

STAFF REP WEEKLY



DATES TO REMEMBER:

Meetings at VESTA Office,
4 PM unless otherwise noted.

May 8-11

Advance Polls for Election

May 11

Election Phone Campaign,
11 AM-2 PM

May 13

Status of Women Committee

May 14

TTOC Committee

May 14

Election Day

May 16

Sustainability Committee

May 21

VESTA AGM, Vancouver
Museum

May 30

Professional Issues
Committee

*****Please share this information with all VESTA members*****

LET'S ELECT A BETTER GOVERNMENT FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS!

All of the NDP campaigns in the Lower Mainland need volunteers to help in the last few days of the election period. "People power" has always been the key to success in elections. Mobilizing voters, their friends and families is critical to electoral success.

Early voting at the advance polls helps campaigns to focus only on people who haven't voted yet, reducing their number of calls on May 14, and allows people to volunteer for campaigns on E-Day.

ELECTION EVENTS:

- Vancouver Fairview Labour BBQ Saturday, May 11, 11am to 2pm, Jonathan Rogers Park, 110 East 7th Ave (between Columbia and Manitoba) Hot dogs, burgers, veggie burgers. Bring the kids, lawn chairs, blankets. Sponsored by the BC Federation of Labour. For more info contact Holly Park at 604.354.4763
- Rally for Change (<http://www.bcndp.ca/rallyforchange>)
Supporters of the NDP from across the Lower Mainland will come together for the final rally of the campaign! Sunday, May 12 at 2:00 PM at Vancouver Film Studios (Studio D1 – 3500 Cornett Road, Vancouver.) Let's end the campaign on a high note!
- Vancouver-False Creek #VoteMob! The Vancouver tech and creative industries are coming out en masse and voting at the Roundhouse Community Centre, Friday, May 10, 3:00 pm, Roundhouse Community Centre, 181 Roundhouse Mews (Davie & Pacific)
- Tell everyone you know to watch for our Friday ads in these newspapers: *Metro*, *24Hrs*, the language newspapers *Sing Tao*, and *Ming Pao* (both Chinese) and *Sach di Awaaz* (Punjabi)

VSF SURVEY ON FUNDRAISING

In December 2012 the VSB Advocacy Committee established a subcommittee on Fundraising. VESTA has two representatives on the subcommittee. An online survey has been designed to assess the degree of fundraising and its impact on schools in the district. A hard copy has also been sent.

School administrators, Staff Reps and PAC chairpersons have been asked to work together to complete the survey. VESTA supports this survey and encourages staff reps use this opportunity to provide input from teachers at your school.

RESOURCE SWAP MEET/BBQ

The annual TTOC Swap Meet/BBQ has been scheduled for Wednesday June 26, 2013 at the VESTA Office. This is an opportunity for beginning teachers or those new to a grade level to come and browse through teaching resources donated by other teachers. Experienced teachers will be given a date to drop off "gently used" teaching resources to the VESTA office. More details to follow.

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