

President's Newsletter



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March the 1st seemed like a good day to have a President's Newsletter! It seems as though Winter Break was both just yesterday and far too long ago all at the same time...hang in there, teachers, Spring Break is just around the corner, and it can't come quick enough. Here are a few things I wanted to update you on this week.



- 1. ProD Reimbursements We are getting ProD reimbursements caught up after the whirlwind of preparation leading up to our ProD day. Thank you for being patient with us!
- 2. MTU Email Addresses You may have noticed that you have received email from the MTU that is not from our regular email address. We have been experiencing problems with our Shaw Webmail and have temporarily re-routed our email to Gmail. We are working on transferring our MTU email accounts to Microsoft 365 and hope to complete this over Spring Break. If you have any concerns about the legitimacy of an email you receive from the MTU, please call us at 604-826-0112 and we will be happy to verify its authenticity. My apologies for any confusion.
- 3. Restraint and Seclusion Form Please be sure to fill out a Restraint and Seclusion form if a situation arises where you had physical contact with a student, and try not to have any physical contact with your students. Even a friendly pat on the shoulder or head can be misinterpreted and may result in an investigation. Be safe and err on the side of caution the form can protect you and you should use it.
- 4. Be sure to check the email address you have registered with the BCTF and fill out the Provincial Bargaining Survey these were sent to a random sample of all of the teachers in the province. The more of us that participate, the better information the Bargaining Conference will have to make decisions on the bargaining priorities for next year.
- 5. Lastly, please scan the QR code on the next page for the survey on our District ProD Day your feedback is essential for the ProD Committee to plan for next year. Thanks to everyone who made the day a success and especially to our MTU Staff Meaghan, Jessica, and Sue who made everything happen behind the scenes!

Hang in there, my friends – Spring Break is just around the corner and with it the freedom to rest and relax. We can do this – we are teachers and our superpowers are infinite!

Shannon Bowsfield







PLEASE SCAN THIS QR CODE
AND LET US KOW HOW YOUR DAY WENT

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