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Spring 2026 Newsletter

Update from your TESL Kingston Executive

Hello TESL Kingston members and friends,

TESL Kingston has concluded a full 2025-2026 year of professional development events and membership engagement activities, including:

- 2 Professional Development events
- 2 Social Mixes
- Weekly updates on social media
- 4 Membership Appreciation Draws

Much thanks to Bansari Shrivastava and Ann Chen who will be leaving their positions on the Executive. Their commitment and time spent organizing and running our events has been much appreciated!

Todd Scott will be your new Executive President for the 2026-2027 year. Look to our website or social media platforms for introductions of your new Executive members and plans for the upcoming year.

Stay tuned for more information about the Fall '26 Professional Development Workshop. Please submit your workshop ideas and PD needs to TESLKingston@gmail.com.

Kendra Noble
2025-2026 President

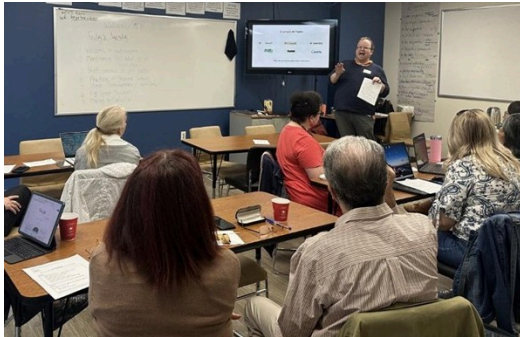


Did you miss our Spring 2026 Professional Development Event?

TESL professionals and interested community members from a wide range of organizations attended our May 23rd 'Using AI in ESL Instruction and Administrative Tasks' workshop. TESL assessors, instructors, tutors, volunteers, and administrators attended from:

- Queen's School of English
- KEYS LINC
- Kingston Literacy and Skills LINC
- Immigrant Services Kingston and Area
- Monarch Languages
- CFB Kingston
- Achev LINC Homestudy

In response to membership requests for hands-on workshops, this event involved an overview of different AI platforms along with participants sharing how they use AI in the classroom. The workshop included time practicing using AI for different tasks and networking with peers.



TESL Kingston Chapter Service Award Recipient



Chapter Service Award

Thank you Todd, for building TESL Kingston's social media presence and keeping on top of the weekly social media postings.

Thanks to your commitment and dedication, TESL Kingston has consistently stayed connected and engaged with its membership.



Todd Scott, TESL Kingston
Membership Secretary and Social Media Manager

Do you know a TESL Kingston member who has contributed valuable skills, expertise and commitment to our TESL Chapter? Contact TESLKingston@gmail.com for more information on how to submit a nomination form.

Membership Appreciation Draw Winner



Alka Sood

Winner!

Member Appreciation Quarterly Draw



Alka's latest teaching assignment at Kingston Literacy and Skills (KLS) was facilitating a CLB 1 Online Class and CLB 2 Online Class synchronously and

asynchronously. Teaching has always been her passion because it provides scope for inspiring, becoming inspired and being inclusive while promoting engagement and connectedness with the world outside the classroom. After having been in the teaching profession for more than thirty years, she considers herself a life-long learner and an empathetic teacher who believes in G.B. Shaw's philosophy: *"I am not a teacher, only a fellow traveller of whom you asked the way. I pointed ahead – ahead of myself as well as you."*

Have you entered TESL Kingston's Quarterly Members' Draw?



Are you following us on **social media**?

You might want to!

If.....

- ☐ you are a TESL Ontario member,
- ☐ you follow us on at least one social media account, and
- ☐ you comment or like on at least one of our social media posts

.....your name will start being included in our quarterly draw for a *\$25.00 gift certificate*.



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