



ETFO Steward Information



May 2025

Please direct your members to the ETFO website to find the Stewards' Mailing Cover Memo and its links: members.etfo.ca -> Publications -> **Stewards' Mailings**.

To change the number of members at your work site contact: Member Records, 1-888-838-3836, memberrecords@etfo.org.

This mailing is also available in PDF format. This month's PDF file is a 2 MB download.

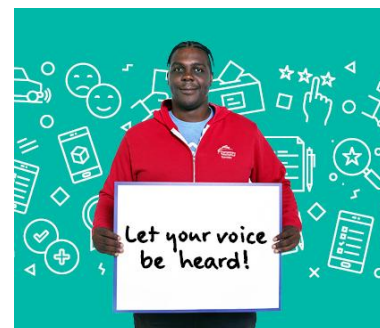
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Central Bargaining Survey – Getting Ready for 2026

ETFO collective agreements expire on August 31, 2026, and ETFO is already preparing for the next round of bargaining.

To find out what's important to members, ETFO has launched a province-wide bargaining survey. Links to complete the survey were sent to members from Strategic Communications (Stratcom) on May 5.

Members who did not receive a link should email cbssurvey@etfo.org. Encourage your colleagues to complete the survey today – we are stronger together!



ETFO AQ course registration - Summer 2025

ETFO AQ courses continue to offer focused, current, and practical courses built on a strong foundation of professional learning and community. Check with your board about any subsidies that might be available to you for AQ courses.

Posters:

[Building a community of shared learning Math is Everywhere](#)

Summer registration closes on June 17.

Courses begin on July 2, 2025. Visit etfo-aq.ca to register.



Promises Unfulfilled

ETFO's new position paper, **[Promises Unfulfilled: Addressing the Special Education Crisis in Ontario](#)**, is a call to action that includes 27 recommendations for how to help fix a special education system that is failing Ontario's children with disabilities and now includes a chapter summary series.

Please find the chapter summary series along with a poster enclosed to share with members. You can find the full report, executive summary and the chapter summary series on our [website](https://etfo.ca) and take action at buildingbetterschools.ca.



Violence Prevention Checklists

Are there protections in place to keep you safe from being harmed by violent workplace incidents?

The **ETFO Action on Violence Toolkit** has **three new checklists** - for all ETFO members, for occasional/temporary/ itinerant ETFO members, and for ETFO health and safety representatives.

These checklists can be used to make sure you are protected, to get the information needed at the beginning of a temporary assignment, to conduct health and safety inspections, and to advocate at the joint health and safety committee.

For more information, contact Elizabeth Mitchell in Health and Safety Services at emitchell@etfo.org.



Summer Academy Registration is open!

Summer Academy offers 34 courses throughout July and August. A wide range of three-day courses are available.

Be sure to check out the **Summer Academy website** for more information and upcoming registration details. Member login is required to access the website.

For general inquiries and questions, please email sacademy@etfo.org.



Teaching Together 2026

Since 1962, **Teaching Together** (formerly Project Overseas) has assisted teacher organizations in over 50 countries in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, and the Caribbean. ETFO teacher members who are interested in applying are encouraged to visit the **Teaching Together** page on the ETFO member secure site for more information.



The 2026 application package and submission deadline will be posted in mid-August.

Tell Us What You Think!

We want to hear your thoughts and insights on how to support your role as a workplace steward better. Please take three minutes to complete a brief ETFO survey today.

Your feedback on resources, needs, and the monthly mailing is crucial in helping us better meet your needs and strengthen our union!

To participate and send your feedback, visit surveymonkey.com/r/ETFOStewardFeedback-25.

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