



I would first like to thank those members who have encouraged me to accept the nomination and those who put the nominations forward for Local President. I believe members of any organization deserve choice when electing officials. I have been actively involved in the union since 2013, working my way through committees and then the local executive, currently serving as your local executive officer. Many members may best know me through my role on the Professional Learning Committee or we may have met at Professional Learning events. In addition to my work on the Local Executive and committee, I have been working full time in the classroom for the last 5 years. I am aware of what it feels like to have engaged and disengaged partnerships. I am aware of the hardships and benefits some of us have in this profession. I am fully committed to early learning and I believe we play an integral role in public education.

I would be honored to represent our membership at ETFO Provincial level as well as with our employer. While we are not going into a collective bargaining round, we still need to hold our employer accountable to the negotiated contract. As we scaffold learning for our students, I would like to do the same with our employer and the federation. While upholding our Collective Agreement, I would also like to work with the board to focus on a goal of healthy partnership and collaboration. In addition, I would also like to see accountability of the Ministry Kindergarten Document, through educating administration teams and providing more professional learning for partnerships in Kindergarten. At a Federation level, I'd like to be a strong voice for our members. I would value the opportunity to network with other locals and ensure our shared vision of DECE's in public education doesn't become jaded. I believe I can be a transformational and transparent leader to our membership. I encourage all members to exercise their right to vote on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at our Annual Meeting.

I invite you to forward your questions or concerns to [christine\\_murray@hotmail.com](mailto:christine_murray@hotmail.com) or contact me at 705-955-1258 to chat about a change in leadership. I look forward to hearing from you!