

Uncharted 2020: when there is no compass ***NBTA Virtual Early Career Teachers Conference*** ***September 2020 - February 2021***

Registration & Details for September Sessions Opens September 14 @ www.nbta.ca

The NBTA takes pride in providing support to our early career teachers. The signature provincial event for the last seven years has been the COMPASS CONFERENCE: Early Career Teachers Navigating the Professional World of Education. This year, as we enter unprecedented times in education, the NBTA is adopting a new conference theme to reflect the changing needs of the Association's newest members.

Uncharted 2020: When There Is No Compass is the NBTA's first virtual early career teacher conference. Uncharted 2020 sessions will be offered virtually between September 2020 and February 2021. Sessions will be a combination of live and asynchronous. Live sessions will be recorded and made available to members unable to participate during the scheduled time. Sessions are designed for the target audience of teachers in their first five years.

Uncharted 2020: When There Is No Compass Virtual Conference Overview:

- All conference offerings will run between September 2020 and February 2021. The monthly schedule will be made available on the 1st day of each month and will include a detailed description of the session and the name of the facilitator.
- Each session is scheduled between 3h30 – 4h15. We are aware that many schools have had to modify school start and end times and this time may need to be re-evaluated.
- There is no cost to attend any of the sessions within the conference offerings.
- All participants will need to register in advance in order to be emailed the link to the virtual platform. September registration open September 14. October – February registrations will open the 1st day of each month. Links will be distributed 48 hours before each live session.
- New/recorded sessions will be uploaded on the first day of each month and the previous month's sessions will be removed. Sessions will be housed in the members' only section of the NBTA website.
- Early career teachers can pick and choose the sessions they wish to attend. There is no need to be available for all live offerings in order to register.
- Initial conference offerings will be hosted on Zoom. NBTA is currently exploring other platforms for interactive sessions and these will be eventually incorporated.



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Conference Offerings:

- Five **Grey Matter Series** sessions:
 - **Grey Matter Series** sessions will address broad topics of interest to early career teachers and be scheduled over several months to allow a more in-depth treatment of the topic. The topic will not change but each month's session will be different.
 - Each **Grey Matter** group will meet once per month over five months.
 - Each **Grey Matter** group will have a different facilitator(s) who will oversee the interactive live session.
 - **Grey Matter Series** topics include:
 - Topic 1: NBTF and Your Collective Agreement
 - Topic 2: Curriculum and Assessment
 - Topic 3: Diversity
 - Topic 4: Classroom Management
 - Topic 5: Supply Teacher Spot
- Five **NBTA Navigation** sessions
 - **NBTA Navigation** sessions will address essential elements of the products and services provided by the New Brunswick Teachers' Association and partners.
 - Each **NBTA Navigation** session will occur live once .
 - **NBTA Navigation** sessions include:
 - Welcome to the Profession and Professional Learning
 - NBTF Group Insurance
 - Understanding Your Pension
 - Legal Issues and the NBTA Professional Code of Conduct
 - NBTA Communications
- Two **Elevation Events**
 - NBTA will offer two **Elevation Events**. These sessions will be designed to provide members with access to unique keynote speakers or information to extend their professional growth.
 - **Elevation Events** details will appear on the October Schedule.
- Five **Your Virtual Voice** sessions
 - **Your Virtual Voice** series is designed to allow early career teachers to network with colleagues, discuss and ask questions about hot-button topics and provide an avenue for the collective voice of early career members.
 - Each **Virtual Voice** session will occur live once per month over five months.

