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Your College and You

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

Your distinguishing mark

You know you're a professional. So does the College.

That's why we created the designation OCT — Ontario Certified Teacher — to remind parents, students and the public that you belong to a community of highly educated professionals.

Use your professional designation in your email signature, on letters to parents and students, report cards and on your business cards. It helps to distinguish you from other school staff who don't have the same responsibility that you do to lead students' educational programs.

For more information about your professional designation and how and when to use it, visit the [Members' Area](#).

Register now for the College Conference and save

The College's conference, *Inspiring Public Confidence*, will bring together leaders from the regulatory world, educators, researchers, policy-makers and an internationally recognized lineup of speakers to share and discuss the latest in education and self-regulation.

Don't miss your opportunity to attend this premier event, November 21-23 in Toronto.

Space is limited. [Register](#) by October 1st to receive the early bird rate of \$150.

Honour a leader

Do you know an individual, group, agency or institution operating within the public education sector in Ontario that significantly contributed to the public's confidence in Ontario education?

Nominate them for the *Inspiring Public Confidence* award. The recipient will be honoured at the College conference in Toronto on November 21-23 and will be awarded \$1,000.

Nominations will be accepted until October 1.

Exclusive travel deals for OCTs

It's never too early to start planning your next vacation. And we have savings for you!

We've partnered with Thomas Cook Travel to bring you exclusive travel offers just for Ontario Certified Teachers. They've launched a website just for College members and packed it with great deals.

Sign up for their eNewsletter by September 30th and save \$200 per couple on your next Sunquest vacation. You'll also be entered for a chance to win a seven-day March break cruise in the Bahamas.

Find out more about this deal and other exclusive offers on our **website**.

Technology in the classroom

Are you looking for creative teaching methods to support students identified with autism spectrum disorders or with other special needs?

In the latest issue of *Professionally Speaking*, **learn** about one way two teachers are using technology to reach their non-verbal students in our regular feature, Tech Class.

Tech Class explores fun, creative ways teachers are implementing computers, social media, webcams and other tools into their classrooms. If you are using technology in an innovative way to help launch learning to a whole new level, let us know at **ps@oct.ca**.

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