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### YOUR COLLEGE AND YOU

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## ONLINE 2010 COLLEGE ANNUAL REPORT PROFILES ONTARIO TEACHERS

*Equipping Teachers for the 21st century*, our 2010 online annual report, honours Ontario Certified Teachers who are taking College-accredited Additional Qualification (AQ) courses in record numbers.

Whether they're acquiring strategies to help new Canadian students to learn English or researching how to create inclusive classrooms, College members profiled in this report are as committed to learning as they are to teaching.

As always, the College's annual report provides a wealth of statistical information about Ontario Certified Teachers.

Visit [\*\*Equipping Teachers for the 21st century\*\*](#) for access to detailed information on Ontario teachers including key demographic data, teacher qualifications, and where and how Ontario teachers are educated.

With just the click of a mouse, the College's annual report also provides you with our review of Council and College activities, committee reports for 2010, and resources.

The online report is a timely, environmentally responsible and cost-effective way for the College to provide you, stakeholders, the public and the media access to current information on Ontario's teaching profession.

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## **CELEBRATING NATIONAL ABORIGINAL DAY**

Dancing, drumming and singing filled the College's Council chambers for a National Aboriginal Day celebration this week.

Joseph Roy, OCT, who teaches native languages at Eastview Junior Public School in Scarborough, made a presentation on *Empowering Aboriginal Youth Through Language* to the Standards of Practice and Education committee. Roy's students shared the meaning of National Aboriginal Day through colourful singing, dancing and drumming.



View photos of the celebration on our [\*\*Facebook site\*\*](#). You can access the photos even if you don't have a Facebook account. If you do have an account, Like our page so you can get up-to-date alerts about College initiatives and provide input on a variety of topics.

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## **RESOURCES AT YOUR FINGERTIPS**

We aren't able to send you materials by mail during the postal labour disruption but all members have 24-hour access to EBSCO, one of the world's foremost research databases online. EBSCO provides access to five databases, offering 8,000 full-text journals, 700 full-text newspapers and 317,000 full-text education documents. Access these resources immediately, at no cost, by logging into the [\*\*Members' Area\*\*](#).

Don't have a login? Setting one up is easy. Just [\*\*click here\*\*](#).

If you are in the Toronto area, you are welcome to drop into the [\*\*Margaret Wilson Library\*\*](#) during regular business hours.

If you need to return materials during the postal labour disruption, you have lots of options. Visit our [web site](#) for more information.

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## CONTESTS FOR YOUR CLASSROOM

Whether your passion is the environment, problem solving, art or creative writing, there's a contest suited for your classroom. We've compiled a list of upcoming contests that will help you inspire your students and kick off the new school year with some fun.

Visit the Contests for Your Classroom page on our [web site](#).

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Your membership card can provide you with discounts at stores and attractions throughout Ontario.

## ENJOY SUMMER WITH OCT DISCOUNTS!



The warm weather is here and that means it's time to take advantage of the many discounts available to OCTs that will help you enjoy the summer. Visit the [College web site](#) to see a complete list of organizations that offer free admission and discounts across Ontario. Examples include:

- [Rogers Cup Tennis](#)
- [Niagara Parks, Niagara Falls area](#)
- [Toronto FC Soccer](#)
- [Eaglecrest Aerial Park, Bracebridge - Canopy Zipline Tours](#)
- [Camp Diamond](#)

Remember that the key to receiving your discounts on everything from a visit to the museum to a new computer purchase is simple — no card, no discount. Without seeing a valid OCT card, providers can't determine who is entitled to the special offers. To claim a discount by phone, mention that you are an Ontario Certified Teacher with a membership card.

If you visit an attraction that's not on our discount list, you might ask them to consider participating in our discount program. Organizations can e-mail [discounts@oct.ca](mailto:discounts@oct.ca) for more information.

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