BLACK CAUCUS

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The D16 T/OT Black Caucus is a group that wishes to create a space to voice and address personal aspirations, group objectives, systemic issues and action plans around the lived experiences of African, Caribbean and Black identifying teachers.

The Black Caucus Committee provides opportunities to connect, learn and be supported both individually and collectively.

Our Committee:

- ✓ Promotes Black members to be leaders, mentors and role models who strive towards making our work environment inclusive, safe, and equitable.
- ✓ Provides workshops to assist in professional development, mental health and wellness supports and related matters of interest to the collective group.
- ✓ Identifies dismantling anti-Black racism needs of the Teacher/OT Bargaining Unit.

Do you want to take on a leadership role in bridging the union and the membership?

Are you interested in the election process at local, provincial and federal levels?

During bargaining years, do you want to bring school level ideas into how we organize members?

COMMUNICATION AND POLITICAL ACTION

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Encouraging School Level
participation in election -related
events and getting out the vote.

- During negotiations, work as a team to bring forward ideas to engage members in the process.
- Facilitating the annual Student
 Achievement Awards.
 - Promoting the Excellence in
 Education Grants.



JOIN A COMMITTEE

Why Join A Committee?

- Get involved in your union and stay informed.
- Leadership opportunities at the school level.
- An opportunity to have your voice heard.
- Small time investment (3-6 meetings per year) in an area of interest.

For more information on joining a committee, reach out to your Branch President or contact each Committee Chair directly.

STATUS OF WOMEN

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Are you an advocate, or wish to take on a leadership role in advocating for women's rights?

Are you interested in exploring ways in which we can support and uplift women?



Our Committee:

- Organizes/ promotes workshops, speakers and supports for women.
- Encourages local school level participation in the Winter Hamper and International Women's Day.
- Facilitates the Status of Women Scholarship Competition.



Are you interested in engaging in professional learning pertaining to human rights and social justice issues?

Do you have ideas for guest speakers or workshops related to human rights and social justice that we can bring to members?

Our Committee:

- Organizes the Human Rights

 Day Poster Competition.
 - Arranges for guest ✓ speakers/workshops.
 - Facilitates the Human Rights Bursary.



EDUCATION SERVICES

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Do you wish there were opportunities to take charge of the type of PD you receive?

Do you want to work collaboratively to bring training to OSSTF members?

Our Committee:

- Promotes funding available for various PD opportunities.
- Will bring PD opportunities and
 member engagement activities to
 members.
- Recognizes the efforts of members at each school through the Unsung Hero Awards.