

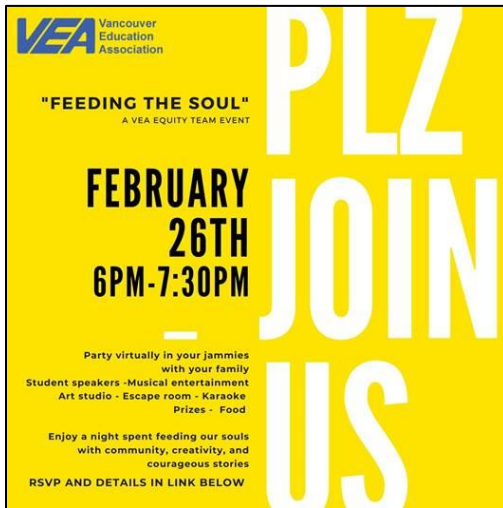
Winter Update

VEA Equity Event: Registration Now Open!

If you identify as:

- A person of color
- A member of the LGBTQIA+ community
- A person with a physical disability
- A person with neurodiversity,

please see below for a special invitation from your VEA Equity Team for [an event](#) catered to feeding your soul!



[Register using this link](#)

Once you complete the event registration link you will receive a confirmation email with another link to indicate your party room preference and to receive access to the event via Zoom!

The VEA Equity Team hopes you can join us!

Marina Heitz, VP in charge of Equity Affairs
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A Member Thank You!

Leading up to Friday, February 26th, be sure to check your VPS mailbox for a special thank you from VEA for “fostering growth” in the students you serve! We hope this small token of our gratitude brings a smile to your face :)

Thank you to those VEA Building Reps who’ve stepped up to help distribute these items to member mailboxes as well! The hard work and dedication of all members, including our member leaders does not go unnoticed!

WEA STEM PD Offerings

VEA continues to advocate at the WEA level for ongoing access to high quality professional development, in particular those courses which will help many members fulfill their 15 STEM clock hour requirement for certification renewal. See [this flyer](#) for current WEA STEM offerings, both self-paced via Canvas and scheduled via Zoom!

You will recall the PESB requires all STEM teachers and many non-STEM teachers (All K-8 Endorsed teachers and early childhood endorsed teachers for example) to earn these clock hours. If you’re uncertain whether this requirement applies to you, below is a list of those endorsements to which the requirement applies:

- Elementary Education (K-8) endorsement
- Early Childhood Education (P-3) endorsement
- All Mathematics endorsements
- All Science Endorsements: Agriculture, Biology, Chemistry, Earth & Space Science, Physics, Biology,
- Computer Science
- Business Education
- Marketing
- Family and Consumer Sciences
- Technology Education
- All CTE

As a reminder, NBCTs can maintain state certificates with a valid National Board certificate

Columbia Sportswear Employee Store Invitation

VEA members and up to 4 additional guests can save up to 50% off the retail price of items at the Columbia Sportswear Employee Store February 19 through March 14, 2021. Hours are Mon-Fri 10 am – 8 pm and Sunday 9 am – 8 pm.

Shoppers are required to bring your own face coverings to wear while shopping. You will need [this flier](#), your employee badge or pay stub, and a valid photo ID at check in. See the flier linked above for Columbia Sportswear’s COVID-19 response.

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