



CITY SCOOP

NSTU Halifax City Local

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Message From the President

Halloween week is always a busy one and a rainy day adds an extra layer. Please make sure to take care of yourselves. I am looking forward to sharing news on some yoga sessions for Halifax City members very soon. Your wellness matters. As always contact me anytime with questions, concerns or suggestions.

Nancie de la Chevotière

President Halifax City Local NSTU 902-497-9254

halifaxcitylocal.com [School Visit Request](#)



City Shout-Out: Robin Jensen

Robin Jensen, art teacher at Halifax West and former Fine Arts specialist for HRA, continues to champion visual arts education. She recently co-led a session at the Art Teachers Association conference with Dr. Karyn Harrison, sharing her passion for art as a tool for expression, resilience, and problem-solving. Thank you, Robin—your local appreciates all you do!

Upcoming Events/Due Dates

November 6: Retirement Income Zoom session
email to register 6 p.m. start:
economicwelfaresessions@gmail.com
(for all Zoom sessions)

November 13: Zoom Session on
Pregnancy/Adoption/Parental Leave

November 14: October Conference
Reimbursement Application Due [Article 60 guidelines](#)

November 14-15, 2025 Reps Retreat:
[Register for Rep Retreat](#)

November 25: Zoom Session for New
Members

December 9th: Contracts Zoom Session

November 5: New Member Trivia Night

@Big Leagues 4-6 pm

If you are within your first 7 years, please come out to meet some of your colleagues and connect with your union. This is a great opportunity to mingle and participate in a fun trivia game led by Kelly O'Brien Chair of the New Member Committee

Like a vampire I must be invited in. Contact me for a school visit (individual or all NSTU): [School Visit Request](#)



Read the October Edition of [The Teacher](#)

Important Notices

Halifax City Wellness Grant: Each school can apply to receive funding for an activity, lunch, treat at \$8/member at their school site. **The deadline is November 30th.** One application per school by a rep. Apply here: [Wellness Grant](#)

Organizing 4 Power: Contact Ben Sichel at bsichel@gmail.com to learn more about a free online union activism course (DATES: NOV 18 & 20 AND DEC 2 & 4)

[Organizing4Power](#) website

IT'S IN OUR AGREEMENT

Article 5: Leave of Absence

An unpaid Leave of Absence of less than one (1) year may be granted at the discretion of the Regional Centre. Applications for an unpaid Leave of Absence of less than one (1) year duration shall be delivered in writing to the Regional Centre not less than two (2) months prior to the anticipated date of commencement of leave. In exceptional circumstances the Regional Centre may grant a leave with less than two (2) months' notice. QR Code to Halifax Regional Agreement



Did you apply yet for your personal day??



31.12 Discretion Day:

- 1 day leave with pay
- Subject to operational requirements

[Link to Teacher Provincial Agreement](#)

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