



# CITY SCOOP

## NSTU Halifax City Local



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### Message From the President



As we celebrate the work of members in our City Shout-Outs, I want to remind everyone to take time for yourselves, to empower yourselves in your workplaces, and to reach out whenever you need support.

We are stronger when we look after one another.

*Nancie de la Chevotière*



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### City Shout-Out: Kemble Flynn

Halifax City Local is proud to recognize **Kemble Flynn** for her exceptional contributions to our NSTU community. As a dedicated member of the Communications Committee, Kemble shares important information, supports colleagues in understanding their rights, and strengthens communication across our Local.

She is also an outstanding primary teacher who inspires her students—especially through the story of Terry Fox—and goes above and beyond for her school community. Her creativity, strong organizational skills, and willingness to help others, particularly with technology, make a meaningful difference every day.

Thank you, Kemble, for your leadership, generosity, and commitment. Your work truly stands out.



### 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](mailto:halifaxcitylocal@nstu.ca)

### NSTU Member Cards

First check with your rep for your card. Reps email [registry@nstu.ca](mailto:registry@nstu.ca) for missing cards name, school site and professional number.



[NSTU Deals and Discounts](#)

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! See HRCE SharePoint



[Read guidelines](#)

### JOIN OUR EXECUTIVE

We will be voting on a new Vice President position in January. This role includes equity, new members, and substitutes. To express interest, email [halifaxcitylocal@nstu.ca](mailto:halifaxcitylocal@nstu.ca) or [halifaxcitypapr@gmail.com](mailto:halifaxcitypapr@gmail.com) with your name and school site. See attached description.

### Upcoming Events/Due Dates

#### January 28: Article 60 Conference

Grant/Inservice Promotion Grant Application

**January 28<sup>th</sup>: 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.

**January 31: Article 60 Course Reimbursement for fall courses due**

**February 1: John Huntley applications due NSTU + PDAF Grants dues NSTU+ Expression of interest (MyHRCE) Specialty Teaching Contract (School Counsellor/Psychologist)**

**February 13<sup>th</sup>:** Nomination form for **Provincial Executive Positions** ( 3 seats: African NS, Indigenous and Halifax City) [PE Nomination form](#)

**February 13<sup>th</sup>: Full Year Ed Leave Applications due** (See HRCE SharePoint)

### LEARN ABOUT YOUR UNION

The **John Huntley Memorial Internship Program** is a **two-day NSTU professional development** opportunity offered up to four times per year for up to six members per session. Participants are selected by the Table Officers and ratified by the Provincial Executive, with consideration given to member eligibility, regional and local balance, union experience, curriculum or grade-level diversity, gender balance, and equity representation under the Nova Scotia Human Rights Act. Deadline: Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>

[Apply Here](#)

## IT'S IN OUR AGREEMENT

### Teacher Provincial Agreement (TPA): [TPA Link](#)

**Educational Leave (up to one year)** is available to teachers who meet the priorities and criteria outlined in **Article 60.09** of the Teachers' Provincial Agreement. Teachers should be aware that, upon returning from leave, they may be assigned to a position connected to the subject area of their studies, as outlined in their Regional Agreement.

**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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