

Talking about...

PREP TIME

BC teacher prep time doesn't add up

BC teachers have less prep time than their counterparts across the country. What does this mean for you? More time working at home? Less time spent working one-on-one with students? Fewer opportunities to collaborate with colleagues? Rushed mornings and lunch hours preparing activities for your students?

Imagine the possibilities of how you could use increased prep time!

Prep time across the country . . .

	BC	Alberta (Calgary)	Saskatchewan (whole province)	Manitoba (Winnipeg)	Ontario (Ottawa)
Elementary	90 mins./week	370 mins./week	217 mins./week	180 mins./week	220 mins./week
Secondary	193 mins./week	370 mins./week	247.5 mins./week	240 mins./6 days	375 mins./6 days

BC elementary teachers receive 58% less preparation time than the Canadian average.

BC secondary teachers don't fare much better. They receive 52% less prep time than the average.

- BC Teachers are seeking parity with our colleagues across Canada.
- Successful lessons require sufficient prep time. The amount of prep time we have directly impacts the education our students receive.
- The BC government espouses a commitment to Public Education, but time and time again, misplaced priorities mean a failed promise to BC students and teachers.
- Teachers are professionals, and are part of a community of professionals. We are lifelong learners who use our preparation time for ongoing enrichment and professional growth.
- Our classes have become more complex and our workload has increased year after year without a commensurate increase in our time to prepare for the individual needs of our students.