

# South Okanagan Similkameen Teachers' Union

## Members' Responsibility with Certificates & TRB

Did you read in the news about the 100+ teachers in BC who have had their teaching certificates suspended recently?

Those teachers missed important correspondence from the Teacher Regulation Branch (TRB) about maintaining their certificates.

**Prevent this from happening to you!**

The TRB communicates with teachers via your contact information that they have on file and it is **YOUR responsibility to keep that information up to date.**

Log-in to your TRB Account to update your contact information, tell them if you change your name, and more.

And please note, the emails from the TRB will likely go to your Junk, Spam, or Other inboxes, so check those periodically to avoid missing a critical email from the TRB.

**ATTENTION!**

Please remember to update your Contact Information with the Ministry of Ed and Child Care.

Or at the very least, go to website and check your contact info!

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### Maintain your B.C. teaching certificate

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**Update your information**

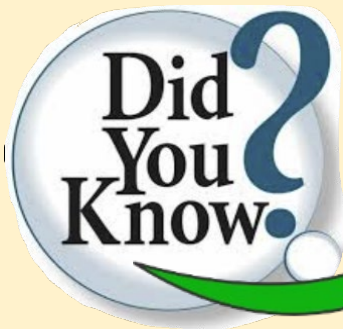
[Update your contact information](#)

Use [Your Account](#) to keep your contact information up to date

[Tell us about your name change](#)

Complete and submit the name change form to update our records

*Keeping your contact information and your name up to date will help ensure you don't miss communication from the TRB that might lead to your teaching certificate being suspended*



## SOSTU President Nominations Open for Next Year

- If interested, a nomination form for the position of president is attached to this newsletter and must be submitted to [sostu@telus.net](mailto:sostu@telus.net) by Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026
- Complete the Subject line with "Attention - Nomination for President"
- This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> call for nominations for the position of SOSTU President. There will be 3 calls (emails) for nominations during the next 2 weeks. It is also posted on the website for this time: March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 15<sup>th</sup> (as per constitution)
- **President Election Timeline:**
  - Nomination Period: Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>
  - Candidate Forum (if required): one both sides of mountain / April 20<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> (TBD)
  - Voting Period (if required): April 26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> (paper ballot - school by school)
  - \* If only one candidate, then that candidate will be acclaimed
- Our Constitution states SOSTU must elect its president in April before the executive positions
- Other SOSTU positions will be determined by / at May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026 AGM