



## 2023/2024 Advisory Committee for Inclusive Education

### Expression of Interest Notice

September 22, 2023

In 2006 an update was made to the Ministry of Education's Special Education policy framework to clearly articulate the principle of inclusion; the Union realizes that while inclusion is important it may not look the same for every student. The Union also believes that there should not be barriers to a student's access to a safe and healthy learning environment and that the pursuit of equal opportunities for our diverse student demographic should be something we strive for. [Inclusive Education Resources](#) for BC has information that may be of interest as well as the [Special Education Policy Manual](#) for BC.

Local 411 is looking for five (5) members, preferably one (1) from each site/department:

1. Elementary School
2. Middle School
3. Secondary School
4. Alternate Education
5. Indigenous Education

This is a District initiated committee and any time spent attending these meetings is strictly volunteer. Members sitting on this committee must be mindful of the Union's collective agreement language and not promote or condone practices that could potentially harm the Union. Members who do sit on this committee will be expected to report back on the work they are doing and can do so either individually or rotate that responsibility through each attending member after each meeting.

Please submit an email to [unionoffice@cupe411.ca](mailto:unionoffice@cupe411.ca) and we would ask that you answer the following two (2) questions:

1. *What experience do you possess that would lend itself nicely to this committee?*
2. *Why have you chosen to put your name forward to sit on this committee?*

All the submissions will be reviewed by the Union's Table Officers, and we will follow up with every member that expressed an interest in this committee, with first priority being given to returning committee members.

This committee will play host to six (6) meetings for the 2023-2024 school year; October, November, January, February, April and May which will mainly take place via an on-line platform. The Director of Instruction for Learning Services and the District Principal of Student Services will act as Co-Chairs to this committee and there will be a number of other partner groups at the table too.

In Solidarity,

**CUPE 411 Executive Board**