



# Staff Rep Weekly

2011 December 05

## Dates to Remember

**December 5**  
Anti-Poverty Committee  
4pm VESTA office

**December 6**  
TTOC Committee  
4:15 pm VESTA Office

**December 6**  
**Special Event**  
Status of Women  
4 pm meet at Thornton Pk  
by Science World to  
commemorate the women  
murdered at Montreal  
Polytechnic

**December 8**  
Sustainability Committee  
4 pm VESTA office

**December 15**  
Aboriginal Ed. Section  
4 pm VESTA office

**\*\*4pm\*\*\*\*\*TODAY! \*\*\*\*\*4pm\*\***

## Rally in Support of a Fair Deal

**VESTA and VSTA will be holding a joint rally today, Monday, December 5 in front of Christy Clark's constituency office, 3614 West 4th Avenue (between Alma and Dunbar)**

Teachers deserve to be bargained with in good faith. The latest set of proposals tabled by BCPSEA contain a series of contract strips which negatively affect our professional autonomy, professional development, seniority and post and fill rights, and dramatically increase the arbitrary powers of administrators in the areas of evaluation, transfer, assigning school teaching assignments, discipline and dismissal. The Provincial Government, in their haste to implement their new 21<sup>st</sup> Century education plan, needs to hear our message that teachers will not sacrifice their rights and working conditions nor student learning conditions.

Please make plans to attend the rally and make and bring your signs.

**This is your chance to be heard!**

## December 6—Moment of Silence

The Staff Rep Assembly passed the following motion on 2011 November 15.

*"That on 2011 December 6, teachers observe with their students a minute of silence in the memory of the fourteen women murdered at Montreal Polytechnic and all the women who are victims of violence."*

Please participate with your class and make it a teachable moment.

## E-Mail Vancouver

### Liberal MLAs

Tell the Liberal MLAs to treat teachers with respect and to bargain fairly.

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## WORDS

*"Education breeds confidence. Confidence breeds hope. Hope breeds peace"*

*Confucius  
(c..551-479 BC)*



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