

President's Message

November 5, 2018

Seeking New ONE-T Employee Trustee

The 3 provincial principal associations (OPC, CPCO and ADFO) will, following a formal selection process, be jointly choosing a new Trustee representative for our provincial life and health benefits provider. The ONE-T Board is made up of nine Trustees, including four employer representatives from the government/school boards and five employee representatives (including the Chair) from the non-union employees. The Board is responsible for effectively managing ONE-T, including making a broad range of administrative and investment decisions. For more information about this multi-year opportunity to serve your colleagues and the related selection process, [click here](#).

Open Enrolment for Members Without LTD Coverage

Have you previously been denied LTD coverage? Did you miss the initial 60-day window after your appointment to a P/VP position to apply for LTD coverage? Is LTD coverage a condition of employment (check your T&C agreement) but you are not currently covered for any reason?

In September, our Benefits Plan was transferred from Manulife Financial to Great-West Life. With this transfer, we were able to negotiate an open enrolment for Members who do not currently have LTD coverage under the OPC Benefits plan and would not otherwise be eligible for coverage. The deadline to apply is **November 30, 2018**. Once you are enrolled, premiums will be retroactive to September 1, 2018, the start of our policy contract with Great-West Life.

Do You Have Student Art to Display?

We are putting together a collection of student art work on the exhibition wall in our office. If you would like to contribute one piece of art from a student, students, club or class in your school, please send us the following:

Hard Copy Specifications

- 1 piece of art, on paper, that can be attached to the wall with a magnet (paper should not be heavier than card stock)
- The art can be up to 11 ½ x 17 inches maximum dimensions either horizontal or vertical
- Make sure the artwork is flat and not wrinkled or folded
- Send hard copy to us at 20 Queen St. W., 27th Floor, Toronto, ON, M5H 3R3

Digital Specifications

- 1 digital file of artwork with dimensions of up to 11 ½ x 17 inches maximum either horizontal or vertical
- High quality resolution (150-300 dpi recommended) and in JPEG format
- Files sent via email should be under 10MB; if over 10MB it can be uploaded and sent via Dropbox
- Email digital artwork to Chris Johnstone, cjohnstone@principals.ca

For all submissions, please include the first name of the student(s), the name of the school and the name of the board on a separate card. Ensure the student(s) understand it will be posted on our public wall with their first name, school and board identified.

Media

[Writer praises educators for teaching the true history of Canada's Indigenous people](#)

[Canadian ed-tech start-up improves literacy through play](#)

[Moratorium on closing half-empty schools comes with high costs](#)

[Ontario makes basic math test a requirement for teaching licence](#)

[Service animals could be allowed in more schools](#)

[Move to halt funding for teachers' math PD raises concerns](#)

[A packed school bus needs adult supervision](#)

Queen's Park

There were questions in the House last week about [funding for 3 new post-secondary campuses](#), [mental health services](#), [sexual abuse by teachers](#), [service animals in schools](#), [government plans in upcoming Bill 48](#), [proposed new math test for teachers](#) and [cuts to funding for Big Sisters](#).