RE-ELECT

JEISHAN RAJAKULASINGAM

ETFO - Toronto Occasional Teachers' Local 2024/2025 Executive Member

Credentials

- 2023-2024 TDSB-ETFO HEALTH & SAFETY INSPECTOR
- ETFO OT LOCAL JOINT H&S REP 2023-2024
- INTERIM 2ND VICE
 PRESIDENT 2022-23
- ETFO-TORONTO OT LOCAL EXECUTIVE MEMBER 2020-24
- RACIALIZED MEMBERS
 COMMITTEE CHAIR 2020-23
- COLLECTIVE BARGAINING TABLE TEAM 2021-23
- POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE
 CHAIR 2020-23
- EQUITY & SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE CHAIR 2019-20
- ETFO ANNUAL MEETING DELEGATE 2020 - 2023
- ONTARIO FEDERATION OF LABOUR BIENNIAL CONVENTION DELEGATE 2021
- 10 YEARS OT/LTO EXPERIENCE



Advocating

- INCREASE MEMBER
 INVOLVEMENT
- 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
- SAFE WORK ENVIRONMENTS FOR ALL OTS
- GREATER UNION TRANSPARENCY AND COMMUNICATION WITH OTS
- DECREASING MINIMUM DAY REQUIREMENTS TO STAY ON THE TDSB OT LIST

As a Tamil refugee who fled civil war and genocide in Sri Lanka, I've faced oppression and injustice, shaping me into a resilient Tamil-Canadian activist. Over recent years, I've dedicated myself to enhancing our union, aiming to empower members and improve working conditions. My vision for our local includes fair health and dental benefits, paid sick days, professional development opportunities, safer work environments, enhanced transparency and communication within the union, increased member engagement, and a reduction in minimum days required to stay on the OT list.

In my ten-year teaching career as an OT/LTO, I've served on various committees and roles within ETFO – Toronto OT Local, including as Interim 2nd Vice President. I currently hold the position of full-time Health and Safety Inspector and serve as the OT Representative on the TDSB Joint H&S Committee. Additionally, I've chaired the Racialized Members Committee and the Political Action Committee, contributing as a grassroots organizer and facilitator for workshops focused on equity, social justice, and member empowerment.

Representing ETFO at the 2021 Ontario Federation of Labour's Biennial Convention and participating as a voting delegate at the ETFO Provincial Annual Meeting since 2020, I've actively advocated for all Ontario workers. If elected, I'll continue working closely with our Local's Executive, tirelessly advocating for the betterment of all members. Thank you for your unwavering support, and I humbly ask for your vote.