

Ontario
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Ordre des enseignantes et des enseignants de l'Ontario

Ontario's Teaching Regulator L'organisme de règlementation de l'enseignement en Ontario

# Ontario College of Teachers Strategic Plan: 2024-28



## **Desired Future State**

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### Where we are going

- In 10 years, we will:
  - Act in a manner that is, above all else, **student-focused**.
  - Be recognized by the public and our stakeholders as the regulator of the teaching profession whose
    processes and decisions are independent of the government and the profession.
  - Engage all of our **stakeholders** in a meaningful and structured manner, recognizing that their interests and the public interest will not always be aligned.
  - Allocate resources to address the most impactful and likely risks or problems for which regulatory intervention is warranted.
  - Be as transparent as possible in respect of everything we do.
  - Learn and adapt continuously, anticipating and adapting to changes to the regulatory challenges facing the teaching profession.
  - Make decisions based on the rigorous collection and analysis of data.
  - Be consistent in all of our operations, processes, and decisions and reduce as much as possible the barriers to **truth and reconciliation**, and **equity, diversity, inclusion, and access**.
  - Have a collaborative system-wide prevention model aimed at reducing investigative and disciplinary matters through education, accountability, and early intervention.

**Note:** The value of articulating a 10-year vision or desired future state as part of a five-year Strategic Plan is that it orients the organization toward the long-term, beyond short-term opportunities and challenges that can limit aspirational thinking. A Strategic Plan, if operationalized effectively, will advance the organization toward the desired future state over the five-year strategy cycle. An analogy is when runners mentally break up a marathon into, say, five-kilometre sections as part of the longer race.

## Legislative Objects

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## The legal basis of our operations

- To regulate the profession of teaching and to govern its members [licensees].
- 2. To develop, establish and maintain qualifications for membership [licensees] in the College.
- 3. To accredit professional teacher education programs offered by post-secondary educational institutions.
- 4. To accredit ongoing education programs for teachers offered by post-secondary educational institutions and other bodies.
- 5. To issue, renew, amend, suspend, cancel, revoke and reinstate certificates of qualification and registration.
- To provide for the ongoing education of members [licensees] of the College.
- 7. To establish and enforce **professional standards** and ethical standards applicable to members [licensees] of the College.
- 8. To receive and **investigate complaints** against members [licensees] of the College and to deal with discipline and fitness to practise issues.
- 9. To develop, provide and accredit educational programs leading to certificates of qualification additional to the certificate required for membership [licensees], including but not limited to certificates of qualification as a supervisory officer, and to issue, renew, amend, suspend, cancel, revoke and reinstate such additional certificates.
- 10. To communicate with the public on behalf of the members [licensees] of the College.
- 11. To perform such additional functions as are prescribed by the regulations.

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Why we exist

Purpose



We serve the public interest by regulating the teaching profession to protect students



What we will accomplish

Goals



Accountable and agile processes to certify educators to teach in Ontario classrooms

Teachers who are informed of, and held accountable to, professional standards

### Public Interest

Efficient and proportionate responses to alleged and actual misconduct, incompetence, and incapacity

A clear and independent role in the education system



Functions, values, and behaviours

**Enablers** 



A regulatory model that strives to be free from barriers to truth and reconciliation, and equity, diversity, inclusion, and access

The collection, analysis, and responsible sharing of data to improve decision-making

Responsive client service for all stakeholders



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