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Report from Henning Drive



SNOW DAY CLOSURE PROCEDURES

For teachers in continuing and temporary contracts

Pay

The Burnaby School District saw its first snow day in some twenty past years. As per our collective agreement (article D.21.6), teachers on continuing or temporary contracts were not required to report to work when the Board, prior to school opening, orders the cancellation of student attendance or closure of schools because of inclement weather and **there is no loss of pay for that day.**

Sick Days

Please note that it is the employer's position that any days booked as a sick day on the school closure day will be deducted from employee's sick bank.

For TOC's

There is a lack of language regarding TOC's on snow days in our Collective Agreement but District guidelines state that TOC's will not be paid if school is cancelled prior to TOC's leaving for the work day.

The District, however, has agreed on the following around TOC's on snow day:

- TOC's who were in assignments on Monday and were expected to return to the same site for the same position on Tuesday February 12th **will receive pay**. This will also count as a day worked towards achieving 15 out of 30 or 10 straight days to qualify for pay for the District Pro D
- For TOC's not in the above situation, unfortunately, you will not receive pay. The District will not count the school closure day as a break in service for achieving the requirements to qualify for pay for the District Pro D.

Other matters related to the snow day/school closure day are currently being explored and discussed. Please stay tuned for any further information through your school staff representatives.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **District Pro-D Day**
February 22nd, 2019 (see page 4 & 5)
- **RA**
4pm-6pm
March 5th, 2019
Burnaby Central



COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR

The BTA is once again putting together a team to walk for the Coldest Night of the Year event hosted by Burnaby Community Services and The Society to End Homelessness in B.C. Come walk 5km with Burnaby teachers and community groups to raise awareness and funds to combat homelessness in Burnaby. The event takes place February 23 at 4pm starting at Marlborough Elementary School. We have set a team goal to raise \$1500. Check out the link below if you want to walk with us this year or if you are able to donate money to our team.

<https://secure.e2rm.com/registant/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=837980&langPref=en-CA>

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERS—BCTF ISSUE SESSION ON RACISM

The BCTF is looking for up to 15 members to participate in a two-day Issue Session on Racism on February 21–22. The group will meet to discuss:

- the impacts of racism in the workplace, in all areas of the province.
- possible new strategies to present to the employer and/or government to address concerns about racism in the workplace.
- ways of informing members about making use of current avenues to address concerns about racism in the workplace.
- advice for the Executive Committee and provincial Bargaining Team for the upcoming round of bargaining.

The session will be led by Natasha Tony, an experienced facilitator and leader in issues of equity and inclusion. Learn more about the session by reading the posting on the Federation’s Opportunities for Members page. To apply, please complete the online CV form by 5:00 p.m. on February 6. Please contact Todd Patrick at tpatrick@bctf.ca if you have any questions.

CROSS BORDER SOCIAL JUSTICE CONFERENCE 2019

Teaching for Joy and Justice

March 2nd, 2019 12pm–8pm North Surrey Secondary School (15945 96 Avenue)

Teachers from British Columbia, Oregon, and Washington will come together to connect across borders in this second cross border social justice conference. **Come! Bring your colleagues!**

For more information regarding the event click [here](#). Click the image below to register.

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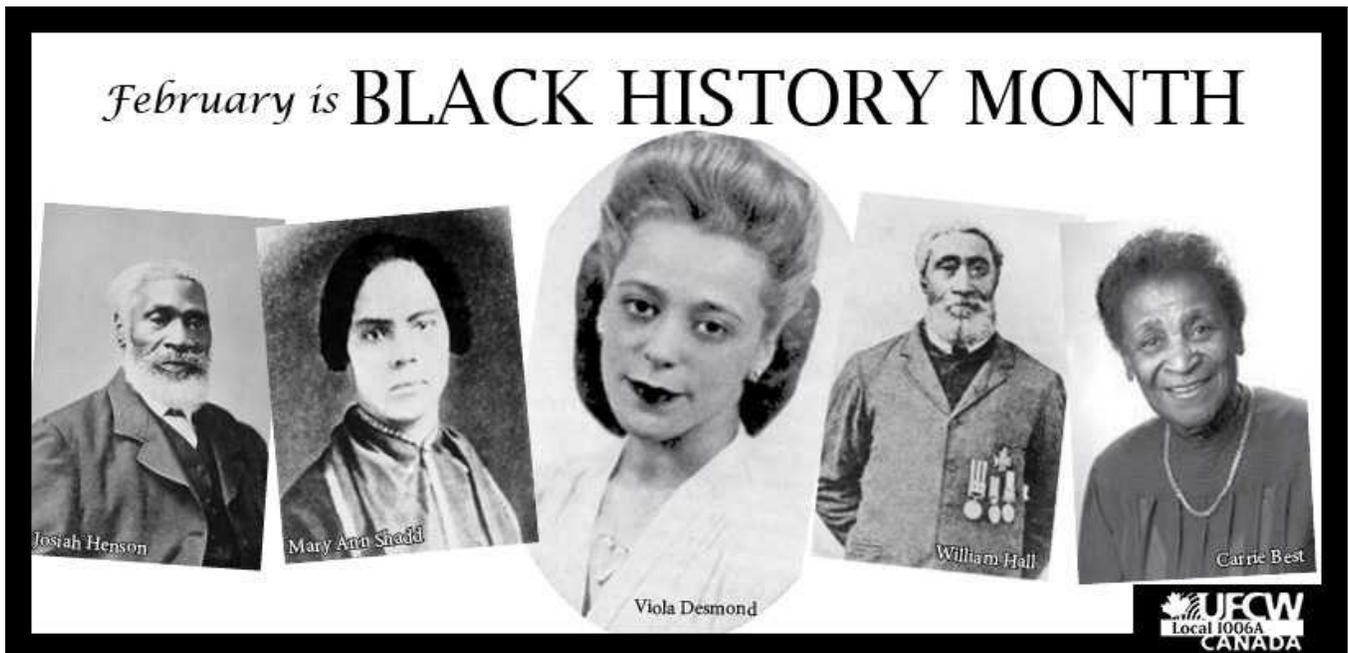
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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

