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## Did You Know? PEITF Courses

The PEITF has a selection of 3-semester hour courses that may be offered for those looking to upgrade from a Certificate IV to a Certificate V or towards an upgrade from a Certificate V to a VA. A maximum of five of these courses to a maximum of fifteen (15) credit hours may be applied toward upgrading. These courses are sponsored by the Prince Edward Island Teachers' Federation and approved by the Certification and Standards Board. These courses require a minimum number of participants to operate and are offered once interest is sufficient.

If you are interested in taking a PEITF course, or for more information, contact Chad Gallant <a href="mailto:chad.gallant@peitf.com">chad.gallant@peitf.com</a>

### **CONTACT 2017**

PEITF is hosting Contact 2017 – August 8 - 11<sup>th</sup> and we need your help! Are you interested in serving on the organizing committee to plan this fantastic and fun learning event?

Applicants must be available on the above listed dates. If you are interested, please send an expression of interest to Chad Gallant <a href="mailto:chad.gallant@peitf.com">chad.gallant@peitf.com</a>

Limited committee spots are available.

### **Christmas Magic**

Each year, the Guardian produces a special Christmas Greeting edition – and in the past the children's memories that were submitted were a part of this edition. If your students are interested in participating, entries must be submitted by December 14<sup>th</sup> at noon. Check out our Facebook page for the poster and more information.

#### **GoodLife Fitness Offer to PEITF Members**

As a PEI Teachers' Federation member, you have access to a preferred national corporate rate for a GoodLife Fitness Membership of \$19.19 plus tax Bi-Weekly or \$449.00 plus tax for the year.

After you sign up, you may also purchase up to 4 additional GoodLife Fitness Corporate Memberships for eligible family members, all for the same low rate per person.

This is approximately 44% off our regular rates.

GoodLife Fitness Corporate Membership offers:

- National access to all GoodLife Fitness clubs in Canada (including Énergie Cardio in Quebec)
- Towel service, where available
- Membership dues are paid to GoodLife Fitness bi-weekly through pre-authorized bank payments (plus applicable taxes)

https://corporate.goodlifefitness.com/DomainAuthenticate.aspx?p=480&guid=338da083-a3d8-4337-957d-e19695e7f2e3

(This link is available in the members' area of the PEITF website (peitf.com), under Teacher Discount Program.)

## **BRICKS 4 KIDZ is Hiring**

They are looking for two or three part-time instructors and one full-time manager.

Bricks 4 Kidz is an innovative educational program teaching children about STEM using LEGO Bricks! We are currently looking for one part-time instructor for the Central Queens area, one for Summerside and one for West Prince. Part-time instructors would be primarily responsible for 1 to 5 one hour after-school classes a week and, if interested, may have opportunities to teach workshops, preschool classes and/or birthday parties. We are also looking to hire one full-time manager for at least a six month term with the possibility of a permanent position. The full-time position will be based out of our home office in Scotchfort.

### Applicants must:

- \*have experience and enjoy working with children ages 3-13 in groups of 15-20
- \*have reliable transportation and willing to do some travel
- \*be on time and have an excellent work ethic
- \*have great organization skills
- \*be available during the hours of 2:00 4:30pm at least 3 weekdays/week (for part-time)
- \*be available for 37.5 hours/week on a flexible schedule (for full-time)

The successful applicant must provide a criminal background check and sign a non-disclosure agreement.

Compensation will be \$25/hour of instructional time for the part-time positions and \$14.50/hour for 37.5 hours a week for the full-time position.

Applications can be made by email to ajadis@bricks4kidz.com.

## Leadership Position Available – Deputy Secretary General Canadian Teachers' Federation

The Canadian Teachers' Federation (CTF) is seeking an educational leader to join its team in the pivotal role of Deputy Secretary General. Collaborating with and reporting to the CTF Secretary General, the Deputy Secretary General is a key member of the CTF leadership team.

