

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:

RCEs/CSAP Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee

Are you looking to make a real difference in your community? The Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee for the Regional Centres for Education (RCEs) and Conseil scolaire acadien provincial (CSAP) is looking for individuals with lived experience and/or individuals with expertise in the area of accessibility. We are currently recruiting for representation affiliated with the following regions: CCRCE (1 member), HRCE (1 member), SRCE (2 members), SSRCE (2 members), and TCRCE (1 member).

The Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee will provide advice on identifying, preventing, and removing barriers for students and staff with disabilities, including the development, implementation and review of Accessibility Plans, among other roles as identified by the RCEs/CSAP. More specifically:

- Members will be RCE/CSAP partners, such as staff, students, community partners, and community members.
- The Committee will be comprised of 16 members: 2 members from CSAP, and 2 members from each RCE.
- In accordance with the Accessibility Act, at least one half of the membership will be persons with disabilities or from an organization that represents persons with disabilities.
 - Disability includes a physical, mental, intellectual, learning, or sensory impairment—including an episodic disability—that, in interaction with a barrier, hinders an individual's full and effective participation in society.
- Attention will be given to ensuring diversity of first voice, expertise, and lived experience across the membership.
- Members shall be appointed for a term of 2 or 3 years.
- Meetings will be held quarterly at minimum. Most meeting will be held virtually.
- Members will be reimbursed for travel and expenses for in person meetings.

If this opportunity interests you, please submit the application form found on the following page to:

Name: Cordelia Gallant

E-mail: cgallant@nsecsb.ca

Subject line: RCE/CSAP Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee

The deadline for applications is 11:59pm, March 24, 2025.

If you require assistance with completing the application form or need it in an alternative format, please contact the Nova Scotia Education Common Services Bureau at 902-719-6533. We will be happy to assist you.

RCE/CSAP Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee Application Form

By completing the form below, I am pleased to express my interest in becoming a member of the RCE/CSAP Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee and agree to allow the Regional Centre for Education and Conseil scolaire acadien provincial Accessibility Working Group to review and assess my application for membership and agree to allow the Nova Scotia Education Common Services Bureau to accept my application on its behalf.

Applicant Name

Gender

Affiliated Regional Centre for Education

**Street
Address**

Postal Code

Telephone

Email Address

Please provide your response to each of the following questions below:

1. Describe how your lived experience, community involvement, education, work, and/or past committee involvement might be helpful to this committee:
2. Why are you interested in serving on this committee?
3. What contribution do you believe you can make to this committee?
4. What experience do you have in exchanging your views with others and in appreciating and respecting the skills, abilities and knowledge of others?
5. Are you a person with a disability, or do you represent an organization

representing people with disabilities?

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Yes

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No

Note: At least one half of the members of the RCE/CSAP Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee must have a disability or represent an organization that represents people with disabilities. Members with a variety of disabilities will bring diverse perspectives to this committee. We will strive to accommodate all members to ensure they are able to fully participate.

Organization/sector you are representing (if applicable): If you are a person with a disability or represent an organization representing people with disabilities, what disability/disabilities do you or does your organization represent?

6. Applicants are encouraged to self-identify. Do you identify with a historically marginalized community other than the disability community? If so, which community(s) do you identify with? (Optional)

Are you interested in an interview?

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Yes

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No

The final approval of appointments is given by the RCE/CSAP provincial Accessibility Working Group. If you would like more information about the approval process or the committee, please contact Cordelia Gallant at the Nova Scotia Education Common Services Bureau at cgallant@nsecsb.ca

This form should be emailed to cgallant@nsecsb.ca.

Applicant Signature

Date