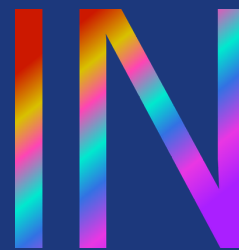




The CHECK

June 22, 2026

Issue 47



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:



With our last full week with students now underway, the finish line is in sight. While there is still much to do before the year wraps up, I hope you can take a moment to recognize the progress your students have made and the role you have played in their success.

Thank you for continuing to bring your energy, expertise, and care to your work during this busy time of year. Wishing you a smooth and successful final week with students.

IMPORTANT DATES

June 22 First Term posting closes (12pm)

June 26 High School Assessment and Evaluation Day (No school high school ONLY)

Halifax County Local Conference Fund and Local Reserve Conference Fund application deadline

June 30 Last day of school (day 195)

Switching emails?

Adding your preferred email to your online NSTU account (<https://nstucentral.ca/>) and experiencing difficulty?

Please email (from a non-employer email) webaccounts@nstu.ca and include:

- what task you are attempting to accomplish ie. adding preferred email, reset username or password
- the error received
- your professional number (six digit) not your 400#

Not located in the Member Registry?

You are not listed in the Member Registry(<https://nstucentral.ca/>)?

Fill out the following online form

- [English](#)
- [French](#)

Or complete the appropriate attached form and email to centraloffice@nstu.ca

“
 A June classroom is powered equally by learning and anticipation
 ~ Anonymous
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Nova Scotia Teachers Union

Membership Information Form – Public Schools

PLEASE NOTE: Long term substitutes do NOT complete this form.

To activate your NSTU web account, simply follow the link on the NSTU website (select “NSTU Web Accounts” from the “Communications” dropdown menu) and enter the necessary information. **NOTE:** You must be entered in the Membership Registry in order to open an account; therefore, please allow time for your form to be processed.

Professional Number: _____			
Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial(s)	Commonly Used Name
License Level: _____			
Mailing Address: _____			
City:	Province:	Postal Code:	
Home Telephone: _____		Cell: _____	
Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy): _____			
School/Home School: _____			
Contract Status:	Permanent <input type="checkbox"/>	Probationary <input type="checkbox"/>	Term <input type="checkbox"/>
Position:	Principal <input type="checkbox"/>	Vice-Principal <input type="checkbox"/>	Classroom <input type="checkbox"/> Specialist <input type="checkbox"/>

Can the NSTU share your cell phone number with a company contracted to contact you by text message on behalf of the NSTU? Yes No

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If you responded yes to the question above, please indicate which phone number should be used for text messages:

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Can the NSTU share your phone number with a company contracted to provide telephone town hall services on behalf of the NSTU? Yes No

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If you responded yes to the question above, please indicate which phone number should be used for town hall services:

The information supplied on this form is for the sole purpose of enabling the Nova Scotia Teachers Union to communicate information directly related to the business of the NSTU and of interest to teachers. This information will not be shared with any other person or organization. By submitting this form you have authorized the NSTU to retain the above information for the described purposes.



Nova Scotia Teachers Union

Formulaire de renseignements d'adhésion - Écoles publiques

N.B. Les suppléants à long terme ne doivent pas remplir ce formulaire

Pour activer votre compte Web du NSTU, veuillez simplement suivre le lien sur le site Web du NSTU (sélectionnez « Comptes Web du NSTU » à partir du menu déroulant « Communications ») et entrer les renseignements demandés.

NOTEZ BIEN : Vous devez être inscrit au Registre des membres afin d'ouvrir un compte; par conséquent, veuillez allouer le temps pour le traitement de votre formulaire.

Numéro professionnel:			
Nom de famille	Prénom(s)	Initiale(s) du second prénom utilisé	Nom couramment utilisé
Niveau de permis d'enseignement : _____			
Adresse : _____			
Ville :	Province :	Code postal :	
Téléphone :	Cellulaire :		
Date de naissance (jj/mm/aaaa) :			
École : _____			
Type de contrat : Permanent <input type="checkbox"/> Stagiaire <input type="checkbox"/> Durée déterminée <input type="checkbox"/>			
Poste : Directeur/Directrice <input type="checkbox"/> Directeur/Directrice adjoint(e) <input type="checkbox"/> Titulaire de classe <input type="checkbox"/> Spécialiste <input type="checkbox"/>			
Les renseignements fournis sur ce formulaire ont uniquement pour but de permettre au Nova Scotia Teachers Union de communiquer des renseignements liés directement aux activités du NSTU et susceptibles d'intéresser les enseignants. Ces renseignements ne seront partagés avec aucune autre personne ou organisation. En soumettant ce formulaire, vous autorisez le NSTU à conserver les renseignements ci-dessus aux fins décrites.			



