

Memo # 29

To: OECTA Secondary Teachers

From: Michele MacDonald

Re: WebExperience - Interview Skills; Summer Institutes; lump sum payment

1. OECTA's Professional Development Department will be hosting an exclusive Interview Skills WebExperience workshop. The session will run twice, in advance of the opportunities for next school year:

Thursday, June 24 from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 15 from 9:00-12:00 p.m.

The Interactive session will provide participants with the opportunity to participate collaboratively in reviewing and discussing effective responses to interview questions about curriculum, classroom management, special education and what it means to be a Catholic Teacher. Resources, tips and strategies will be shared to assist in preparing responses that are rooted in best practice and the unique experiences of each participant.

Registration for these sessions is required. Registration will occur on a first come basis. Interested members can access registration at <http://www.cvent.com/d/mgqzq6>. The sessions will be recorded and available on the website for future on-demand viewing.

OECTA's website www.catholicteachers.ca has a complete list of OECTA's WebExperience offerings.

2. OECTA, through Ministry of Education funding, is offering once again Summer Institutes and some one-day workshops. These will be offered in Kindergarten, Mental Health & Well-being and Technology and scheduled throughout July and August. Sessions will take place in various regions (Barrie being one of them) across the province. Most will be offered in person, however, new this year will be some on-line sessions.

A complete list and description of offerings is available on the provincial website www.catholicteachers.ca. Registrants will receive email confirmation one week prior to their scheduled session, confirming location as well as start and end times. If sufficient registrations are not received, a workshop will be cancelled. Registrants will be notified of any session cancellations via email.

A maximum subsidy of \$200 is available to participants for expenses.

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3. The lump sum payments have been processed on the May 31st pay. As previous emails indicated teachers were to check the list posted on our website - www.oectasimcoemuskoka.on.ca - to see if their name appeared on the list. Only those eligible for grid movement in September of 2014 were eligible for the lump sum payment, it was not for every teacher.
If you did not receive the payment and your name did not appear on the list posted to our website and you were eligible for grid movement in September of 2014 please contact me at the Unit office.



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