

SAC Provincial Newsletter

May 2021



Message From SAC President

Dear SAC Membership,

It is hard to believe the number of challenges that we have faced and overcome since March 19, 2020. As Administrators and Program Specialists we have been asked to reorganize and restructure the way students receive information and the method by which teachers must deliver curriculum each and every day. As a Principal, I am proud to say that we continue to overcome these obstacles and offer the students of our province quality academic delivery and social emotional support.

It is a great honour and privilege to serve as President of SAC. We have a hard-working executive on a provincial level and you are also served extremely well by your ten regional councils. One must always be mindful that each of the groups of people that comprise your special interest councils are working on a voluntary basis. The efforts that are put into advocacy for the members, as well as the aim of providing valuable professional learning, are put in beyond normal working hours. It is for this reason that I encourage you to become familiar with the people who are serving you on a regional and provincial level. Each and every concern that has come forward from our regions has been brought to our provincial executive.



Contained within this newsletter is a list of members. We have also worked hard to update our website so you receive the most up-to-date information from our council. That site can be found right here: <http://sacsic.nlta.ca/>

In closing I encourage our members to follow us on Twitter @SACProvincial and to avail of the professional learning session being offered on May 27, 2021. Efforts have been made by SAC Provincial to focus our energies on giving back to our members this year in an effort

to unify our group in times when we need to share a common voice for our own wellness and professional efficiency. Tweet a picture with your SAC Provided Notebook for a chance to win a \$50 VISA Gift card. Register for the Virtual SAC Provincial Conference and hear the messages of our NLTA Administrative Officers and renowned speaker George Couros.

Thank you all for your commitment to educational excellence and the students and educators in this great province,

Dale Lambe
SAC President (Provincial)

PL Session- Save the Date

We encourage all administrators and Program Specialists to book their calendars for *Thursday, May 27th*. The day will feature practical sessions for Administrators that will be facilitated by NLTA Administrative Officers. We are also excited to

announce that SAC has confirmed a one hour virtual PL during this conference with George Couros.



George Couros is a worldwide leader in the area of innovative teaching, learning, and leading, and has a focus on innovation as a human endeavor. His belief that meaningful change happens when you first connect to people's hearts, is modeled in his writing and speaking. In his 20 plus years in the field of education, he has worked at all levels of school, from

K-12 as a teacher, technology facilitator, and school and district administrator, and is currently an Adjunct Instructor with the Graduate School of Education at the University of Pennsylvania. George is also the author of the book, *The Innovator's Mindset; Empower Learning, Unleash Talent, and Lead a Culture of Creativity*, and his latest book, *Innovate Inside the Box*.

The registration link can be found here: <https://forms.gle/gPPcJMn7B6NrDEey5>

Registration deadline will be Monday, May 17, 2021.

SAC Annual Awards

Each and every year, SAC, along with their partners the Canadian Association of Principals (CAP), sponsor three awards: Distinguished Principal of the Year, Distinguished Assistant Principal of the Year and the Student Leadership Award. These awards will be presented this year on May 27, 2021 at our virtual Provincial Conference. If you have anyone who you feel is deserving of such an award in the future, please keep an eye out for the application on our SAC Website or through Twitter @SACProvincial. The deadline for 2022 Awards will be **February 1, 2022**. Attached is a list of the 2019-20 winners. Please note that the 2020-21 Application Process is now closed.

SAC PROVINCIAL AWARDS 2020-21

DISTINGUISHED PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR (CO-WINNERS)	VICE-PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR	STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD
		
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HEATHER HANLON ST. CATHERINE'S ACADEMY, ST. CATHERINE'S		

The following link will take you to SAC Provincial Awards 2020-21 application Forms and deadlines
https://docs.google.com/document/d/e/2PACX-1vS9CKe2Ar8chQqtQRedoXukeiZG-J4GT888y_z5RmORNUAx9ax-6foc20wDI_RAcFQTrRbcGuKxwF35u/pub



SAC Website

Our SAC Provincial website has been revamped. We encourage you to visit <http://sacsic.nlta.ca/> to explore resources that are aimed to make you aware of our structures and the benefits that membership can offer you.

Membership

How do I become a member?

Those hired as School Administrators and/or Program Specialists with the NLESD become automatic members with automatic deduction. This is done twice a year, first payment is \$35, then there is another deduction of \$15.

To withdraw membership you can choose to “Opt Out”. You are required to contact the current SAC Provincial President to opt out.

How do I know if I am a member?

If you are a member, you should be receiving correspondence such as emails and/or newsletters, as this is how the executive normally communicates with its members. Check with Christina Hearn via email christinahearn@nlesd.ca if you would like to check your status or update your email address.

When I retire, is my membership automatically cancelled?

Retirees continue to be valued members of our association and are encouraged to maintain their membership. If you would like to discontinue your membership upon retirement, you should notify the President of SAC via email dalelambe@nlesd.ca . As of 2016, the annual fee for a retired member is \$25. You can pay your membership fee via paypal. To remain a member please complete the membership application form found on the website.

Canadian Association of Principals

SAC is pleased to be working in partnership with CAP. Our current President is Christina Pike, Principal of Macdonald Drive Junior High. As SAC President, Dale Lambe also represents our province. We encourage you to go into the CAP website (<https://cdnprincipals.com/>) and join the "Members Only" section for regular feedback and opportunities from this association. Newfoundland and Labrador have had a historically high degree of engagement with this website.

National Conference 2022

uLead and the Canadian Association of Principals will hold a joint conference *April 10-12, 2022*. The theme for this conference is "Reimagining School Leadership". For more information please visit <http://www.ulead.ca/Welcome.html> .

SAC Session for Prospective Administrators

SAC Provincial is proud to host an open session for teachers entitled "The Positive Impact of Working as an Administrator." This will take place at 4:00PM on Wednesday, June 9, 2021. The session is aimed to provide useful information for teachers who are interested in educational leadership. For more information, please e-mail dalelambe@nlesd.ca or check us out on Twitter @SACProvincial.

SAC Survey

We would like to thank the 225 Administrators who took time out of their busy days to complete our survey. Results from this survey will be analyzed by SAC Provincial and will serve as our focus in 2021-22. Results will be made public in June.

SAC Provincial Executive

The following is a list of the 2020-22 SAC Provincial Executive who are proud to be serving you:

President: Dale Lambe, Villanova Junior High, CBS, NL

Past President: Christina Pike, Macdonald Junior High, St. John's, NL

Vice-President: Todd Crane, Immaculate Conception, Colliers, NL

Secretary: Linda Hart, St. John Bosco, Shea Heights, NL

Treasurer: Leanne Morrisey, St. Andrew's Elementary, St. John's, NL

Communications: Nancy Healey, Hazelwood Elementary, St. John's, NL

Engagement: Christina Hearn, Amalgamated Academy, Bay Roberts, NL

Members At-Large:

Wallace Childs, Bayview Academy, St. George's, NL

Krista Vokey, Gonzaga High, St. John's, NL

Neil Kearley, Ascension Collegiate, Bay Roberts, NL

Jennifer White, Mealy Mountain Collegiate, Happy Valley-Goose Bay, NL