

VANCOUVER BY-ELECTION

Saturday, October 14, 2017

8:00AM to 8:00PM – [CLICK HERE](#) for locations

The by-election to elect nine (9) School Board Trustees is fast approaching, and will finally return democratically-elected trustees to the VSB.

Our BCTF Supreme Court of Canada Victory on Class-Size and Composition from November 10, 2016, and the more recent swearing in of the new government will contribute to long overdue improvements to Public Education. As Vancouver teachers, we must take action to elect supportive School Board Trustees and ensure they are strong advocates for a quality, stable, well-funded system. This is an important piece to further public education.

At our first VSTA Executive meeting we reflected on the proven record of former trustees and/or candidates' actions as public education advocates. As a result, VSTA passed a motion to endorse the following eight (8) candidates.

Our VSTA endorsed candidates are:

✓	ALEXANDER, Joy	VISION
✓	BERCIC, Carrie	ONECITY
✓	CLEMENT, Ken	VISION
✓	FRASER, Janet	GREEN
✓	JAAF, Erica	ONECITY
✓	LAMB, Theodora	VISION
✓	LOMBARDI, Mike	VISION
✓	WONG, Allan	VISION



Historically, municipal voter turn-out is low, in the 2014 general municipal election was 44 %. Candidates can win or lose by only a handful of votes. Teachers have the power to make an impact. Beyond the commitment get to the polls on October 14th, consider these actions:

1. Talk to friends, and family members.
2. Distribute VSTA Poll Cards in your neighborhood or share it via social media.
3. Make a campaign contribution to the candidate(s) of your choice.
4. Volunteer on a campaign.
5. Contact the VSTA to get involved or to obtain more VSTA Poll Cards.
6. If you don't live in Vancouver, be sure to reach out to someone who does, and see that they get to the polls on October 14th!

ADVANCE VOTING: October 4 & 10
8:00AM to 8:00PM—Vancouver City Hall