

Mark your calendar

Teachers' conventions and specialist council conferences

2016/17

Mark teachers' conventions as a key component for your professional growth plan. Learn from top-notch speakers and presentations. Reflect on your professional needs. Take advantage of specialist council membership and conferences to keep current and keep in touch with colleagues.

Enhance your professional practice with a meaningful professional growth plan.

Check out your professional growth plan. Does it include your no-cost specialist council membership? You can support your professional specialty with the resources and support of one of 21 specialist councils.

Visit the ATA's website frequently asked questions for about teachers' convention, www.teachers.ab.ca>For Members>Professional Development>Teachers' Conventions.

Questions regarding the teachers' convention that you attend should be directed to your convention association.

General questions regarding teachers' conventions should be directed to Dan Grassick, executive staff officer, Professional Development, the Alberta Teachers' Association. Telephone: 780-447-9487 (in Edmonton) or 1-800-232-7208 (toll free in Alberta); email dan.grassick@ata.ab.ca.

Alberta School Learning Commons Council

Date: April 8, 2017
Location: Edmonton
Theme: Making Our Way into the Future
Contact: Lissa Davies
Email: lissadavies@gmail.com
Website: <http://aslc.ca/>

Career and Technology Education Council

Date: Nov. 24–26, 2016
Location: Coast Canmore Hotel and Conference Centre, Canmore
Theme: Agents of Change: Bonding CTF and CTS
Contact: Deborah MacFadyen
Email: conferencedirector@ctscouncil.com
Website: <http://ctscouncil.com/>

Le Conseil français

Will Not Be Hosting a Conference in 2017
Contact: Michael Tryon
Telephone: 780-459-4405
Email: mtryon@cpfalta.ab.ca
Website: <http://cf.teachers.ab.ca>

Council for Inclusive Education

Date: Oct. 13–15, 2016
Location: Delta Lodge, Kananaskis
Theme: Celebrating the Challenges Waves of Inclusion! An Ocean of Opportunity!
Contact 1: Janis Bekar
Email: conferencesouth1@cieeducation.ca
Contact 2: Darci Fulton
Email: celebratethechallenges2011@gmail.com
Website: <https://cieeducation.ca/initiative/celebrating-the-challenges-2016>

Council for School Leadership

Date: April 9–12, 2017
Location: Fairmont Banff Springs, Banff
Theme: uLead 2017 – The Summit of Educational Leadership
Contact: Jeff Johnson
Email: leadershipfor21c@me.com
Website: <http://ulead.ca>

Date: April 7–9, 2017
Location: Hyatt Hotel, Calgary
Theme: Le Sommet international du leadership en éducation Francophone – uLead 2017
Contact: Jeff Johnson
Email: leadershipfor21c@me.com
Website: <http://ulead.ca>

Council of School Counsellors

Date: Nov. 18–19, 2016
Location: Coast Canmore Hotel, Canmore
Theme: Voices of Counselling 2016: Agents of Change
Contact: Sara Dean
Email: conferencedirector@guidancecouncil.ca
Website: www.guidancecouncil.ca

Early Childhood Education Council

Date: Nov. 3–5, 2016
Location: Fantasyland Hotel, Edmonton
Theme: Connect • Collaborate • Create
Contact: Janice Comrie
Email: janicecomrie@shaw.ca
Website: <http://ecec.teachers.ab.ca>

Educational Technology Council

Date: March 17–19, 2017
Location: TBA
Theme: TBA
Contact: Gerald Logan
Email: glogan@me.com
Website: www.etcata.ca

English as a Second Language Council

Date: Nov. 3–5, 2016
Location: Courtyard Marriott Hotel, Calgary
Theme: My Story – My Words
Contact: Jana Fedun
Email: jana.fedun@cssd.ab.ca
Website: www.eslcata.com/conference

English Language Arts Council

Will Not Be Hosting a Conference in 2017
Planning a conference entitled Making Meaning on May 4–5, 2018
Website: <http://elacata.ca/>

Fine Arts Council

Date: Oct. 20–22, 2016
Location: Delta Lodge, Kananaskis
Theme: Journey with the Fine Arts: Creating Your Story
Contact: David Fettes
Email: dwfettes@cbe.ab.ca or dwfettes@shaw.ca
Website: <http://fac.teachers.ab.ca>

First Nations, Métis and Inuit Education Council

Date: Nov. 17–19, 2016
Location: Radisson Hotel Edmonton South, Edmonton
Theme: Soaring with Knowledge
Contact: Linda Weaselhead
Email: lindaweaselhead@gmail.com
Website: <http://fmiec.teachers.ab.ca>

Global, Environmental and Outdoor Education Council*

Date: May 11–13, 2017
Location: Jasper
Theme: TBA
Contact: TBA
Email: TBA
Website: www.geoec.org

Health and Physical Education Council*

Date: May 11–13, 2017
Location: Jasper
Theme: TBA
Contact 1: Jodi Harding-Kuriger
Email: jodi.harding@gmail.com
Contact 2: Jonathan Mauro
Email: jonathan.mauro@rdcrs.ca
Website: <http://hpec.ab.ca>

