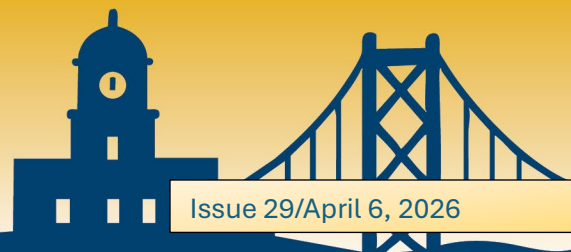




# CITY SCOOP

## NSTU Halifax City Local



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### Message From the President



April marks the last round of parent-teacher conferences, the final PD Day, and the beginning of the home stretch toward June. This phase of the year always moves quickly, and the workload tends to intensify as reporting, planning, and year-end responsibilities stack up. Your health, your energy, and your well-being matter. Planning time for yourself isn't a luxury at this stage of the year—it's a necessity.

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### Upcoming Events/Due Dates

**April 9<sup>th</sup>: Halifax City Local NSTU Yoga sessions begin** (confirmations emails were sent)

**April 13<sup>th</sup>: ANS/Indigenous PE seats register to vote by noon REGISTER**

**April 15<sup>th</sup>: Provincial Executive Elections** (Halifax City seat and eligible voters can also vote for ANS/Indigenous seats)

**April 22<sup>nd</sup> Local Meeting** followed by Pre-Council meeting for Halifax City Local Delegates and Alternates

**April 28<sup>th</sup>: Zoom session on Term Teacher Contracts and Benefits** Register [economicwelfare@nstu.ca](mailto:economicwelfare@nstu.ca)

**April 30: 4 p.m. Article 60 Course Grant Application Deadline**



### Important Notices

Do you identify as  
**African Nova Scotian**  
or **Indigenous?**

You are eligible to vote in the African Nova Scotian/Indigenous Provincial Executive elections on April 15.  
How do I vote? Fill out the online form to self-identify and receive an electronic ballot. <https://tinyurl.com/bzw47n>  
The deadline to register to vote is Monday, April 13 by noon.



**African Nova Scotian and Indigenous NSTU members** are eligible to register to vote for the first ever African Nova Scotian and Indigenous Provincial Executive Members. Only those who self-identify and register will receive a link to vote. Register here: [Elections](#)

**REGISTER BY APRIL 13<sup>th</sup> at noon**

### City Shout-Out: Adrienne Mitchell

**Adrienne Mitchell** is an outstanding physical education teacher at **Inglis Street Elementary**, a supportive colleague, and an essential part of the school community. This year, she planned and led the Inglis Winter Olympic Games—an event that brought students together for a full day of fun, teamwork, and physical activity. Adrienne is one of the most inclusive physical educators; she ensures every student feels welcome, capable, and able to participate fully. Inglis Street School is stronger because of her dedication, her leadership, and the joy she brings to her work.

**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**

[NSTU Study and Research Grants](#)

**April 15<sup>th</sup>: Full-time study grants due**

### Gil Oickle Bursaries

**All Halifax City Local NSTU members (must be on the registry) qualify to enter their children who will be or are attending post-secondary institutions for a \$500 bursary. These will be selected by random draw at our AGM in June.**  
[Apply here](#)

### \*\*Contest ALERT\*\*

### IT'S IN OUR AGREEMENT

### CONNECT WITH US

#### From The Equity Committee

The Equity Committee has shared eight weeks of facts highlighting important people, events, and celebrations, including African Heritage Month, Myla Borden, Lunar New Year, Ramadan, Purim, International Women's Day, Eid, and Two-Spirit Celebration and Awareness. Fill out this Google Form by **April 15** to be entered into a prize draw. All you need to do is share **ONE thing you learned** from these posts.

[EQUITY FACTS CONTEST GOOGLE FORM](#)  
(ONLY non-employer email entries considered)

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

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



leave, staffing, transfers, and postings,

#### Special leaves

Article 4.08 The Regional Centre shall, upon application, grant up to three (3) days leave with pay, or other accommodation for practicing adherents of established Religious Faiths to participate in major Holy Days of their religion.

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