The ideal candidate will be an experienced teacher and educational leader who is:

- a strong advocate for high-quality publicly-funded public education;
- an experienced and collaborative leader who has administered programs successfully and supervised staff in effective, respectful, and inspiring ways;
- very familiar with teacher organizations across Canada and abroad;
- experienced in human resources; strategic planning; program development and implementation;
- able to respond to the direction of the CTF Executive Committee and Board of Directors as well as the needs of CTF Member organizations, while also working with partner organizations and government representatives;
- an outstanding communicator;
- dedicated to social justice and equality;
- a resourceful, creative and strategic thinker, able to make sound decisions under pressure;
- highly organized;
- eager to be part of the CTF leadership team.

Additional consideration may be given to candidates who are bilingual (English/French) and/or possess a relevant Master's degree.

Responsibilities will include, but not be limited to:

 regular collaboration with the Secretary General regarding the overall direction, coordination, staffing, monitoring and reporting of the CTF and its initiatives;

<sup>\*</sup>experience with office management and book-keeping is an asset for the full-time position

<sup>\*</sup>bilingualism is an asset, but not required

<sup>\*</sup>enjoy math, science and technology

- the provision of excellent advice and guidance to the Secretary General and, as called upon, to the President, the Executive Committee, and the Board of Directors or Committees of the Board on policy formulation, internal operations and procedures, programs and services, and any matters requiring the attention or action of those concerned;
- the supervision and administration of one or more CTF Program/Service areas; management of various CTF projects and initiatives; budgets; human resources; the CTF Employees' Pension Plan; and other duties as assigned by the Secretary General.

The position is on a personal service contract that comes with a competitive salary and a full range of benefits. Duties begin June 1, 2017, and include a transition period with the incumbent (who is retiring in July 31, 2017).

CTF welcomes applications from people with disabilities. Accommodations are available on request for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process.

Interested candidates are invited to submit a cover letter and résumé, along with the names and contact details of two references, to CTF Secretary General Cassandra Hallett DaSilva electronically via Sandra Lane, Executive Assistant at slane@ctf-fce.ca

All applications must be received no later than noon on Friday, February 24, 2017.

# Canadian Teachers' Federation Online lesson plans on Mental Health now available!

If you're a registered Imagineaction teacher, simply "sign in" at <a href="www.imagine-action.ca">www.imagine-action.ca</a>, click on "Teacher resources", bottom left column, and then select Mental Health Stigma: Challenging it Together! NEW. You can choose between the elementary or secondary lesson plans (or both!) as well as select the discussion questions. Should you decide to initiate a project with your students tied to mental health, send us a project application and you may be eligible for a \$300 subsidy.

If you're not yet registered as an Imagineaction teacher, visit <a href="www.imagine-action.ca">www.imagine-action.ca</a> and follow the instructions. It's simple and free. Join the 2,200+ teachers already registered with <a href="Imagineaction">Imagineaction</a>!

# Teachers Institute on Canadian Parliamentary Democracy

#### What is the Teachers Institute?

The Teachers Institute is an intensive professional development opportunity where you will...

- learn from political, procedural and pedagogical experts;
- discuss key issues in citizenship and parliamentary democracy

- develop strategies for teaching Parliament, democracy, governance and citizenship; and
- take what you learn back to your classroom.

### **Program Highlights**

- Meet parliamentarians, including the Speakers of the Senate and the House of Commons.
- Hear from parliamentary experts, senior parliamentary officials, journalists and lobbyists.
- Receive important resource materials that support teaching about Parliament, governance, democracy and citizenship.
- See Parliament in action.

### For More information visit

http://www.lop.parl.gc.ca/About/Parliament/Education/teachers-institute-e.html

Application deadline April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

### **Empower Your Classroom for Better Learning Outcomes**

Learning is changing. Students today need the ability to collaborate, communicate and demonstrate flexibility in how they solve problems so they can thrive and achieve their goals. As an educator, you deserve the best tools for teaching and learning. Our mission is to support you in the best way possible.

BrunNet offers free resources to educators on our education portal, courtesy of Microsoft. You can read about how digital inking can positively impact learning, get ideas on how to create dynamic learning experiences using free tools, or get a list of the top 100 education apps on Windows.

http://www.brunnet.com/education/tools-and-resources/

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