February is Black History Month in Canada and the United States. While African Canadian perspectives and experiences should be incorporated all year around in schools, February is a month to highlight and honour the legacy of Black Canadians. Check out these classroom resources.

1. [BCTF Black History Month resources](#)
2. A guide for [online resources for teaching about Black history in Canada](#).
3. [BC Black History Awareness Society](#): “The British Columbia Black History Awareness Society (BCBHAS) celebrates the achievements of Black people in British Columbia by creating an awareness of the history of Blacks in B.C., stimulating interest in the contributions of persons of African ancestry to B.C. and Canada today, and celebrating historical and current achievements in the arts, education, government, sports, science etc.”
4. [Teaching Tolerance](#) article with links to some great examples/additional resources.



PRO GROWTH

As we turn the corner on the mid-way point of the year, we encourage you to create ways to share Professional Growth topics and questions within your school. Some possible ways to achieve this include:

- Invite teachers to bring and share a professional resource or artifact that reflects their Pro-Growth at your next staff or department meeting.
- Organize teachers by Pro-Growth topic at your next staff or department meeting to facilitate dialogue. Encourage colleagues to reflect on where they are at with their 2018-2019 Pro-Growth plans and where they would like to go for the remainder of the year.
- Find a way to visibly share Pro-Growth topics (i.e. bulletin boards in the staff room or office, or sharing a list via email)
- Encourage colleagues to attend a workshop at the February District Pro-D that connects with their Pro-Growth plans.

These are great ways to make Pro-Growth more visible in your building and encourage peer collaboration if people are working towards similar goals. It can also help remind colleagues to use their Pro-Growth days if they have not yet already.

Please let us know if you have any questions or would like to discuss this further.

Thank you, Joint Pro-Growth Committee



DISTRICT PRO-D DAY

Please note registration is now open. Sign up quick before your workshop fills up.

The Joint Professional Development and The BTA Professional Development Committees are excited to be in the process of planning the District Professional Development Day on Friday, February 22nd 2019. We are looking forward to hearing from our keynote speaker, Shelley Moore (please see flyer for more information), and to offer over 135 workshops from our colleagues.

Below is some important information regarding the day:

Registration: Registration is now open. Please register for one morning session and one afternoon session. Registration helps presenters know how many people to expect and plan accordingly. It also helps the committee allocate rooms that can accommodate larger crowds.

Workshop Rooms: Workshop rooms will be posted online on February 19, 2019. Please check back to see where your session will be located.

Schedule of the Day: The “Shape of the Day” has been attached for your convenience (page 5).

Lunch options: This year, there will be two options. Three student-led groups will be selling food (options to be announced) for \$6 (cash only). Tickets will be on sale in the North Foyer outside of the gym. The second option will be several **food trucks** which will be located by the “Grass Horseshoe” outside of the North gym. *This has also been labelled on an attached map.*

Parking: Parking is limited. If possible, please make arrangements for carpooling or public transit. Street parking exists on some neighborhood streets as well as the south parking lot, Kensington Park Arena, Aubrey School, Capitol Hill Elementary and Westridge Elementary School

Publishers In Attendance: This year we will host representatives from Pearson, Orca Books, Scholastic, Nelson, Hancock Publishing, Inquiry Adventures and Discovery Toys to share their feature materials. Tables will be set up along the 200 (main) level hallway in the north building for everyone to access.

