



CITY SCOOP

NSTU Halifax City Local



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Message From the President



Happy Heritage Day!

Today we honour **Joseph Willie Comeau**, whose dedication strengthened the lives of Nova Scotians, especially within Acadian communities. I hope the snow and flu season haven't been too hard on you. Winter is a good reminder to take care of ourselves. NSTU members are encouraged to use the wellness supports available through our benefits.



Nancie de la Chevotière

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Upcoming Events/Due Dates

February 24:

Maternity/Adoption/Parental Leave
Zoom session email
economicwelfare@nstu.ca

to register, session title in subject line

February 25th: Article 60 Conference
Grant/Inservice Promotion Grant
Application Due (HRCE SharePoint)

March 4th: Local General Meeting. All
Halifax City Members welcome. 4:30 at
3106 Joseph Howe drive

March 31st: Local project Spring grant:
March 31, 2026 @ 4:00pm

Who to contact

➡ **Contractual concerns or disciplinary meetings:** Contact **Executive Staff Officer Jack MacLeod** for support.
Email: jmacLeod@staff.nstu.ca

➡ **Issues updating your preferred NSTU email:** Email
webaccounts@nstu.ca with your **name**,
professional number, and **school**.

➡ **Insurance questions:** Contact
Belair Phone: 902-453-9543
Toll-free: 1-800-453-9543
Email: insurance@nstu.ca or
GroupBenefitsNS@belairdirect.com
Website: Belairdirect



City Shout-Out: Ann Manderville

Ann Manderville from LeMarchant St. Thomas Elementary School is this week's City Shout-Out. Ann is an energetic and empathetic grade two teacher who consistently goes above and beyond to support both her students and her colleagues. Her positive energy brings laughter, movement, and joy into the school and helps everyone push through even the toughest moments. This is why Ann's colleagues look forward to working with her every day.

Ann, Halifax City Local NSTU appreciates everything you do to advance our profession.

Contact me for a school visit
School Visit Request or email me
for a meeting
halifaxcitylocal@nstu.ca



Important Notices

CONTEST ALERT

The Equity Committee will share one fact each week, followed by a Google Form in week 8. Everyone who submits the correct answer will be entered to win a prize.



Fact Week 3: Did You Know? Lunar New Year is a celebration of a new year based on the lunisolar calendar, so the date differs each year. This year Lunar New Year falls on February 17th, 2026 and it is the year of the Horse, which symbolizes passion, ambition, independence and rapid change.

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



EQUITY SURVEY

Halifax City Local NSTU wants to hear from you. **Please take a moment to complete the survey** and share your concerns, priorities, and ideas—**your voice will guide** the direction of this important work.
Equity Survey Link
OPEN UNTIL FEBRUARY 28th

IT'S IN OUR AGREEMENT

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

Article 70: Working Conditions

Teacher(s) who believe that a system, policy, or structure is creating a significant barrier to carrying out their duties may submit the concern in writing to their immediate supervisor. This process requires investigation and responses. See TPA for full details. [Link above.](#)

QR Code and Link to Halifax Regional Agreement. The agreement covers local provisions including bereavement leave,



staffing, transfers, and postings,

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