

President's Message

October 21, 2019

It's Election Day!

If you haven't done so already, please take the time to vote today. This is a right and a responsibility that we all have. If you don't know where you are supposed to vote, contact [Elections Canada](#) for more information. You will need your voter information card and another piece of identification. Polls are open until 9:30 pm EST.

OPC Benefits – Beneficiary Designation

If you have optional insurance coverage (Life, Accidental Death & Dismemberment) through the OPC group benefits plan, ensure that your designated beneficiary(s) is up-to-date. In the event of death, the beneficiary on record will receive the proceeds from any optional insurance claim. Review your [Benefits profile](#) to check the beneficiary listed and the percentage allocation. You must be logged into [our website](#) to access your profile. This is not necessary if you only have LTD coverage.

To make a change, complete the [Beneficiary Designation form](#) and return the original hard copy to the OPC by mail. Changes will only be processed on receipt of the original form. Each Member is the automatic beneficiary for your spousal and child life insurance

People for Education Survey

People for Education has sent out its Annual Ontario School Survey. We are pleased to support the survey, which [you can fill in online](#). Last year, more than 1,200 principals participated. Individual results are confidential, and only the overall results are reported in [their Annual Report on Ontario's Publicly Funded Schools](#).

We know that this year you are dealing with a number of challenges along with significant policy and funding changes. That may make this more important than ever. Educators, researchers, policy makers and the media use the results to inform their understanding of our public education system. Your support helps ensure that policy-makers and the public have an accurate picture of the successes and challenges occurring in our schools. If you have any questions, please call 416-534-0100 or email asia@peopleforeducation.ca.

Media

- [Climate change compels schools to improve environmental literacy](#)
- [Director concerned about looming effects of class size](#)
- [Ronald McDonald House – where students learn and heal together](#)
- [ETFO files for conciliation after central talks stall](#)

- [OSSTF prepares to hold strike votes](#)
- [Youth share what they'd like to see change in the next election](#)

Queen's Park

The House is in recess until October 28.