

Edmonton Public Teachers Local 37 Continuing Education Scholarship 2026/27 Guidelines and Criteria

October 14, 2026

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Edmonton Public Teachers Local 37 acknowledges the additional time and expense that is required to complete a graduate-level degree while working as a teacher.

This scholarship has been established to provide financial assistance to teachers completing a graduate-level degree while working and serving their colleagues through involvement in the Local and/or ATA.

There have been several Edmonton Public Teachers who have achieved their Master's degree or PhD qualifications while working with the Division and serving their colleagues through their work with the Local.

GENERAL FRAME OF REFERENCE

- The Local shall offer annually a scholarship or scholarships not to exceed a total amount of \$20,000.
- Teachers who are members of the Local are eligible to apply for the scholarship; however, no teacher may receive the scholarship for more than two years consecutively; and no more than \$10,000 in their career.
- The applicant must state their intention to continue a career in education in Edmonton Public Schools.
- The scholarship/s is/are payable upon proof of enrolment in a TQS recognized university or post-secondary institution for the current school year.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION
4:00 PM, JANUARY 4, 2027

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. The criteria for selection shall be based on the evaluation of professional service to colleagues through:
 - a) Service provided to the Edmonton Public Teachers Local and/or service provided to the provincial Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) (up to 60% awarded).
 - b) Other professional activities (up to 20% awarded).
 - c) Personal professional growth (up to 20% awarded).
2. **Only applicants who score 60%** based on the average of the voting members of the Selection Committee **are eligible** for recommendation to the Executive Committee.
3. The recommendation of the Selection Committee shall be placed before the Executive Committee of the Local who will make the decision as to the recipient/s of the scholarship.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Selection Committee shall consist of:

1. The Local Table Officers (president, past president and three vice presidents),
2. Two members of the Council of Representatives, and
3. One Local Staff Officer (non-voting).

APPLICATIONS

Application forms can be obtained from your school representative or downloaded from <https://local37.teachers.ab.ca/formsandsurveys/Pages/Forms.aspx>.

Completed applications should be returned to the Local's office **before 4:00 pm on January 4, 2027.** Applications will be accepted by e-mail (info@edpub.org), via Board Truck, Canada Post, or dropped off in person: Edmonton Public Teachers Local, 401-11010 142 St NW, Edmonton, AB T5N 2R1.

Edmonton Public Teachers Local 37 Continuing Education Scholarship 2026/27 Application Form

Please complete the following form (include answers to the questions on a separate page) and return to the Local office (info@edpub.org) no later than January 5, 2027.

NAME: _____

STUDY PLAN: Regarding your studies, please provide the following information:

- a. Name and location of institution _____
- b. The nature of the program in which you are registered _____
- c. The commencement date and completion date of the program _____ to _____
- d. What point in the program are you at (i.e., first year, completed three of the required courses)?

- e. Estimated total course cost in the upcoming year of study: \$ _____
- f. Please state the amount you are applying for: \$ _____
- g. Are you receiving funding from another source (E.g. Teacher Development Fund, Professional Improvement Program, etc)? If so, how much?

PLEASE NOTE

To receive the Edmonton Public Teachers Local 37 Continuing Education Scholarship, the successful applicant must **provide proof of registration**, in a post-secondary program that meets the Alberta Eligibility Criteria for post-secondary programs for student aid, for the current school year.

SERVICE TO THE LOCAL and/or PROVINCIAL ATA

What service have you provided to the Edmonton Public Teachers Local and/or the Alberta Teachers' Association (i.e., service on a Local Committee, Executive member, extended service as a CoR Rep, attendance at ARA, membership on a provincial committee)? Please include dates where possible.
(up to 60% awarded)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

What other professional activities have you been involved with (i.e., involvement in another professional association, GETCA Presenter, PD Day planning committee)? **(up to 20% awarded)**

PERSONAL PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

Describe how you have enhanced your personal professional growth since you began your career in education. **(up to 20% awarded)**

CURRENT TEACHING ASSIGNMENT WITH EPSB (Include division [I, II, III or IV], position, school):

YEARS TEACHING IN EPSB: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ **HOME EMAIL:** _____

DECLARATION

I hereby declare the foregoing to be accurate to the best of my knowledge. If I am the successful applicant, it is my intention to continue a career in education in Edmonton Public Schools.

I grant permission to the Edmonton Public Teachers Local No. 37 of the Alberta Teachers' Association to photograph me during my participation in the Local, and to use my name and any photographs of me for Local purposes in any media and territory in perpetuity.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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