

To: ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local Members
From: Craig Smith, President, ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local (ETFO TVTL)
Date: April 4, 2025
Regarding: **Information on Student Vote Canada**

Email to Local Presidents sent on behalf of Sharon O'Halloran, General Secretary, ETFO Provincial:

Presidents, as you know, Student Vote Canada is a hands-on learning program for grades 4 to twelve in which students can experience the voting process firsthand, in parallel with the federal election on April 28.

By registering, schools will receive:

- Ready-to-use teaching resources on government, democracy, and elections
- Engaging campaign tools including Party Leader Q&A videos, a special youth edition of *Vote Compass*, and easy-to-understand summaries of party platforms
- Official voting materials such as ballots, ballot boxes, and voting screens to hold a parallel vote with your students on your local candidates

Schools may register for this free program at www.studentvote.ca or call 1-866-488-8775. If you have an opportunity to share this information with members in an upcoming local communication, I encourage you to do so.

More than 5000 schools across Canada have already registered for Student Vote Canada. To check if a school has already registered for the program, members may use the following link: <https://studentvote.ca/reports/canada2025>.

Thank you!

For more information regarding this *Communiqué* please contact the Local office by phone at 519-474-3150, or by email at etfotvtl@etfothamesvalley.com