

RE-ELECT

JEISHAN RAJAKULASINGAM

FOR

ETFO - Toronto Occasional Teachers' Local 2023/2024 Executive Member

Credentials

- INTERIM 2ND VICE PRESIDENT 2022-23
- ETFO-TORONTO OT LOCAL EXECUTIVE MEMBER 2020-23
- RACIALIZED MEMBERS COMMITTEE CHAIR 2020-23
- COLLECTIVE BARGAINING TABLE TEAM 2021-22, 2022-2023
- POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE CHAIR 2020-21, 2022-23
- EQUITY & SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE CHAIR 2019-20
- ETFO ANNUAL MEETING DELEGATE 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023
- ONTARIO FEDERATION OF LABOUR BIENNIAL CONVENTION DELEGATE 2021
- ETFO TOT LOCAL HEALTH AND SAFETY INSPECTOR ALTERNATE 2020-2023
- 9 YEARS OT/LTO EXPERIENCE



Bio

Advocating

- FAIR HEALTH AND DENTAL BENEFITS FOR ALL OTS
- ACCESS TO PAID SICK DAYS FOR DAILY OTS
- ACCESS TO PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS FOR OTS
- PAID PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS FOR OTS
- HEALTHY AND SAFE WORK ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL OTS
- GREATER UNION TRANSPARENCY AND COMMUNICATION WITH OTS
- INCREASE MEMBER INVOLVEMENT
- DECREASING MINIMUM DAY REQUIREMENTS TO STAY ON THE TDSB OT LIST

As a Tamil refugee who has fled civil war and a genocide in Sri Lanka and experienced oppression and injustice, I can proudly say I am a resilient Tamil-Canadian activist. I see the great potential of this union. That is why over the last several years I have committed my time and efforts to make a difference in this union with the goal of empowering our members and bettering working conditions. My vision for our local is to provide our members with fair health and dental benefits, paid sick days, paid professional development days, healthy and safe work environments, greater union transparency and communication, increasing member involvement, and decreasing the minimum days to stay on the OT list. I have been an OT/LTO for the last 9 years of my teaching career. I currently sit on the ETFO - Toronto OT Local's Executive and was the Interim 2nd Vice President this year. I am one of the local's Health and Safety Inspectors and sit on the Racialized Members Committee as Chair and Political Action Committee as Chair. Over the last few years I have played an integral part as a grassroots member in organizing, hosting, and empowering members through various workshops with the Equity and Social Justice Committee, Political Action Committee, Social Committee and the Racialized Members Committee. I was a delegate at the 2021 Ontario Federation of Labour's Biennial Convention representing ETFO and advocating for all Ontario workers. I have also been a voting delegates at the ETFO Provincial Annual Meeting since 2020. If elected, I will continue to be able to work directly with our Local's Executive and advocate on your behalf for the benefit of all our members. I thank you for your continuous support and hope to have your vote!