

VSTA

School Union Rep Training

OCTOBER 19, 2022

HOLIDAY INN VANCOUVER CENTRE
711 W. BROADWAY (At Heather)

Registration is open to
3 reps per school/site.

Registration deadline:
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

Register here:

[https://questionnaire.simplesurvey.com/f/v/
FallSURT_Oct2022](https://questionnaire.simplesurvey.com/f/v/FallSURT_Oct2022)



REPORT YOUR ABSENCE

Use code 141 and request TTOC coverage, if needed.



HOTEL PARKING IS COMPLIMENTARY!

Please provide your license plate number at the VSTA Registration table.



TRANSLINK – CANADA LINE

The hotel is located 2 blocks west from the *Broadway - City Hall Canada Line Station*. Transit tickets will be reimbursed.



MORNING WORKSHOPS

Choice of 2 workshops

BCTF CODE OF ETHICS: UNDERSTANDING THE PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIP

BCTF Facilitator

This workshop helps members understand professional and ethical behaviour as it relates to the BCTF Code of Ethics. It explores clauses, the rationale and processes for enforcement of and for dealing with alleged violations of the code. It defines the role of the Judicial Council and the role of local officers in promoting ethical conduct. Scenarios are used to promote discussion and to apply the Code of Ethics to members' behaviours and situations.

IS IT A GRIEVANCE?

BCTF Facilitator

This workshop gives union representatives an understanding of the grievance procedure for solving disputes. Participants learn their role in grievance handling and enhance their skill in helping colleagues resolve problems at the school level. Participants must bring a copy of their collective agreement in order to examine issues of local or school concern.

AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

Choice of 2 workshops

EFFECTIVE SCHOOL STAFF COMMITTEES

BCTF Facilitator

Government has increased the voice of parents in schools, given greater power to administration, and limited teachers' roles in decision-making. To maintain teacher influence and control over their professional lives, teachers require their own independent and democratic structure and processes in the worksite. This workshop offers practical advice on how to establish and maintain a school staff committee.

STRATEGIES FOR DISCUSSING CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES

BCTF Facilitator

Discussing controversial issues with students is an important part of social justice, the inquiry process, and building the skills for students to become active, engaged and critically-minded democratic citizens. This workshop provides practical classroom strategies to discuss controversial issues in a respectful manner.