

# THINKING OF RETIRING SOON?



Active Retired Membership (ARM) in OSSTF/FEESO offers retired members of OSSTF/FEESO an opportunity for continuing involvement with the educational community at both the local and provincial level.

Local Chapters of Active Retired Members have been or are being organized to provide members with opportunities to gather for social events and/or political action activities. The experience, skills and abilities of retired members are valuable resources that should be utilized to further goals in areas such as political action, legislative lobbying, crisis assistance, research, communications and public relations.

## WHY JOIN OSSTF/FEESO AS AN ACTIVE RETIRED MEMBER?

- ARM Chapter newsletters to keep members informed about relevant pension, legal, social and political action matters
- Provincial mailings such as OSSTF/FEESO Education Forum, Update and the Pocket Guide
- Access to Edvantage Discount Program
- Access to ARM Health Benefit Plan—For full ARM Health Benefit Plan details, go online at the OSSTF/FEESO website ([osstf.on.ca](http://osstf.on.ca)) and click on Active Retired Members or call OTIP/RAEO at 1.800.267.6847
- Retirement and pension information
- Involvement with retired colleagues in local social and other community activities, and travel opportunities
- Low \$50 annual membership fee payable January 1—the fee is waived until January 1 following enrolment. Also, if you are joining the ARM Health Plan, the ARM membership fee is collected with the January benefit premium

For an application to become an Active Retired Member contact your local District/Bargaining Unit, contact the Provincial Office or go to the OSSTF/FEESO website ([osstf.on.ca](http://osstf.on.ca)) and click on the Active Retired Members icon. Additional information can be found at [armcouncil.org](http://armcouncil.org).