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## Upper Canada occasional teacher, Diane Dewing, elected OTF President

**TORONTO, September 4, 2018** — At its Annual Meeting on August 21, 2018, the Ontario Teachers' Federation (OTF) Board of Governors elected Diane Dewing as the 75th OTF President.

Dewing began her teaching career in 1982 and became an occasional teacher in 1993. She has taught Core French at all levels, French Immersion for Grades 5-8, and has worked with special needs students. She was also a specialist teacher, teaching Morals and Ethics for Grades 7-11.

Dewing has been president of the Upper Canada Occasional Teacher Local since 2000 and a member of the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario (ETFO) executive since 2007. She has served as OTF Governor since 2010 and as OTF Table Officer since 2015. Dewing is active in her community, serving on the board of directors for both Community Living North Grenville and Lanark County Interval House.

"Education is an ever-changing field where more and more is asked of teachers and less and less is provided," states Dewing. "While teaching is for the passionate and committed, commitment and passion are not enough. The advocacy of OTF and the Affiliates is essential. OTF ensures that the unified voice of Ontario's teachers is heard."

Also elected at the same meeting were

Past President:	Chris Cowley, Brantford
First Vice-President:	Anne Vinet-Roy, Timmins
Second Vice-President:	Michelle Teixeira, Toronto

The Ontario Teachers' Federation is the advocate for the teaching profession in Ontario and for its 160,000 teachers. OTF members are full-time, part-time and occasional teachers in all the publicly funded schools in the province—elementary, secondary, public, Catholic and francophone.

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