CUTS TO EDUCATION WON'T STRENGTHEN SCHOOLS



CONTACT YOUR MLA & EXPLAIN WHY



ACT FOR EDUCATION



Be a Site Rep Next Year!

We encourage you to consider volunteering for one of the important positions at your school or site. A heartfelt thank you goes out to everyone who stepped up this year. Your dedication is truly appreciated and made a significant impact. Your ongoing support of both the Local and the NSTU as a whole makes a real difference.

As we approach the end of the school year, it's a great time to think about running for the School/Site Union Representative position in September. While many current Reps will continue in their roles, retirements and transfers often create openings that need to be filled. During Organization Day in September, NSTU members at your school/site should expect a call for nominations – a perfect opportunity to get involved and help shape our Local.

C. NSTU REPRESENTATIVE

- I. A NSTU representative is an active member of the NSTU assigned to an educational site within the geographical or educational site boundaries of the Local.
- II. Each educational site shall elect a minimum of one (1) NSTU representative. Educational sites with up to twenty-five (25) members shall elect a maximum of one (1) NSTU representative. Educational sites with twenty-six (26) to fifty (50) members may elect a maximum of two (2) NSTU representatives. Educational sites with fifty-one (51) to one hundred (100) members may elect a maximum of three (3) NSTU representatives. Educational sites with over one hundred (100) members may elect a maximum of four (4) NSTU representatives. The educational site shall be entitled to an equal number of alternate representatives.
- III. Notwithstanding C II above, under exceptional circumstances, a Local may at a Local General Meeting approve additional NSTU representatives at an individual educational site for an academic year.

Rep Roles and Responsibilities

- c. NSTU Representative – duties for NSTU representatives include, but are not limited to:
 - i. The timely distribution and posting of NSTU information received through the provincial NSTU representative network.
 - ii. The timely distribution and posting of information received from the NSTU Local.
 - iii. Directing members' requests to the appropriate Local or provincial support persons.
 - iv. Coordinating the collection of annual membership registry data in his/her educational site.
 - v. Requesting time on the staff meeting agenda for NSTU updates.
 - vi. Calling other meetings as necessary.
 - vii. Assisting new members to become informed NSTU members.
 - viii. Identifying themselves to all members new to their educational site.
 - ix. Ensuring all members understand the NSTU representatives' roles and duties.
 - x. Conducting other functions as outlined in these Operational Procedures.




2026 Staffing Timelines

- June 22 (12pm) First term posting closes
- July 8 (12pm) Summer term posting goes live
- Aug 17 (12pm) Summer term posting closes
- Aug 19 (12pm) Weekly Term postings resume



Three to Thrive

Three quick, practical tips to help us recharge, stay balanced, and thrive—each one takes just a few minutes!

-  Laugh—it's good for your heart and mind
-  Pause and notice something beautiful in your environment
-  Reflect on a classroom success or small win



NSTU Building Shutdown

Please be advised that the Annual NSTU building shutdown will take place from **July 20 to July 31, 2026**. Further details will be shared as they become available from NSTU Central Office.



Do you have any tips that work well???

If so, please feel free to send into halifaxcountylocal@nstu.ca to be included in an upcoming Check In.

KNOW YOUR CONTRACT(S)

REGIONAL AGREEMENT (HRCE) - ARTICLE 18 - DAILY PLAN BOOK

18.01 The staff of each school shall, at the Regional Centre's expense, annually decide the Plan Book to be used and ordered by the Principal.

TEACHERS' PROVINCIAL AGREEMENT (TPA) - ARTICLE 24 - EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

24.01 While the parties consider it desirable that teachers participate in extracurricular activities, it is recognized by the parties bound by this Agreement that any involvement, such as participation, supervision, administration, direction, coaching, by a teacher in extracurricular activities shall be on a voluntary basis.



