President's Message June 22, 2020

COVID Tip Sheet

As the Ontario government proceeds with cautiously reopening the province, school boards are in the process of making plans for safely opening their doors to students in September. Boards will need to follow the advice and guidelines of Public Health agencies to ensure that their employees, students and the community remain safe from contracting COVID-19. Our Protective Services Team has developed <u>a list of Frequently Asked Questions</u> to assist you in understanding your rights and obligations now, and upon your return to school in September. If you have specific questions or would benefit from personalized advice to help you navigate these issues, please contact a Protective Services Intake Consultant.

Calls for Expressions of Interest - T&C Support Consultants

We are once again enhancing our delivery model for Terms and Conditions support by adding four T&C Support Consultants (TCSC) as part-time, independent contractors. This role will involve providing direct advice and support to district T&C representatives as they implement provincially negotiated provisions locally, negotiate additional local provisions and assist with the initiation of dispute resolution and impasse processes. Each TCSC will work closely with assigned districts under the direction and supervision of our Protective Services Team. <u>Expressions of interest</u> will be accepted until the end of the business day Friday, June 26, 2020.

The Register Magazine

As part of your summer professional learning and reading, we encourage you to include our articles on <u>Enhanced Professional Learning</u>, <u>Seeking Reconciliation Champions</u>, the <u>Risks of</u> <u>Vaping</u> and <u>Wellness When It Works</u>, all part of the Spring 2020 issue of *The Register*. If you are interested in contributing to our professional magazine through an article or review, please email our Assistant Editor at <u>Iromanese@principals.ca</u>.

Keep Your Information Up-to-Date

As we start planning for the new school year in September, some of you may be preparing for a new role, school or other stage of your career. To keep your membership, LTD or optional insurance coverage in good standing and your contact information up to date, <u>view our guide</u> for answers about how to get assistance with any changes you may have upcoming.

Program Lead Positions

We are seeking recently retired OPC Members or Associates for the <u>Emerging Leader</u> <u>Development Program Lead</u> (due June 23) and the <u>Principal's Development Course Lead</u> (due June 24).

Media

- Minister directs boards to begin Sept with mix of in-person and remote instruction
- <u>Virtual school is almost out how did distance learning work?</u>
- Black student says police presence at school intimidating
- Better public child care is the engine we need for pandemic recovery
- Kids are being less active during lockdown
- How school could look different next year
- Kids still need vaccinations during COVID19
- TDSB creates Centre of Excellence for Black student achievement
- <u>Set a schedule for kids' summer vacations</u>

Queen's Park

The House sat for two days last week. There were questions about the <u>return to child care</u>; <u>youth employment</u>; <u>government plans for return to classrooms</u>; and <u>access to technology</u> (second part of question).