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Congratulations to our Retirees!



QPAT / The Personal laPersonnelle Partnership

QPAT has recently partnered with The Personal la Personnelle to offer preferential rates on home and auto insurance. You will be getting a whole pile of information in the fall, but if your insurance renewal date is coming up and you want to see what kind of rates la Personnelle can offer, give them a call at: 514-350-1637

Be sure to tell whomever you speak with that you are a QPAT member and belong to the ATA.

YOUR PERSONAL CONNECTION...
...TO YOUR HOME, AUTO AND
BUSINESS INSURANCE



Congratulations to

Gaétan Beaulieu	Lennoxville Elementary
Debra Bell	Lennoxville Vocational
Louise Boudreau	St-Francis
Nicole Duranceau	Sutton
Mary Edwards-Lee	Parkview
Darlene Keenan	Richmond Regional
Ingrid Mamers	Knowlton
Maureen Murphy	Lennoxville Vocational
Shannon Whipple	Lennoxville Vocational

We wish you well as you enter a new phase of your life. Thank you for all you have done to further our children's education and development. Now you will wake up in the morning with no preps on your minds, no marking to be done, or phone calls home to be made... All you need to think about is the new day dawning before you and the endless possibilities it offers! Fare well!



*“Just living is not enough...
one must have sunshine,
freedom, and a little flower.”*

-Hans Christian Anderson

ATA Executive Committee 2017 - 2018

- President - Megan Seline
- Treasurer - Marty Roberts
- Secretary - April Blampied
- High School Vice-President (MVHS) - Peter Maingot
- High School Vice-President (RRHS) - Sylvie Fortier
- High School Vice-President (AGRHS) - Mathieu Michaud
- Elementary School Vice-President (AGRHS cluster) - vacant
- Elementary School Vice-President (RRHS cluster) - Marie-Michele Fradet
- Elementary School Vice-President (MVHS cluster) - Liane Flynn
- Adult Education Vice-President - Megan Maclean
- Vocational Training Vice-President - Ghislain Gravel
- Member at Large (MVHS & cluster) - Barbra Plouffe
- Member at Large (RRHS & cluster) - Aaron Corey
- Member at Large (AGRHS & cluster) - Alana Russell

Thank you for your service to your colleagues!

President's Prose



It's been a busy year with non-stop action on any front you'd care to name. I'd like to say a huge "Thank You" to all of you who supported the Union by volunteering your time and energy to represent your colleagues. Enjoy a well-deserved summer break!

Cheers,
megan

Short Notes

Payment of Sick Days – This is the first year that sick days will be paid out at the end of the year. If you are lucky enough to have some left, look for them on your July 15 pay!

Teacher Federal Tax Credit – Don't forget that the Federal government has established a new tax credit of up to \$1000 for teachers who reach into their pockets to pay for classroom items. Keep your receipts so you can claim them on next year's taxes.

Reminders about Insurance Coverage for Retirees and Part-time Teachers

Part-time teachers whose contracts expired prior to June 1st will cease to be covered as of the last day for which premiums have been paid.

Part time teachers whose contracts expire on June 1st or later will be covered until September 30th, 2017. This is to ensure insurance continuity should they be rehired. If they are rehired, extra premiums will be deducted to cover any premiums that may be missing. If they are not rehired, no action will be taken to recover the lost premiums.

Retiring teachers will be covered until August 31st as in the past. They should be enrolled in the retiree plan as of September 1st.

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Local Negotiations

Despite the best efforts of the Negotiations Committee, we did not end up with a new Local Agreement at the end of the school year. The Committee and the ETSB met five times, but there are still a couple of clauses on which they did not meet eye-to-eye. Negotiations will resume in the fall, and the current agreement will remain in force until a new contract is signed.

Links of Interest

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| • QPAT | http://www.qpat-apeq.qc.ca | 1-800-361-9870 |
| • Parental Insurance Plan | www.rqap.gouv.qc.ca | 1-888-610-7727 |
| • Quebec Pension Plan | www.rrq.gouv.qc.ca | 1-800-463-5185 |
| • CARRA | www.carra.gouv.qc.ca | 1-800-463-5533 |
| • MELS | www.meq.gouv.qc.ca | 1-866-747-6626 |
| • Industrial Alliance | www.inalco.com | 1-800-363-3540 |
| • Strathcona Credit Union | | 1-888-350-5111 |

Have a wonderful summer!