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# Provincial Framework Agreement: Support Staff Education Committee — Training Modules Survey

### **Background**

As part of the Provincial Framework Agreement (PFA) reached between BCPSEA and the K-12 Presidents Council and Support Staff Unions, the Support Staff Education Committee (SSEC) was established to carry out work on behalf of member school districts and member Support Staff Unions during the term of the 2019-2022 PFA. The SSEC's mandate includes the distribution of education funds for the following:

- a. Implementation of best practices to integrate skill development for support staff employees with district goals and student needs
- b. Developing and delivering education opportunities to enhance service delivery to students
- c. Identifying, developing and delivering education opportunities to enhance and support employee health and safety, including non-violent crisis intervention
- d. Skills enhancement for support staff
- e. EA curriculum module development and delivery
- f. These funds shall not be used to pay for education that Districts are required to provide under Occupational Health and Safety Regulations

## For Action: Support Staff Education Survey

As part of the Committee's work, a comprehensive survey has been developed for employers to solicit input and help define priorities for, and interest in, support staff training modules. The survey is voluntary, anonymous and will take approximately 15 to 20 minutes to complete.

We are requesting your assistance to distribute the Administration / Employer Survey Re: Support Staff Training by end of day January 7, 2021 if possible to school principals, managers, and directors who guide and/or directly supervise work carried out by unionized support staff.

Please find the link to the survey included in the following (on page 2) brief explanation, which can be cut and pasted into an e-mail to accompany the request for completion of the survey.

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#### To: School Principals, Managers and Directors (working with Unionized Support Staff)

Following please find a link to a survey that has been developed jointly by BCPSEA, CUPE, and other support staff unions to solicit your input concerning opportunities for, and development of, support staff training initiatives.

Link to survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7WXXR3J

**Your knowledge and input completing this survey is essential** and will help to inform the work of the Support Staff Education Committee (SSEC), which was established as part of the Provincial Framework Agreement.

The survey is voluntary, anonymous, and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. The survey parameters require that the survey be completed on one computer/device. However, you can start the survey and save what you have done to come back to it later if necessary. You can also go back and change an answer as you move through the survey, if you wish.

We ask that you complete the survey as soon as possible, but no later than end of day Monday, January 18, 2021.

#### **Questions**

If you have any questions about this survey, please contact Debbie Craig, Director, Labour Relations with BCPSEA at 778 628 8559 or debbiec@bcpsea.bc.ca.

Thank you very much for your assistance. Your time and knowledge are greatly appreciated!