Mathematics Council

Date: Oct. 21–22, 2016
Location: Coast Canmore Hotel and Conference Centre, Canmore
Theme: Opening Your Mathematical Mind
Contact 1: Alicia Burdess
Email: aliciaburdess@gpcsd.ca
Contact 2: Daryl Chichak
Email: mathguy@shaw.ca
Website: www.mathteachers.ab.ca/

Middle Years Council

Date: April 28–29, 2017
Location: Banff Park Lodge, Banff
Theme: The Wonder Years
Contact: Chris McCullough
Email: chris.mccullough.teacher@gmail.com
Website: www.ata-myc.com/

Outreach Education Council

Date: Sept. 29–Oct. 1, 2016
Location: Edmonton Marriott at River Cree Resort, Enoch, Alberta
Theme: Outreach Connects
Contact: Antonette Wilson
Email: antonette.wilson@epsb.ca
Website: <http://oec.teachers.ab.ca>

Religious and Moral Education Council

Date: Oct. 14–15, 2016
Location: Rimrock Resort Hotel, Banff
Theme: The Spirit Is Calling: Tasting, Feeling, Hearing, Touching Mercy
Contact: Ron Baier
Telephone: 780-608-9695
Email: ronbaier1@gmail.com
Website: <http://rmec.teachers.ab.ca>

North Central Teachers' Convention

Date: Feb. 09–10, 2017
Location: Shaw Conference Centre and Westin Hotel, Edmonton
Contact: Pam Annason, president
Email: president@nctca.ab.ca
Website: www.mynctca.com

Calgary City Teachers' Convention

Date: Feb. 16–17, 2017
Location: Telus Convention Centre, Hyatt Regency Hotel and off-site venues, Calgary
Contact: Paul Nickerson, president
Email: cctcapresident@gmail.com
Website: www.cctca.com

Northeast Teachers' Convention

Date: Feb. 16–17, 2017
Location: Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, Edmonton
Contact: Adrienne Sprecker, president
Email: adrienne.sprecker@nlsd.ab.ca
Website: <http://netca.teachers.ab.ca>

Science Council

Date: Nov. 17–19, 2016
Location: Banff Conference Centre, Banff
Theme: The Science of Success: Reaching Potential
Contact: Alicia Taylor
Email: sweetleesh1@yahoo.com
Website: <http://sc.teachers.ab.ca>

Central Alberta Teachers' Convention

Date: Feb. 23–24, 2017
Location: Red Deer College, Red Deer
Contact: David Martin, president
Email: teacher.david.martin@gmail.com
Website: www.mycatca.com

Palliser District Teachers' Convention

Date: Feb. 23–24, 2017
Location: Telus Convention Centre & Hyatt Hotel, Calgary
Contact: Jordan Fenton, president
Email: jofenton@rockyview.ab.ca
Website: www.pdtca.org

South Western Alberta Teachers' Convention

Date: Feb. 23–24, 2017
Location: University of Lethbridge, Lethbridge
Contact: Rod Lowry, president
Email: rod.lowry1@gmail.com
Website: www.swatca.ca

Second Languages and Intercultural Council

Date: Oct. 22, 2016
Location: Grant McEwan University, Edmonton
Theme: Do You Speak Tech 2.0?
Contact: TBA
Email: TBA
Website: <http://slc.teachers.ab.ca>

Southeastern Alberta Teachers' Convention

Date: Feb. 23–24, 2017
Location: Medicine Hat College, Medicine Hat
Contact: Tim Johnson, president
Email: tim.johnson@sd76.ab.ca
Website: www.seatca.ca

Greater Edmonton Teachers' Convention

Date: March 2–3, 2017
Location: Shaw Conference Centre, Westin Hotel and off-site venues, Edmonton
Contact: Karen Sucie, president
Email: president@getca.com
Website: www.getca.com

Social Studies Council

Date: Oct. 13–15, 2016
Location: Edmonton Marriott at River Cree Resort, Enoch, Alberta
Theme: Advocacy, Activism, Action
Contact: Joy Wicks
Email: atasocialconference2016@gmail.com
Website: <http://ssc.teachers.ab.ca>

Mighty Peace Teachers' Convention

Date: March 9–10, 2017
Location: Grande Prairie Composite High School and Peace Wapiti Academy, Grande Prairie
Contact: Julie Gummesen, president
Email: edge@abnorth.com
Website: <http://mptca.teachers.ab.ca>

Central East Alberta Teachers' Convention

Date: March 9–10, 2017
Location: Shaw Conference Centre, Edmonton
Contact: Jim Allan, president
Email: jallan@brsd.ab.ca
Website: www.ceatca.teachers.ab.ca

*The Global, Environmental and Outdoor Education Council and the Health and Physical Education Council will be hosting a joint conference.



*Walking Together:
Education for Reconciliation*

In addition to the wide variety of sessions that are typically offered at teachers' convention each year, all 2017 conventions will feature a number of sessions entitled Walking Together: Education for Reconciliation.