Share: Please share your learning with the world by using #sd41ProD

Food Donations Wanted: Please bring a non-perishable food item to the north foyer, by the big gym. Monetary donations will also be accepted at the door that will be used to buy fresh fruit and vegetables to support families in the Burnaby North area. Donations will be collected by Burnaby North Leadership students.

Accessibility: If you have questions regarding accessibility to parking or workshops, please contact Mati.bernabei@burnabyschools.ca.

More information will be coming out closer to the day. For now, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact jointprod@burnabyschools.ca.

We look forward to seeing you there.

On behalf of the Joint Professional Development Committee,

Christina Fernandes

Joint Professional Development Chairperson



DISTRICT PRO-D DAY

Differentiated Instruction Cross-Curricular Instruction Indigenous Education

Social-Emotional Learning Creative & Critical Thinking Inquiry-Based Learning ADST Literacy

Professional Development Day

Date: February, 22 2019

Time: 8:30am – 2:30pm

Location: Burnaby North Secondary



Originally from Edmonton, and now based in Vancouver, British Columbia, Shelley Moore is a highly sought after teacher, researcher, speaker and storyteller and has worked with school districts and community organizations throughout both Canada and the United States. Shelley's presentations are constructed based on contexts of schools and communities and integrate theory and effective practices of inclusion, special education, curriculum and teacher professional development.

Her first book entitled, "One Without the Other" was released in July 2016 to follow up her TEDx talk hosted in Langley in January 2016. Shelley completed an undergraduate degree in Special Education at the University of Alberta, her masters at Simon Fraser University, and is currently a SSHRC funded PhD candidate at the University of British Columbia.

* If you have any questions or concerns regarding accessibility to parking or workshop locations, please contact Mati.Bernabei@burnabyschools.ca.



District Pro-D Day: TOC Workshop

FRIDAY, February 22, 2019

Burnaby North Secondary Room TBA

The BTA/BBE host a yearly district-wide professional development day. This year's workshop for TOC's is "Classroom Management for TTOC's". All Burnaby TOC's are welcome to register. You may be eligible for a paid day if you have: taught 15 out of the 30 school days prior to District Pro-D Day or taught the 10 consecutive teaching days prior to District Pro-D Day.

The tentative schedule is as follows: (subject to slight modification)

- 8:30-10am Morning Keynote
- 10-10:30am Break (snacks and beverages provided)
- 10:30 Workshop: Classroom Management for TTOC's

TTOC's must establish a rapport with students quickly and use management strategies that work immediately. The workshop will explore the basics of classroom management and how TTOC's can adapt them for their work. Practical strategies for creating a positive environment and taking constructive action with individual students will be explored.

- 12pm Lunch (Provided for TOC's)
- 1-2:30pm Workshop continued

TOC's can register for this Pro-D day at <https://learn.burnabyschools.ca/district-pro-d/index.php>. If you have any dietary restrictions or allergies, please indicate your needs by emailing the BTA office at bta3@bctf.ca or by calling the office at (604)294-8141.

Registration opens Monday, February 4 at the Learning Portal



**BOARD OF EDUCATION
BURNABY
SCHOOL DISTRICT 41**

Burnaby Principals' and Vice-Principals' Association

**February 22 2019 - District Professional Development
Shape of the Day**

BURNABY NORTH SECONDARY

8:30 - 10:00 **Opening** (Burnaby North Gym)

VPA Performances
"Vikings" Marching Band from Burnaby North

Welcome
Acknowledgement of Traditional Territories and Welcome by Marissa Nahanee
Greetings from the BTA
Greetings from the BBE

Keynote Speakers - Pathways to Success:
Shelley Moore

10:00 - 10:30 **BREAK** snacks & beverages provided

10:30 - 12:00 **First Sessions**

12:00 - 1:00 **LUNCH:** Option 1: Student Services, \$6 Cash Only! Options to be announced.
Option 2: Choice of food trucks (in the grass horseshoe). Options to be announced.

1:00 - 2:30 **Second Sessions**

NOTES:

- **SESSION REGISTRATION:**
Online registration is available Feb 4th at <https://learn.sd41.bc.ca/district-pro-d/>.
- **SESSION LOCATION:**
Sessions are at Burnaby North Secondary. Please check on Feb 19th for your room number online. Be sure to verify your room number upon arrival in case anything has changed.
- **PARKING:**
Parking is limited. If possible, please make arrangements for carpooling or public transit. Street parking exists on some neighborhood streets as well as the south parking lot, Kensington Park Arena, Aubrey School, Capitol Hill Elementary and Westridge Elementary School.
- **Food Donations Wanted:**
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*** Be sure to complete the online feedback survey of the day located in your email for 10 chances to win a Starbucks gift card! ***

Please bring your own coffee cup and water bottle!

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