

# **President's Message**

February 23, 2021

#### **Twitter Chat**

Our next Twitter chat will be held this **Thursday February 2 from 8-9pm EST**. The topic will be De-streaming Math. To take part, sign in to Twitter at 8:00 pm, enter #OPCchat in the search Twitter box in the upper right corner, introduce yourself once the moderator joins and include #OPCchat with all your comments. We hope you can join us!

# **2020 Membership Tax Receipts**

If you pay OPC membership fees by cheque or credit card, paid retroactive fees by cheque or credit card during 2020, are employed by Renfrew or Superior-Greenstone or are a Term Member, a copy of your 2020 membership tax receipt is available on <u>our website</u> under **My Profile, Member Tax Rec, 2020**. If you pay membership fees by payroll deduction, use the amount recorded in box 44 on the T4 slip issued by your board. Claim the amount on the T4 slip or on your OPC membership tax receipt, not both. You do not need the receipt, but you can keep a copy for your records.

Associate fees are not tax deductible, but you can get a copy on our website under My Profile, Associate Rec, 2020. For information or questions, email <a href="mailto:membership@principals.ca">membership@principals.ca</a>.

# **IEL Hosts Leadership Development Series**

The Institute for Education Leadership (IEL) is offering a virtual Leadership Development Series. The first session will consider *What does good leadership look like during a pandemic?* The discussion topics will be Leader Well-being, Leadership during a Pandemic and Balancing Cultures of Learning and Equity. It will be held on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 from 3 pm to 4 pm. Registration is open until February 27.

## Media

- How Black women helped shape education in Ontario
- Why we need to pay more attention to the youngest children right now
- How will schools keep kids safe during the third wave?
- Youth suicide a growing and concerning problem
- Financial literacy needs to keep up with changing world of money
- Schools re-think expectations for students who have lost time
- Measles vaccination rates cause for concern for COVID-19 immunization
- Virtual field trips coming directly to classrooms

## Queen's Park

There were questions in the House last week about <u>re-opening the province</u>, <u>new safety</u> <u>measures in schools</u>, <u>sexual harassment incidents in postsecondary institutions</u>, <u>additional</u>

safety measures requested of go	vernment for sc	<u>hools</u> , <u>children's ا</u>	<u>mental health serv</u>	<u>vices</u> and
school repairs needed for COVID-19 safety.				