

Bruce Grey OECTA ELEMENTARY

June 2026

LOCAL UNIT EXECUTIVE

President - Kristen Fry

Vice President - Corinne Kalistchuk

Secretary - Karen Herchmer

Treasurer – Stacey Dahmer

Councillor – Teresa Dantas

Councillor – Tammy Nadeau

Councillor – Steph Fortney

Councillor -

Human Rights Councillor- Marie Tudor

OT Rep- Deb Meyer

Begin Teacher Rep –

H&S Rep - Corinne Kalistchuk

Unit Contacts

Unit phone - 519 386 6575

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Through the courier - at the CEC to the attention of Kristen Fry

Unit website -

www.brucegreypoecta.com

(Password: BGoecta144)

SUMMER 2026

The Unit office will be officially closed on July 5 2026 for the summer break.

HOWEVER, Kristen will continue to answer emails and phone calls whenever necessary. **Do not hesitate** to reach out with your urgent matters and questions.

You can also contact OECTA Provincial office and ask for the duty officer. Phone: 416-925-2493 or toll free 1-800-268-7230

GOING INTO YOUR SCHOOL/SITE IN THE SUMMER

Sites will remain closed for the summer unless you have the express permission of your principal and custodian to be on site. Please email your principal before going into school.

SERVICES AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS

EDVANTAGE- Members can receive discounts on services. You will need your OECTA number. Edvantage.ca/save-today

CAREPATH- Cancer management program

Call 1-800-290-5106 otip.carepath.ca

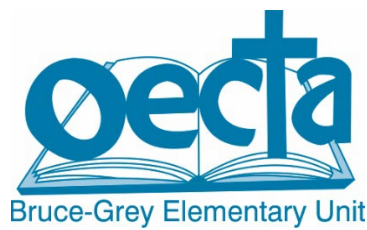


Carepath
DigitalHealth



A leader in virtual care, Carepath is an innovative healthcare navigation service that provides comprehensive and personalized care to members and their families.

Facing a cancer diagnosis can be overwhelming, confusing, and stressful. Our Carepath Cancer program is led by Oncology Nurse Case Managers who serve as partners and advocates for members and their families. After you contact Carepath, you'll be paired with one of our Nurse Case Managers who will work with you and your family members from treatment to recovery to help you make informed decisions about your care.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 2 and 3 – PA days at schools

September 4 and 7- vacation days

September 8- first day of school

October 16- PA Day

October 12- Thanksgiving

DOES OECTA PROVINCIAL HAVE YOUR HOME EMAIL ADDRESS?

In order to receive updates send your home email address with your name and « Bruce Grey Elem »

to bgoecta@gmail.com

and [Update your Email Address - Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association \(OECTA\)](#)

OTIP : SUMMER ROAD TRIP

There's a special kind of magic to hitting the open road in the summer: the sun is shining, your favourite playlist is playing, and endless possibilities lie ahead. Whether you're escaping to cottage country, or discovering hidden gems road trips are about adventure and making memories at your own pace. By checking your vehicle and ensuring you're properly covered, you'll spend less time worrying and more time enjoying every mile. Read more at www.otip.com/article207.



Celebrate the end of the school year with a bonus offer-

For the month of **June**, receive a **\$30 gift card** of your choice when you get a car, home or leisure insurance quote. [Get a quote](#) here.

<https://www.otpp.com/home>



Check out the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan Website at www.otpp.com . You can use your SIN number to see your retirement date, and play with possible scenarios. You can read up on the innovative ways our pension plan uses to keep your dollars growing.

POLITICAL ACTIVISM: MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER-

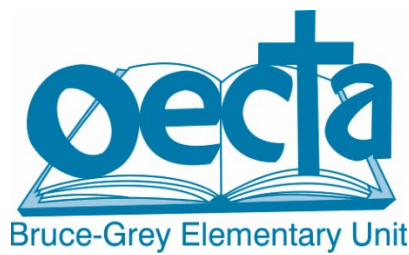
What can you do?

- ✓ Sign up for OECTA emails at membership@catholicteachers.ca
- ✓ Download the OECTA App
- ✓ Follow OECTA on social media
- ✓ Update Kristen on your current email and phone number, and also email membership@catholicteachers.ca
- ✓ Read and follow the news and email
- ✓ Attend OECTA's local events and rallies
- ✓ Read the Catholic Teachers magazine
- ✓ Follow your MPP and the Education Minister on Facebook or Twitter
- ✓ Follow the OFL or OTF campaigns by signing up online

LIFE CHANGES?

A new baby, a child turning 21, a divorce, a marriage, switching to part time work, a new home, new email:

BE CERTAIN to let the school board, OTIP Health and Dental Benefits, OECTA, the pension board and your insurance provider know. Many changes must be completed within 30 days of the event occurring.



THINKING ABOUT AN AQ?

LOCAL FUNDS TO HELP YOU OUT: Plan to take an AQ between July 2026 and June 2027? You can apply to the Unit for the AQ scholarship for the 2026/27 school year, using the Unit AQ application form, that will be sent out in September 2026. \$4000 is split equally between the applicants after the **October 31, 2026 deadline**. Apply before this date even for Spring 2027 AQ courses, since all money is allocated in October 2026.

PRIDE JUNE 2026

OECTA will be walking in the Kincardine parade Kincardine June 20 at 11 am- meet at the No Frills parking lot at 10:30 pm.

Bring your banners and flags, bring your family.



Owen Sound June 13 at 2 pm- we do not plan to walk in this parade.

EAP PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES

one.telushealth.com

Username: EAP-bgcdsb / **Password:** EAP

Telus Health is the new provider.

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is a free and confidential service provided by your employer that offers help with personal and work-related issues.

Professionally trained advisors are available to help with

- family problems
- stress, mental health etc
- financial
- legal matters

Call your EAP toll-free, any time, 24/7, 365 days a year: 1.844.880.9142 or 1.844.671.3327

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR MEMBERS

FeelingBetterNow® is available to you and your family members and includes help for emotional and mental health management. Take charge of your mental health! Go to feelingbetternow.com/otip

YOUR OECTA EXECUTIVE starting July 1 2026

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Secretary- Karen Herchmer

Councillors- Tammy Nadeau, Rachel Weir, Steph Fortney, Lisa DesRochess

Councillor of Human Rights- Marie Tudor

Beginning Teacher Rep- Elisha Di Giovanni

Congratulations to all the Teachers who have been elected.