

**New Teachers' Conferences 2024-25  
CALL FOR WORKSHOP PROPOSALS**



***Cross-Pollination***

The British Columbia Teachers' Federation (BCTF) will be hosting two New Teachers' Conference this year. One regional conference in Nanaimo and one Metro conference in Vancouver. The conferences are designed specifically for teachers and teachers teaching on call in their first five (5) years of teaching, as well as teacher candidates.

**Saturday February 7-8, 2025**

Coast Coal Harbour Vancouver Hotel  
1180 W Hastings St  
Vancouver, BC V6E 4R5

**Saturday May 9-10, 2025**

Coast Bastion Hotel Nanaimo  
11 Bastion Street  
Nanaimo, BC V9R 6E4

**Responsibilities of the facilitators**

- Select one or both of the conferences where you would like to offer a workshop(s).
- Select, prepare and present a **75-minute workshop** or an extended **150-minute workshop**.  
**Note:** extended 150-minute workshops will be offered for hands-on, arts-based activities or off-site, land-based sessions that require additional time. Please note if they require any specific considerations (e.g., accessibility, waterproof clothing, etc.) and costs (e.g., transportation, specialized materials, etc.).
- Have experience as a workshop facilitator, have expertise in the content area, and is comfortable with the theme.

**IMPORTANT NOTES**

1. Facilitators will not receive an honorarium.
2. Facilitators will not receive any Zoom training prior to the conference (in the unlikely event that it switches to a virtual conference).
3. The selection of workshops will be made early November, and you will be contacted by email to confirm your workshop.
4. Preference will be given to facilitators who are BCTF members and Provincial Specialist Associations.
5. Preference will be given to workshops that support the conference theme (***Cross-Pollination***). **This conference explores themes involving the cross-pollination of multiple literacies, land-based education, and climate justice across public education.**
6. Due to high attendance, some rooms will be set up in a classroom style.

7. Expenses will be reimbursed for **ONLY one (1) facilitator** (Leave of Absence Request (LOA), travel, per diem and accommodation, if applicable).
8. Breakfast, lunch, and snacks will be provided during the in-person event.
9. The AV system uses HDMI cables. If your device does not have an HDMI connection, you must bring a dongle that connects to the HDMI cable. Dongles will not be provided.
10. Please be aware that if you are currently on leave from your district, participation is not permitted to ensure that your leave status is not affected. We encourage you to explore future opportunities once your leave has concluded.

**Workshop content areas — topics that are of high interest to new teachers includes, but are not limited to:**

- Aboriginal Education
- AI and technology
- Anti-racism and anti-oppression
- Classroom environment
- Climate action
- Controversial issues
- Curriculum related topics
- Early career teachers and the union
- French language workshops
- Health and safety issues
- Inclusive education
- Literacy (in all areas), arts, and media
- Professional issues
- Social Justice
- Work/life balance

**Please submit your application [HERE](#)**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:  
Monday, October 21, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.**