



CITY SCOOP

NSTU Halifax City Local

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Message From the President



As we celebrate **International Women's Day**, I want to acknowledge the strength, leadership, and resilience of the amazing women across our schools and in our union.

This final week before **March Break** is always busy and full of extra energy from students, and I appreciate everything you do to support one another and keep things steady. Wishing you all a smooth week.

Nancie de la Chevotière



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Upcoming Events/Due Dates

March 12th: In person session on School based violence 4:30 p.m. at the NSTU building (email economicwelfaresessions@gmail.com to register)

March 23rd: HRCE Specialty contracts for (French, School Counsellors, Learning Centre and Equity) Apply on Careers

March 25th: Article 60 Conference, In-service, Course pre-approval

March 25th: Pre-Council meeting for Halifax City Local Delegates and Alternates

March 26th: Zoom session on Retirement Income (email economicwelfaresessions@gmail.com to register)

March 31st: Local Member Project Grant Spring grant: March 31, 2026 @ 4:00pm



Important Notices

Register for YOGA

We are happy to announce that Chebucto Heights teacher and trained yoga instructor Amanda MacEachern will be offering yoga sessions for our local.

Sessions will run every Thursday for 8 weeks, beginning April 9th. Participants may register for 4 weeks in April, 4 weeks in May, or the full 8-week series for a total cost of ten dollars. **All levels welcome.**

Please register here: [YOGA with Amanda MacEachern – Fill out form](#)

Location: Halifax Yoga, 1027 Purcell's Cove Road, Halifax, B3L 1R2

Time: 4:15–5:15 p.m.



City Shout-Out: April Cross

April Cross is a dedicated member of the Halifax West school community, creating a safe and welcoming space for students to explore the performing arts particularly drama. She leads inclusive Remembrance Day programming that reflects the diversity of the school through meaningful stories and multiple languages. April also runs the school improv team, which **won provincials this year**, and she directs high-quality plays and musicals. She continues to support school-wide events such as multicultural celebrations and talent shows. **Thank you, April, for your creativity, leadership, and exceptional commitment to students.**

Contact me for a school visit School Visit Request or email me for a meeting. Nominate a colleague for a **Shout-Out: City Shout-Out Nomination – Fill out form**



African NS/Indigenous NSTU members register to vote for your Provincial Executive Members. Only those of you who identify will be able to vote. Elections

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



Read guidelines

Contest ALERT

From The Equity Committee

One fact is shared 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 6: Did you know that International Women's Day has been recognized globally since 1911, with its roots in the 1909 National Woman's Day in New York? It is celebrated each year on March 8, a date officially adopted after the 1917 women's strike in Russia that helped spark major political change.

IT'S IN OUR AGREEMENT

Teacher Provincial Agreement (TPA): TPA Link

ARTICLE 69 ASSESSMENT When a classroom teacher is required to perform Provincial or Education Entity mandated student assessments that require extended one-on-one student-teacher time, including, but not limited to, Oral Reading Assessments and Observation Surveys, supervision of the remaining students shall be provided by a substitute teacher unless the hiring of a substitute teacher is not operationally required.

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

leave, staffing, transfers, and postings,



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