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Local PD Opportunities for June

Halifax County Local Conference Fund

Amount: Up to \$900 CDN

Members can use to attend a conference, workshop, seminar, clinic, symposium, institute or other approved PD opportunity. Can receive once every 2 years.

Eligibility: Must be a permanent, probationary or term teacher of the Halifax County Local only. Please note: NSTU Professional Development Day (October Conference) and credit courses are not funded by this grant. For such funding, go to HRCE Internal Sharepoint for more information.

Deadline: Last Friday of each month – August to June

****New application for 26-27 has been posted on the Halifax County Local Website****

Halifax County Local C.D.A.F. (Curriculum Development Assistance Fund)

Amount: 10 projects up to \$750

This fund was initiated to financially support Halifax County teachers to develop long term project ideas that align with grade/teaching assignment. These projects must be self-sustaining and contain non-consumables. As a result of this support, students benefit from enhanced learning experiences. Once per year.

Eligibility: Must be a permanent, probationary or term teacher of the Halifax County Local only.

Deadline: Opens Monday, September 14th at 4pm and closes Friday, October 2nd at 4pm

Halifax County Local Cash for Classrooms

Amount: 500 applicants up to \$100

For Halifax County members to purchase items to improve some aspect of their teaching their profession, once per year as long as the budget has the funds.

Eligibility: Must be a permanent, probationary or term teacher of the Halifax County Local only. Cannot have received the CDAF in the same school year. **MUST be pre-approved. DO NOT BUY AHEAD OF APPROVAL.**

Deadline: Opens Friday, October 16th and closes when the limit of 500 applications is reached

Article 60 Upcoming Deadlines

The 2026-27 Article 60 Guidelines are available via Sharepoint. Members are responsible to read and follow guidelines. Members must ensure they have completed all sections/boxes of the Sharepoint applications when applying. Members are responsible to verify documents are attached and deadlines are met.

All documents must be received electronically via Sharepoint by 4pm.

Local PD Opportunities for June

Continued...

Conference, In-service and Course Pre-approval 2026-27

Application Deadline Dates (no later than 4:00 PM)

September 2, 2026
 September 30, 2026
 October 28, 2026
 November 25, 2026
 January 6, 2027
 January 27, 2027
 February 24, 2027
 March 31, 2027

Committee Meeting Dates

September 9, 2026
 October 7, 2026
 November 4, 2026
 December 2, 2026
 January 13, 2027
 February 3, 2027
 March 3, 2027
 April 7, 2027

Please note:

For conferences and Course Pre-Approvals, **the start date** must take place at least **10 calendar days AFTER the Committee Meeting Date.**
 For In-Services, **the start date** must take place at least **30 calendar days AFTER the Committee Meeting Date.**
Applications for conferences ending April 1, 2027-March 31, 2028 will be accepted beginning in January 2027.

Course Reimbursement Deadlines 2026-27:

Course Completed During the Following Dates	Deadline Date via SharePoint. No Later than 4pm
April 1, 2026 – June 30, 2026	July 31, 2026
July 1, 2026 – September 30, 2026	October 31, 2026
October 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026	January 31, 2027
January 1, 2027 – March 31, 2027	April 30, 2027

HRCE has asked that when submitting documents for course reimbursements and use “snipping tool” from university websites, to please ensure members include their name in the snip to prove the receipt/course grade, etc belongs to the applicant.

****These dates are a guide only. Members are responsible to reconfirm deadlines on the various websites. Halifax County Local is not responsible for incorrect/missed deadlines.**



JOIN YOUR COLLEAGUES
IN CELEBRATING

HFx PRIDE



More details in our
Facebook event:

"Hfx Pride Parade
- NSTU Members"



#NSTUpride

SAT. JULY 18, 2026

MEET AT 11:30AM

Bring a colleague, friends, or
family (pets, too!) and walk with us



Invites
You
To
The...

Labour Day Rally '26!



**MONDAY
SEPTEMBER
7TH, 2026**

**Save The
Date!**

Meet At:
NS Labour Board
1601 Lower Water St.

March To:
Peace And
Friendship Park

More details to come!
Follow our socials
or email
halifaxcountylocal@nstu.ca
with any questions

