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Nominations for the CUPE National literacy award

Do you know a CUPE member or group of members who champion workplace literacy and clear language? Get your nomination in by September 8, 2011.

The CUPE National Literacy Working Group is looking for a **literacy champion**. This is a member or group of members who have promoted workplace literacy or clear language. Literacy champions do different things.

A literacy champion might:

- encourage other CUPE members to learn
- model lifelong learning by following their own learning goals
- raise awareness on literacy or clear language within the union and workplace
- help build the union through literacy or clear language

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There are many ways to be a literacy champion. The member(s) may have participated in a literacy program or helped start one in their local. Or they may have promoted worker education in some other way.

What do we mean by literacy?

Literacy is the ability to read, write, work with numbers, problem-solve, communicate and think critically at whatever level is basic to the task at hand. Literacy empowers us to:

- assert our rights and build our union
- act as full citizens and change society
- question, evaluate, and envision
- develop our knowledge and potential at work, at home, and in our community

What is clear language?

- language that readers can understand
- design that makes documents easy to read and easy to use

For more information on the CUPE Literacy Program, go to **www.cupe.ca/literacy**

Champions will be CUPE members in good standing. CUPE staff and individual members of the CUPE National Literacy Working Group are not eligible.

To nominate someone, please fill
out this form and send it to:

CUPE National Literacy Award
Union Development Department
1375 St. Laurent Blvd.
Ottawa, Ontario K1G 0Z7
Fax: (613) 237-5508

LITERACY AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Member or group of members you are nominating:

Name:

Local Union Number:

Mailing Address / Number and Street:

City:

Province:

Postal Code:

Home Telephone: ()

Work: ()

Email Address:

Years as a CUPE member:

Your name and contact information:

Name:

Local Union Number:

Mailing Address / Number and Street:

City:

Province:

Postal Code:

Home Telephone: ()

Work: ()

Fax: ()

Email:

This nomination is supported by:

Local President's Signature:

Signature

Name (please print)

AND

Local or Division Executive
Member's Signature:

Signature

Name (please print)

Please tell us why you are nominating this member (or group of members) for the CUPE National literacy award. Consider the examples from the first page, and add your own.

What has the member(s) done to champion workplace literacy or clear language?

How has the member(s) influenced other members and the union in terms of literacy or clear language?

How long has the member(s) been involved in union literacy or clear language?

Other comments?
