCSsTA), Catalyst 2016 Annual Conference Quality Science Teaching - Richmond (Henry James Cambie Secondary School). Please visit www.bcscta.ca for more information.

BC Association of Drama Educators (ABCDE) Conference - Kelowna at Okanagan Mission Secondary. Please visit www.bcdramateachers.com or contact Gordon Hamilton (ghamilton@sd35.bc.ca) for more information.

BC Dance Educators' Association (BCDEA), Spirit of Movement 2016 - Burnaby (Burnaby Mountain Secondary). Please visit www.bcdea.ca or contact psac73@bctf.ca for more information.

BC Music Educators' Association (BCMEA), Annual Conference and Annual General Meeting - Richmond (River Rock Resort). Please visit www.bcmeaconference.com or contact Matthew Martin (mmartinbcmea@gmail.com) for more information.

BC Culinary Arts Specialists Association (BCCASA), Old Traditions and New Tastes in Culinary Education - Kamloops (NorKam Secondary). Please visit www.Bccasa.ca for more information.

BC Learning Assistance Teachers' Association (LATA), The Power of Memory - Vancouver. Please contact Linda Harris (lgh354@hotmail.com) for more information.

BC Teacher-Librarians' Association (BCTLA), Heroic Efforts - Burnaby (Byrne Creek Secondary School). Please visit <http://bctlaconference.ca> to register and Heather Daly daly_heather@hotmail.com for more information.

BC Primary Teachers' Association (BCPTA), Inspiring Stories - Nanaimo (Vancouver Island Conference Centre). Please visit www.bcpta.ca.

Association of Educators of Gifted Talented and Creative Children in BC (AEGTCCBC), Delighting Gifted Students with Complexity - Vancouver (Holiday Inn Vancouver Centre - Broadway). Please contact Elizabeth Ensing (ebbensing@gmail.com) for more information.

BC Social Studies Teachers' Association (BCSSTA), Media and Truth in the 21st Century - Vancouver (Vancouver Technical Secondary). Please visit <http://www.bcssta.wordpress.com> for more information and www.bcsstaconference.ca or bcssta@gmail.com to register.

BC Technology Education Association (BCTEA) Conference - Kelowna (Mount Boucherie Secondary School). Please visit www.bctea.org for more information.

BC Association provinciale de professeurs d'immersion et du programme francophone (APPIPC), La réussite en français, pour toutes et pour tous! - Richmond (Sheraton Vancouver Airport). Please visit www.congresappipc.ca for more information. The contact for this event is Sophie Bergeron (sbergeron@sd43.bc.ca).

BC Business Education Association (BCBEA), BizTech 2016 - Richmond (Kwanlen Polytechnic University). Please contact www.bcbea.ca for more information.

BC School Counsellors' Association (BCSCA), Change our Story - Richmond (Pacific Gateway Hotel - Vancouver Airport). Please register at www.bcscaconference.ca or email info@bcscaconference.ca for more information.

BC Environmental Educators' PSA (EEPSA), Confluence Experiential Learning Symposium - Vancouver. Please visit www.iterated.ca/confluence-2016 for more information. Please contact W. Bradley Gooderham for more information wbgooderham@iterated.ca.

BC Association of Mathematics Teachers (BCAMT), Math is Social - Vancouver (Gladstone Secondary School). Please visit www.bcamt.ca/fall2016 for more information. Contact for this event is colin.mclellan@gmail.com.

BC Association of Teachers of Modern Languages (BCATML), Celebrating Languages - Burnaby (Burnaby South Secondary School). Please visit <http://www.bcatml.org> to register and contact Rome Lavrencic (rlavrenc@sd40.bc.ca) or Stacey Sveistrup (spicedropss@gmail.com for more information).

BC Teachers of Home Economics Specialist Association (THESA), Home Economics: The PULSE of Everyday Living - Richmond (Richmond High School). Please visit www.thesaconference.ca or contact Catherine Hay (chay@sd38.bc.ca) for more information.

BC Art Teachers' Association (BCATA), Intersections 2016 - Victoria (University of Victoria). Please visit www.intersections2016.ca or contact Regan Rasmussen (rrasmussen@shaw.ca for more information.

BC Teachers of English Language Arts (BCTELA), Empowering Learners: Renewing our Practice - Victoria (Royal Bay Secondary). Please visit www.bctela.ca or contact Laura Lancaster (llancaster@sd62.bc.ca for more information.

E. PITA - Fall Conference (*October 21-22, 2016*)

There is specific information provided by the BC Provincial Intermediate Teachers' Association PSA event which will be held in Delta, BC this year at North Delta Secondary. This event will be a two day event from Friday, October 21st to Saturday, October 22nd. Please visit www.mypita.ca for more information and please see the attachments to this email.

The attachments provide information on the structure of this event as well as descriptions of the workshops.

F. Central Okanagan Teachers Association Conference (*Kelowna - October 21st*)

The Central Okanagan Teachers' Association has local PD events for teachers. If you are interested in attending their PD day, please visit <https://www.mycota.ca/conferences/october-pro-d.html> for more information.

The Keynote for their conference is Dr. Phil McRae is an Executive Staff Officer with the Alberta Teachers' Association and an adjunct professor at the University of Alberta. He is renowned for his expertise in education transformation and personalized learning.