



CITY SCOOP

NSTU Halifax City Local



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Message From the President



Happy New Year, everyone. I hope you all welcomed 2026 feeling rested and re-energized for the year ahead. I'm looking forward to seeing what we can accomplish together - continuing to empower one another as NSTU members and strengthening our solidarity in the work ahead.

Nancie de la Chevotière



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City Shout-Out: Shili Mousseau

We're thrilled to recognize **Shili Mousseau** for leading her first-ever holiday concert with incredible calm, confidence, and joy. Even when the sound system wasn't cooperating, Shili remained steady and composed, ensuring every class felt supported and celebrated.

Her enthusiasm shone through each performance, and her behind-the-scenes work—so often overlooked and simply expected—made the entire event feel special for students, staff, and families alike.

A heartfelt thank you and congratulations to Shili for making her debut concert such a success!

Important Notices

Looking for a **YOGA instructor** to provide 1 hour of yoga for Halifax City NSTU members. **Honorarium provided.** If you are qualified and are interested, please contact me ASAP for more details. 902-497-9254 or email halifaxcitylocal@nstu.ca

"Keeping your body healthy is an expression of gratitude to the whole cosmos-the tress, the clouds,

everything." Thich Nhat Hanh



Contact me for a school visit **School Visit Request** or individual or group site visit OR alternate location.



Article 60 Make sure to read the guidelines before you apply!



JOIN OUR EXECUTIVE

We are voting on a new Vice President position in January. The person will have equity, new member and substitutes in their portfolio. It is a great opportunity to help our local be more inclusive

Upcoming Events/Due Dates

January 7: Article 60 Conference Grant (up to 6 sub days+ \$1800)/Inservice Promotion Grant Application Due (apply on HRCE Internal SharePoint)

January 10: Expression of interest (MyHRCE) Specialty Teaching Contract (French) and Equity Teaching Contract noon

January 15: EDUWellness Grant By Members for members (10 x \$1500)

January 28: Article 60 Conference Grant/Inservice Promotion Grant Application

January 28th: Local General Meeting. All Halifax City Members welcome. 4:30 at 3106 Joseph Howe drive *At this meeting we will vote on Our Annual Council delegates+ VP of Equity, New Member and Substitutes. The results may lead to other elections.

February 1: Expression of interest (MyHRCE) Specialty Teaching Contract (School Counsellor/Psychologist)



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IT'S IN OUR AGREEMENT

Teacher Provincial Agreement (TPA): TPA Link

Article 63 – Class Climate

Article 63 ensures that classroom climate supports teachers in carrying out their duties. If a teacher finds the climate unsuitable, they can report concerns to the Principal and, if unresolved, escalate to a Classroom Climate Review Team that considers space, resources, and student needs.

QR Code and Link to Halifax Regional Agreement. The agreement covers local provisions including bereavement leave, staffing, transfers, postings, and surplus teacher processes.



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