

**Ontario English Catholic Teachers
Association
Halton Unit**



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**Principals/Vice Principals Notice
Election Procedures
Advanced Poll/Election Day**

TO:	OECTA STAFF REPS./ OECTA C.B.C. REPS. PRINCIPALS/VICE PRINCIPALS
FROM:	RICHARD BROCK, PRESIDENT HALTON ELEMENTARY UNIT
DATE:	MAY 8, 2009
TOPIC:	HALTON ELEMENTARY UNIT ELECTIONS

Nominations closed at noon on Thursday, May 7, 2009 and we know there will be an election because we have more candidates than positions.

The purpose of my letter is to give both of you and your Principal/Vice Principal plenty of advance notice. There are only two significant dates:

#1. **THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2009**

- **“ADVANCED POLL”**
- Will run from 12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.
- Will occur at the Halton Elementary Unit Office (1182 Blair Road, Burlington).
- All O.E.C.T.A. Elementary members are eligible to vote, including; Regular Day teachers, L.T.O.'S, Casual Supply, Itinerants, Consultants, Members on Sick Leave, L.T.D. or Leave of Absence, Etc.
- A valid O.E.C.T.A. Card to vote would assist the tellers at each site if you are not known at that site.

#2. **THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2009**

- **“ELECTION DAY”**
- Will run over your schools lunch break.
- Voting location at your school to be decided by Reps. in consultation with your Principal.
- Packages/ballots/pens/ballot boxes will be dropped off at your school the morning of May 21st and picked back up in the afternoon of May 21st at the school office.
- Ballots will be tabulated back at the Unit Office.
- Regular routines and supervision should not be disrupted.
- All O.E.C.T.A. Elementary members are eligible to vote, including; Regular Day teachers, L.T.O.'S, Casual Supply, Itinerants, Consultants, Members on Sick Leave, L.T.D. or Leave of Absence, Etc.
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Thanking you in advance for your co-operation.

RB:dp

ARTICLE IV

B. PROCEDURES

Section 1 - Unit Elections

3. (d) Campaigning:

- i) Candidates or their agents shall:
 - a) Comply with current procedures regarding the use of the Board's communication services and electronic equipment, and,
 - b) Not use the Unit's web-page or newsletters for campaigning.
- ii) O.E.C.T.A. school/site representatives by virtue of the position they hold cannot be expected or compelled to assist candidates. Notwithstanding the aforementioned, an O.E.C.T.A. school/site representative may volunteer to assist the candidate(s) of their choice.
- iii) Halton Elementary Unit O.E.C.T.A. members shall not involve directly or indirectly other employees (unionized or non-unionized) of the Board in the Unit election process.
- iv) Campaign materials are not to be displayed, posted, or distributed:
 - a) On school/sites prior to the release of the slate of candidates by the Elections chairperson, and
 - b) At polling sites on election day.
- v) The posting and distribution of campaign materials on school/site locations shall be under the jurisdiction of the principal/site administrator in accordance with the sections of relevant legislation, regulations and Board policies.
- vi) The usual O.E.C.T.A. display area in each school/site shall be used with fairness and equity by all candidates or their agents.



O.E.C.T.A.
HALTON ELEMENTARY UNIT
2009 - 2010
UNIT ELECTIONS



ADVANCED POLL

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2009

NOON - 6:00 P.M.

HALTON ELEMENTARY UNIT OFFICE

ELECTION DAY

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2009

OVER THE LUNCH HOUR
(AT YOUR SITE)

- ALL O.E.C.T.A. ELEMENTARY MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE, INCLUDING; REGULAR DAY TEACHERS, L.T.O.'S, CASUAL SUPPLY, ITINERANTS, CONSULTANTS, MEMBERS ON SICK LEAVE, L.T.D. OR LEAVE OF ABSENCE, ETC.
- A VALID O.E.C.T.A. CARD TO VOTE WOULD ASSIST THE TELLERS AT EACH SITE IF YOU ARE NOT KNOWN AT THAT SITE.

