

South Okanagan Similkameen Teachers' Union

Newsflash

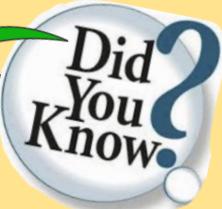
- BCTF and BCPSEA next bargaining day on Tuesday January 13th
 - 2 more days just announced Jan 19 & Jan 29
- **SOSTU General Meeting Thursday January 15 @** office or by Zoom - Link will be provided next week
- 2nd set of school visits to discuss barg continue next week (TUC, OES, SESS & SOSS completed)

Provincial Bargaining News

BCTF has narrowed down our barg objectives to these areas:

- Further improvements to salary – particularly the low end of grid
- Improvements to prep time
- Educational and curricular change language to address teacher workload
- Enhancing provisions within LOU 12 – counsellor ratios, Grade 4-12 class size, class complexity and remedy
- Address inequities for adult educators

Members, log into the BCTF portal to view the concessions (E) proposals and union (U) proposals



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BCPSEA states there is no money!

Why not teachers?
BCGEU and HEU had more money given to the bargaining table and these amounts of money were NOT given to the teachers' table.



SOSTU General Meeting Thursday, Jan 15

Notice of Policy Change

- Provincial Bargaining Update (Ernie)
- Local Strike Vote Process (Natasha)
- Motion on local strike pay plan recommended by the executive (Joel)
- Possible Job Action Plan (Ernie)
- Elect BCTF AGM delegates (2) for BCTF AGM March 14-17 2026 in Vancouver