

ANNUAL PSA DAY
CONFERENCE
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Morning Workshops



5. SANCTUARY SCHOOLS: A CHILD'S RIGHT TO EDUCATION

AOEC is hosting this workshop for a second year. Last year, the workshop was a space to learn about the issue and how to get involved with the Sanctuary School movement. This year, we will be welcoming youth to speak about the issue of tying education to immigration status. We plan on discussing how borders affect youth and education.



Oliver Kollar (he/him) was born on the unceded traditional territory of the Tsimshian people. Oliver is bi-racial with family from Mexico and Hungary. Oliver is an ELL educator working with newcomer youth in Vancouver, BC. He is committed to reconciliation and anti-racism. Oliver is an executive member of the Anti-Oppression Educators Collective. Oliver is an avid cyclist and loves spending time in nature.



Susan Ruzic (she/her/hers) is a retired elementary school educator and the previous assistant director of social justice programs at the BC Teacher's Federation. She is a past president of the Peace and Global Educators Provincial Specialist Association (PAGE PSA) which has evolved into the Anti Oppression Educators Collective (AOEC) and she currently is a member at large. She believes that we are the ones we've been waiting for and there is no time like the present to begin making our school and union spaces intentionally welcoming, inclusive spaces that are willing to listen carefully to those voices most often overlooked and incorporate new ways of being, doing and supporting to build and maintain relationships.