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## YOUR COLLEGE AND YOU

### FEBRUARY 2012

Thank you for your interest in receiving breaking news and professional information from the Ontario College of Teachers.



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## VOTE NOW IN COUNCIL ELECTIONS



Voting for the Council election is now open. You can access your personalized ballot by logging in to your account in the **Members' Area** and following the eVote links. Don't have a Members' Area account? **Signing up** is quick and easy.

Your ballot will appear with the positions you may vote for at the top followed by a list of those who are acclaimed.

To find out more about your candidates, you can visit **candidate biographies**, the **online forum**, and **candidate blogs**.

Voting closes Tuesday, April 10 at 11:59 p.m. EDT. Election results will be posted to the web site April 12.

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## IPAD2 WINNER

Congratulations to Todd Peters, OCT who won our iPad2 draw. All members who receive *Your College and You* were entered into a random draw last month as our way of saying thank you for subscribing.

Todd, who teaches Grade 4 and is the computer support teacher at Springfield Public School in the Thames Valley DSB, is excited about using this technology in his classroom.

“It’s funny. I’ve been price shopping different tablets, smartphones and iPhones recently to use in my classroom to track student progress, make anecdotal comments and other things so winning an iPad2 is very timely,” says Todd.

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## WE HAVE EBOOKS FOR YOU!

You still have a chance to win a Kobo Touch eReader. Just check out our new collection of **ebooks** and enter our random draw.



The College’s **Margaret Wilson Library** has expanded its free services and added a collection of English and French ebooks. Our ebooks offer resources on a variety of topics including Special Education, classroom management, leadership strategies and teaching strategies.

Log in to your account in the **Members’ Area** to view the new collection and enter to win a Kobo Touch eReader.

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## THANK YOU FOR SUBSCRIBING

We'd like to say thank you for being a *Your College and You* subscriber by giving you a chance to win an iPad2! We'll enter your name into a random draw of current subscribers to be held on February 15. You don't have to do anything — it's that easy. Good luck!

Do you know another Ontario Certified Teacher who isn't yet receiving *Your College and You*? Let them know they can subscribe by visiting the **Members’ Area** of the College's web site. After signing in, they can simply:

- click on ‘Update Your Profile’
- check the box ‘I want to receive e-mail from the College’
- click Save.

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## DO YOU NEED CLASSROOM SUPPLIES?

Kids Bowl Free, an organization providing free summer bowling to children throughout North America, is offering teachers the chance to win a \$250 classroom supply grant through its Bowling To Teachers program.

Certified teachers working in kindergarten to Grade 8 classrooms are eligible to apply for one of the 400 grants.

For more information or to apply, visit the [Bowling To Teachers](#) web site and complete a short grant application.

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## NEW DISCOUNTS!

The list of organizations offering discounts keeps growing. Our newest ones include:

[Peterborough Mitsubishi](#)

[Seema Katyal, Royal LePage](#)

[Pat Arsenault Reflexology](#)

Make sure you have your OCT card with you when claiming a discount!

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## ***PROFESSIONALLY SPEAKING***

If there's one area teachers want to know about – and stay on top of – it's technology in the classroom. Meet four teachers using technology to help launch learning to a whole new level in the current issue of [\*Professionally Speaking\*](#).

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## CONTESTS FOR YOUR CLASSROOM

Visit our [web site](#) for upcoming contests that can help to inspire you and your students. New additions include:

April 17: Canadian Chemistry Contest (Grades 9-12)

May 31: James Bartleman Aboriginal Youth Creative Writing Award

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## SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK

This is your e-newsletter and we want to know what you think. Share your feedback about this issue of *Your College and You* [here](#).

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