

To: All Secondary Teachers
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Memo #6

Simcoe Muskoka Secondary AGM Delegates



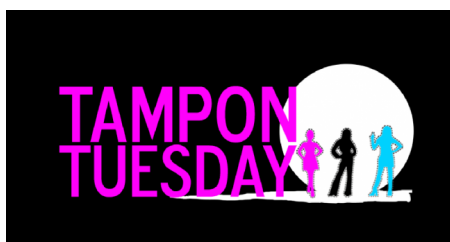
We are currently seeking applicants to serve on our Simcoe Muskoka OECTA AGM Delegation occurring in Ottawa March 8-11 2019. The secondary unit has been allocated eight delegates, and the composition of the delegation is outlined in our bylaws and described in the application that can be found [here](#).

If you are interested please submit the application by Friday December 7th.

The National Day of Remembrance & Action on Violence Against Women

December 6 is the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence against Women in Canada. Established in 1991 by the Parliament of Canada, this day marks the anniversary of the murders in 1989 of 14 young women at l'École Polytechnique de Montréal. They died because they were women.

There is an event is planned for Thursday, December 6 at Barrie City Hall Rotunda from 6-7:30 pm. I encourage all members to seek out and attend events in their communities marking this National Day of Remembrance.



Tampou Tuesday

Is the collection of feminine hygiene products for those in shelters. Collection will be held at The Simmering Kettle on Bryne Drive on Tuesday, December 11 from 5-8.

If individuals, school communities or social justice clubs want to collect and donate they can bring items to the Unit Office, or email me to arrange pick up prior to December 10th.

Looking Ahead to 2019



The most frequently asked question when visiting schools over the past month was regarding the upcoming round of bargaining.

If you've been at all attuned to what has been happening in the province over the past few months you may have some sense that this round of bargaining may present some challenges.

Right now there is a degree of uncertainty about what the coming year holds. The best advice right now is to be financially conservative with your personal expenditures and work on putting monies away in a rainy day fund.

From OTIP: Your path to a stress-free holiday season!



The Holidays are a time to spend with family, friends and loved ones but it can also be very stressful. Between finding the perfect gifts, cooking the traditional turkey with fixings and accommodating everyone's get togethers, it's no wonder the holidays can be overwhelming.

Here are our top 5 ways to beat the holiday stress this season.

To learn more, visit www.otipinsurance.com/article29

Local Communications and Website Update

Accounts are currently being created for all Secondary teachers who have not yet accessed our local [OECTA Simcoe Muskoka Website](#). Once the accounts have been made you will receive an email providing your credentials (user name/email and password). This email will also outline the steps to have the emails sent to your OECTASM account forwarded to another personal email, how to change your password and where to update your personal information.

I expect these emails will be going out over the next few weeks. To not conflict with the creation of the remaining accounts I will not be creating individual accounts "on demand". If however you have an account, but can't recall your credentials—please contact me as I can continue to address these issues while we work to get everyone onto the platform.

PLEASE POST FOR ALL OECTA MEMBERS