

To: ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local Members
From: Craig Smith, President, ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local (ETFO TVTL)
Date: February 28, 2025
Regarding: **Weekly Update 22 – Political Action Update (5)**

The **Provincial General Election** for the 44th Parliament was held on Thursday, February 27, 2025. The following information was sent to all Teachers during the general election campaign:

- Elections Ontario voting information.
- Links to Provincial political parties and platforms.
- Links to **Building Better Schools**, ETFO's education platform.
- **Student Vote** election-related resources for Teachers that align to the Ontario Curriculum.
- Links to Local Campaigns.
- ETFO Provincial election endorsements.
- CLC/OFL election resources.
- Links to NDP and Green Party Platforms.
- Video messages from NDP candidates Terence Kernaghan (London North Centre) and Peggy Sattler (London West).
- ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local endorsements/recommendations.

Local Election Results

- London North Centre – Terence Kernaghan (NDP)
- London West – Peggy Sattler (NDP)
- London Fanshawe – Teresa Armstrong (NDP)
- Oxford – Ernie Hardeman (PC)
- Lambton Kent Middlesex – Stephen Pinsonneault (PC)
- Elgin Middlesex London – Rob Flack (PC)

Thanks to all Teachers who voted, and who volunteered their time to work on local campaigns.

Bill 124 Remedy and CRA T1198 Tax Forms

The issue of Bill 124 Remedy and T1198 tax forms was brought to the attention of the Board back in June 2024. It is still not clear when the Board will make T1198 forms available.

As tax season is upon us all, Teachers are advised to contact the TVDSB Payroll Helpline directly with questions about the T1198 form or to request said form. The contact email for is payrollhelpline@tvdsb.ca.

Upcoming Events

- Retirement Planning Workshop – March 5, 2025
- Workplace Steward' Meeting – March 19, 2025
- Independent Women Financial Workshop – March 20, 2025
- 25 Year Celebration – March 26, 2025
- Culturally Relevant and Responsive Pedagogy Workshop - April 1, 2025
- Pregnancy/Parental Leave Workshop – April 2, 2025
- Visual Strategies Workshop – April 10, 2025
- Unlearn. Relearn. How Colonization Impacts Your Practice Workshop – April 10, 2025

Communication Protocol

Teachers are reminded that the **Communication Protocol** remains in effect, **from** Friday, February 28 at 6:00 p.m. **until** Sunday, March 2 at 6:00 p.m.

The Board's **Disconnecting from Work Employee Procedure** came into effect on Thursday, June 2 in compliance with the **Working for Workers Act, 2021**.

Violations of the **Communication Protocol** and the **TVDSB Disconnecting from Work Procedure** must be reported to the Local office immediately.

Duty of the Local

- Defend the **Collective Agreement** and the rights of Teachers under it.
- Ensure that the provisions of the **Occupational Health and Safety Act** are enforced.
- Bring to the attention of TVDSB ongoing Teacher concerns, with the expectation that these concerns will be taken seriously and resolved quickly.
- Communicate with Teachers in a clear, concise, and timely manner

For more information regarding this *Communiqué* please contact the Local office by phone at 519-474-3150, or by email at etfotvtl@etfothamesvalley.com