

To: ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local Members
From: Craig Smith, President, ETFO Thames Valley Teacher Local (ETFO TVTL)
Date: April 25, 2025
Regarding: **Weekly Update 29 / Federal Political Action Update 5**

The 45th General Election: What Has Been Shared

Links to the following information regarding the 45th General Election have been sent to all Teachers:

- Detailed information about when, how, and where to vote will be found through the Elections Canada website.
- Websites of the four (4) federal political parties represented in the House of Commons, and their respective and platforms.
- Student Vote Canada.
- A list of nominated candidates of political parties regionally represented in the House of Commons.
- ETFO Provincial's Federal Election Key Messages.
- Specific information regarding advance poll locations and voting times.

Election Day is Monday, April 28. Polls are open from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. It's your right to be heard. Have your say. Vote.

Rally to Protect Canadian Jobs

The following message is from Lana Payne, the National President of Unifor:

Sisters, Brothers, and Friends of the Labour Movement,

As I assured you earlier this month, I would call on your support when the time came to mobilize. I'm pleased to share details of a first rally in Windsor, Ontario.

We invite you to join us as we take action.

On **Saturday, April 26, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. E.T.**, we will be holding a **[Protect Canadian Jobs rally](#)** in **Windsor, Ontario** to make our collective voices heard. This is not just about the auto sector - this is a fight to protect Canadian jobs in every industry, for every worker.

When: Saturday, April 26, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

Where: Riverfront Festival Plaza, Windsor, ON

If there's anything we can do to support your participation or help amplify your efforts, please don't hesitate to reach out to me or my Executive Assistant, Roxanne Dubois, at Roxanne.Dubois@unifor.org.

Thank you once again for your ongoing solidarity. This is just the beginning, and we hope you'll stand with us to send a clear, united message: protect Canadian jobs!

The Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan (OTPP) and Current Canada-US Relations

Accompanying this update is a link to OTPP information regarding the status of the pension plan considering current Canada-US relations.

Upcoming Events

- Red Dress Day – Beading Workshop – May 5, 2025 – FULL
- ETFO Evening of the Arts – Space still available for Improv
- Workplace Stewards' Meeting – May 21, 2025
- ETFO Golf Tournament – May 24, 2025

Communication Protocol

Teachers are reminded that the **Communication Protocol** remains in effect, **from** Friday, April 25 at 6:00 p.m. **until** Sunday, April 27 at 6:00 p.m.

The Board's **Disconnecting from Work Employee Procedure** came into effect on Thursday, June 2 in compliance with the **Working for Workers Act, 2021**.

Violations of the **Communication Protocol** and the **TVDSB Disconnecting from Work Procedure** must be reported to the Local office immediately.

Duty of the Local

- Defend the **Collective Agreement** and the rights of Teachers under it.
- Ensure that the provisions of the **Occupational Health and Safety Act** are enforced.
- Bring to the attention of TVDSB ongoing Teacher concerns, with the expectation that these concerns will be taken seriously and resolved quickly.
- Communicate with Teachers in a clear, concise, and timely manner

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