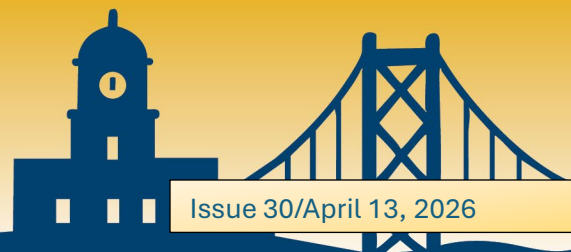




CITY SCOOP

NSTU Halifax City Local



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Message From the President



This is a big week for Halifax City Local as we prepare to elect a new provincial executive member on April 15. It's also a historic moment: NSTU members who identify as African Nova Scotian and/or Indigenous will be voting for provincial executive seats representing those groups for the first time. Only those who registered in advance will be eligible to participate. I'm looking forward to visiting schools this week, and as always, please feel free to reach out anytime.

Nancie de la Chevotière



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City Shout-Out: Amanda MacEachern

Amanda MacEachern has been a steady and supportive presence at Chebucto Heights for many years, mentoring teachers and contributing to a positive school community. She is a devoted animal lover and proud dog mom. Amanda brings a sense of calm and tranquility to every classroom she enters. She also shared her enthusiasm with the Halifax City Local by leading yoga sessions for members. Thank you, Amanda, for the kindness, steadiness, and positive energy you bring to your school and colleagues.

Important Notices

NOW OPEN

(April 1st-May 31st)

Halifax City Local (Gil Oickle) Student Educational Awards

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.

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 15th: Full-time study grants due

Upcoming Events/Due Dates

April 13th: ANS/Indigenous PE seats register to vote by noon REGISTER

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

April 22nd Local Meeting followed by Pre-Council meeting for Halifax City Local Delegates and Alternates

April 28th: Zoom session on Term Teacher Contracts and Benefits Register
economicwelfaresessions@gmail.com

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

May 5th: Zoom session on Pensions 101
economicwelfaresessions@gmail.com

REGISTER BY APRIL 13th at 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**

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/jbzw77nj>
The deadline to register to vote is Monday, April 13 by noon.



Contest ALERT

IT'S IN OUR AGREEMENT

CONNECT WITH US

From The Equity Committee

WIN a GIFT CARD! The Equity Committee has shared 8 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 15th** 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,

4.07 Teachers shall be entitled to temporary Leave of Absence with full pay for a maximum of three (3) days in any school year for urgent or imperative responsibilities. Responsibilities shall be defined as a victim of fire or flood or other natural disaster, to attend the citizenship ceremony of the teacher, to attend the deployment of the teacher's spouse or common law partner or such others as may be approved by the Regional Executive Director or designate.

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