



Winter 2025

NEWSLETTER

ONTARIO BUSINESS EDUCATORS' ASSOCIATION



Winners of
OBEA'S
Grade 11
and 12
Accounting
Contests -
Proudly
sponsored by
CPA-Ontario.

President's Message:

As winter draws near, it is inspiring to reflect on the progress we have made during the school year. The past months have been filled with meaningful learning, renewed teamwork, and a shared focus on student achievement. Your dedication continues to nurture a strong and vibrant educational community.

On Saturday, October 18, 2025, OBEA celebrated the accomplishments of students across Ontario who took part in our annual OBEA Contests. Our appreciation goes to Audrey Hogarth, OBEA's Contest Coordinator, for organizing this event. This occasion truly stands out as the highlight of our year. It was a great success thanks to everyone—students, parents, Executive members, and teachers—for their involvement.

As we look ahead to the new year, we carry forward our momentum and expectations. We remain committed to creating engaging learning environments, supporting student well-being, and strengthening connections within our school communities. This is also a time to reaffirm our shared goals: maintaining high professional standards, continuing innovation in our practices, and embracing growth opportunities as they arise.

Thank you for your ongoing dedication and the care you bring to your work each day. Together, we will face the winter months with purpose and look ahead to the new year with optimism, clarity, and a commitment to excellence.

Emilia Marotta-Kulcsar, OBEA President
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Current Events:

On Saturday, October 18, 2025, OBEA celebrated the student achievement of Ontario students who participated in this year's OBEA Contests. OBEA wishes to commend our Contest Coordinator, **Audrey Hogarth**, for the countless hours in making this event a truly memorable one. Our thanks are also extended to the many Contest Chairs, who devoted their time and efforts to selecting their respective Contest winners. Students, parents, family members, teachers, and our Executive Committee attended this celebration of student excellence at the DoubleTree by Hilton Airport West Hotel.

Our sincere thanks go out to our OBEA Accounting Contests sponsor, **CPA-Ontario**. The Chartered Professional Accountants Association of Ontario specifically sponsors both our Grade 11 and 12 Accounting Contest winners.

Our gratitude is also extended to our Keynote Speaker, **Douglas Price**. His address was truly well-received by all. His book, *Seventeen to Millionaire*, is available at Amazon.ca

OBEA'S ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE

Friday, April 17, 2026

DoubleTree by Hilton Toronto Airport West Hotel

5444 Dixie Road

Mississauga, Ontario

Reserve Department, SHSM, and Union Funds now!!!

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Upcoming Events & Deadlines:



Late November, 2025 -
Workshop Proposals Open

January 30, 2026 -
Workshop Proposals
Deadline

February 10, 2026 - CPA-
Ontario and OBEA Virtual
Event

Sponsor Spotlight: KICK CONFERENCE

KICK Conference is designed to bridge the gap between high school and university. It provides students with the opportunity to explore the business world, gain insight into first-year university life, and learn about the application process for their desired programs, all through the lens of industry professionals and university leaders.

To find out more, contact
info@kickconference.com

"Thank you for inspiring the next generation of innovators and leaders. We can't wait to KICK off another amazing year with your school!"

Lessons and Resources: "The McWages Index"

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About this lesson:

The Economist created the "McWages Index" in 2004 to compare how far a day's pay stretches in various countries around the world. What explains why some jobs pay so much better than others?

Use this lesson to help students:

- Understand the difference between a salary and a wage
- Explore pay in different countries
- Debate what is fair

A typical American worker earns six times as much as a typical Mexican worker. A star footballer makes 100 times more than a firefighter. Why is this?



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“ExplorAltion 2.0” is a virtual conference that aims to bring educators together to explore the transformative impact of AI on learning environments in Ontario. Attendees will have the opportunity to network, forge new partnerships, and discover innovative AI tools and platforms that are shaping the future of education. The key objectives of the conference series are: knowledge sharing, networking, showcasing innovation, building collaborative opportunities, and ethics and responsibility. Here are the available dates: **Tuesday, December 2; Tuesday, January 13; Wednesday, February 25; and Thursday, April 2.**

If you are interested, the cost is only \$30 (down from \$60). You will be issued a code. Register now at <https://ecoo.org/exploration-2-0/> before the spots fill up.

CPA-Ontario’s TCP–Teacher Colleague Program

Details found in <https://www.cpaontario.ca/become-a-cpa/high-school-student-teacher-colleague-program>.

Grade 11
Accounting
Classes

SHSM
Certifications

CPB--Certified Professional Bookkeepers

Details found in <https://www.cpbcan.ca>
Professional Development Webinars and Workshops

RPA-Registered Professional Accountant Designation

Details found in <https://rpacanada.org/designations/>