



Halifax City Local NSTU Weekly Newsletter ISSUE 6 • October 5, 2026

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Teaching and supporting public education in all its forms is demanding work. On **World Teachers' Day**, I want to celebrate you for choosing to strengthen our communities through your dedication. You make the difference. You are the equalizers in society, often without the praise or support you deserve in an increasingly challenging reality.

As you continue to show up for students and colleagues, I hope you also take time to care for yourselves, your well-being matters just as much as the work you do. Check out the Wellnify app!

I have several school visits planned this week, and I encourage you to reach out if you'd like me to stop by. I'm happy to come with a listening ear (and a few treats). And while you're thinking of the incredible people around you, consider nominating a colleague for a **City Shout-Out** so we can continue celebrating the great work happening across our Local.

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Upcoming dates

October 5th-World Teacher Day

October 6-Halifax City Local yoga begins! 4:15 p.m.

October 7-NSTU [Conference Grant application due](#)

October 9th-[Deadline for Halifax City Local NSTU Reps to register for Rep Training](#)

October 21st- Halifax City Local General meeting (Presentation on Occupational Health and Safety) 4:30 p.m.

October 23- 2026 Annual NSTU Professional Associations Conferences [2026 Conference Registration Links](#)

October 28-Article 60 Conference Grant/Inservice Promotion Grant Due

October 30 at 4 p.m.: [Hfx City Local Fall Member Project Grant Due](#)

October 31-Article 60 Course Grant Applications Due



Amanda Stockley:
French, French Drama
and IB Teacher
at Citadel High and
Halifax City Local
Treasurer

**NOMINATE a Colleague
for a City Shout-Out**

BOOK A SCHOOL VISIT

LOCAL WEBSITE

City Shout-out: Amanda Stockley

This week, we are proud to recognize Amanda Stockley, a dedicated French, French Drama, and IB teacher at Citadel High, and a deeply valued member of our Local Executive. Amanda brings exceptional commitment to every role she takes on. As Halifax City Local Treasurer, she has streamlined our financial processes, strengthened communication, and is already looking ahead to mentor members who may wish to pursue the role in the future.

In her school community, Amanda is known for the way she makes students feel supported, seen, and encouraged. Her work in the classroom reflects both her creativity and her care. Her colleagues note her organization, humour, and steady support. She also goes above and beyond to ensure her colleagues stay informed, creating a WhatsApp group that NSTU reps can now use to share timely and vital updates. Alongside her teaching and union leadership, Amanda is also part of ASAP (Aspiring School Administrator Program), further demonstrating her commitment to growth and leadership within public education. Amanda works exceptionally hard, stays remarkably organized, and brings positivity to every space she enters. We are grateful for her contributions to Citadel High and to Halifax City Local. We appreciate all you do. Congratulations Amanda!

Did you Know?

The [Code of Conduct policy](#) implemented in 2025 includes a [guide for Responding to Unacceptable Behaviours](#) and a [debrief guide for administrators](#)

The Provincial School Code of Conduct Policy supports safe learning spaces. It defines acceptable and unacceptable student behaviours and guides schools in responding to unacceptable behaviours in a consistent and fair way.

Code of Conduct Update

The Code of Conduct has been updated as part of Nova Scotia's safe schools strategy. Updates provide clear guidance and roles for all school staff:

- new incident categories and definitions of unacceptable behaviours
- reporting processes that empower all staff to report unacceptable behaviours
- tools to guide a consistent response to unacceptable behaviours
- stronger supports for students and staff when specialized interventions are needed

Staff can now review the updated Code of Conduct. The updated Code of Conduct takes effect at the start of the 2025-26 school year.

Know Your Agreements

Teacher Provincial Agreement [TPA](#)

Contact Executive Staff Officer Paul Boudreau on issues related to the provincial contract pboudreau@staff.nstu.ca

Contact your local president for regional matters halifaxcitylocal@nstu.ca

[Halifax Regional Agreement](#)

Do you know who your JOHS Committee chairs are? Where the meeting minutes are posted? That violence can be reported to JOHSC?

Learn more about [Occupational Health and Safety](#) from the NSTU

Wellnify App: an app that helps build healthier daily habits through movement, mindfulness, and education. Join below!



Local Committee Meetings

(We are still looking for members, fill in this form to join)

PD Meeting Monday October 5th

Social and Wellness Meeting Monday October 5th

Resolutions and Economic Welfare Meeting Wednesday October 7th

**JOIN
HERE**

Communications (PA/PR) Meeting Thursday October 8
Equity and NSTU Reps Meeting Thursday October 8
New Member and Substitutes Meeting
Friday October 9

NEED HELP?

CONTACT NANCIE

If you're unsure about anything, reach out.