

**ETFO's Equity and Women's Services' Workshops**  
**Why Poverty (AM Session) &**  
**2SLGBTQ+ Awareness in Primary Classrooms (PM Session)**

*Hosted by ETFO-YR Social Justice and Equity Committee*

**Who:** All ETFO-YR members (permanent contract)

**Date:** Monday, May 15, 2023 9:30 - 3:30 p.m.

**Release time and lunch will be provided**

**Location:** ETFO-YR 30 Eric T. Smith Way Aurora (lower level)

**Space is limited to 24 participants, so register EARLY!**

**Why Poverty (Presented By Charmain Brown, ETFO-YR Member)**

This workshop will explore attitudes towards and perceptions of poverty in a broader context. It will examine the impact of poverty in the classroom and school community, look at the many ways issues related to poverty can inform and impact teaching practice and explore the concept of becoming active in addressing poverty in the community. The workshop will include individual and group-shared discussions about issues of poverty, case studies related to the impact of poverty in classrooms and school communities, and provide resources to support teaching practice as well as school and community understanding.

**2SLGBTQ+ Awareness in Primary Classrooms (Presented By Velvet Lacasse)**

This workshop raises awareness that even our youngest students may confront issues of homophobia and heterosexism in relation to their families and peers as well as to their own gender identities. The workshop is designed to assist educators to explore these issues and find the courage and understanding to include all children and families in our schools and the global community.

**“EMAIL ONLY” REGISTRATION PROCESS**

Please email your **NAME, SCHOOL, PHONE NUMBER, PERSONAL/NON-BOARD EMAIL ADDRESS, DIETARY REQUIREMENTS (RELIGIOUS or MEDICAL only)** and the **NAME and DATE OF THE WORKSHOP** you are interested in to Jennifer Smalley Higgs at [jsmalleyhiggs@etfo-yr.on.ca](mailto:jsmalleyhiggs@etfo-yr.on.ca) no later than **3pm on April 12, 2023**. We will then conduct a draw for the participants. You will receive confirmation of your registration and the applicable release time codes by personal/non-board email.

**Attention:** please make sure your email filters will allow email from [jsmalleyhiggs@etfo-yr.on.ca](mailto:jsmalleyhiggs@etfo-yr.on.ca)