

Membership Advantages

ARTA
ALBERTA RETIRED
TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION



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ARTA is more than a Health Benefit Plan provider; it's a vibrant, robust organization with a wide variety of services to offer our members, no matter what stage of life you're in.

Through your ARTA membership, you can access wellness information and activities, retirement planning resources, post-secondary scholarships, social activities, preferred discounts with various partners, and so much more.

ARTA's History

ARTA was established in 1963 as a province-wide, non-profit organization. Its goal was to offer social activities to its members and to look at issues affecting retired teachers. In 1995 the ARTA Benefit Plans were added to its list of services available to members.

Since then, ARTA has grown to over 28,500 members made up of retirees and active employees from across many different sectors. ARTA's story continues to evolve as it grows and consults members on the things that matter to them.

What's next for ARTA is up to you.



Eligibility

EDUCATION SECTOR Regular Membership

\$25
per year

Available to **Alberta teachers** who have contributed to the Alberta Teachers' Retirement Fund (ATRF) for five or more years, and surviving spouses.

EDUCATION SECTOR Affiliate Membership

\$50
per year

Available to those who have contributed to an Alberta government-sponsored pension plan for five or more years OR have made matching contributions to their employer-sponsored retirement savings plan for at least 50 months over a consecutive five-year period, including:

- **Support staff** from Alberta public and separate schools.
- **Substitute teachers** from Alberta public and separate schools.
- **ATA** and **ATRF** retired employees.
- **School board trustees** who are over the age of 55 years.
- **Teachers from other provinces and territories**, living in Alberta at time of application.
- **Educators** and **support staff** from Alberta universities, colleges, and technical schools, or those from other provinces living in Alberta at time of application.
- **Surviving spouses** of the above.

PUBLIC SECTOR Affiliate Membership

\$50
per year

Those who have contributed to an Alberta government sponsored pension plan or a public sector pension plan for five or more years (excluding CPP), including:

- **Public Sector employees** (provincial and municipal) vested in an Alberta government-sponsored pension plan.
- Retired employees who are **not** participating in a government pension plan and who were employees of the government as **deputy ministers** or **executive assistants**.
- **Surviving spouses** of the above.

PRIVATE SECTOR Professional groups approved by ARTA

\$50
per year

Any group that has been reviewed and recommended by ARTA's Health and Wellness Benefits Consultant and approved by the ARTA Board of Directors, including:

- The Association of Science and Engineering Technology Professionals of Alberta (ASET)
- Chartered Professional Accountants (CPA)
- Chartered Professionals in Human Resources (CPHR)

Does your group make the list?

Visit artabenefits.net/partners to see the full list of approved groups.



ARTA's Strategic Goals

ARTA is governed by a set of four guiding principals, that influence every level of the organization's decision-making process and link its members with a common purpose: to ensure healthy, active, and vibrant lifestyles.

 **Member Services**

 **Wellness**

 **Advocacy**

 **Organizational Excellence**



Looking Ahead

ARTA was founded by members themselves, and the Association's growth and expansion over the last sixty years has been in response to member goals, desires, and feedback. This member-centred outlook continues to guide ARTA as it looks ahead to the future.

As ARTA continues to grow, there are a few things that you can be certain will be reflected in your member experience:

-  **ARTA is dedicated to providing high-quality services to members**
-  **ARTA promotes wellness in all its forms**
-  **ARTA is an advocate for you on issues that matter**
-  **ARTA is an effective, ethical, and transparent organization.**



Visit arta.net/strategic-plan to read
LOOKING AHEAD,
ARTA's Strategic Plan.

SOME OF THE PERKS OF MEMBERSHIP INCLUDE:

ARTA Benefit Plans



Comprehensive health and dental coverage with optional emergency travel insurance

ARTA Discount Program



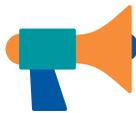
Access discounts just for ARTA members from a large variety of businesses

Wellness Activities



Physical and mental wellness events hosted throughout the year to keep members active

Advocacy



Resources and support at the provincial and national levels, protecting the interests of educators and seniors

Scholarships



Scholarships for family members to support their education and growth

Board of Directors



Elected from among ARTA's membership, allowing ARTA's future to be guided by members themselves

Staying Connected



Regular communications, newsletters, and magazines, connecting members to news, ideas, and conversations

Mental Health Resources



Providing support for members through life's challenges

Economic Resources



Helping members prepare for retirement and make sense of their finances

Scholarships

ARTA provides scholarships to students who are related to an ARTA member and are currently enrolled in a certificate, diploma, or undergraduate program. These scholarships recognize academic achievement, community involvement, volunteer work, future goals, and personal accomplishments.

Scholarships are awarded to twelve students each year, split evenly between two categories:



ARTA-TW Insurance Brokers Degree Scholarship

Six scholarships up to \$5,000 are available to students enrolled in a degree-granting, post-secondary institution.



ARTA Diploma/Certificate Scholarship

Six scholarships up to \$5,000 are available to students enrolled in a diploma or certificate program at a post-secondary institution.



ARTA awards up to
\$40,000
in scholarships each year.

ARTA Discount Program

Planning a vacation or buying a new car? Looking for a fitness membership or going for a nice dinner out?

ARTA can help you save on these and so much more!

ARTA's member discount program offers a variety of discounts. Use your MyARTA account to get deals for car rentals, entry at special attractions, and a variety of other businesses around the province. When you become a member, you will receive instructions on how to access the discount program. The discounts and exclusive offers help members achieve their goals of living active and engaged lifestyles.

Travel Partners

ARTA members gain access to exclusive travel deals through our three travel partners. Enjoy discounts on travel packages to destinations around the world — independent trips, group excursions, cruises, long stays, and more!

For more information on the types of trips available, visit our partner webpages.

Collette
arta.net/collette

Merit Travel
merittravel.com/arta-member-benefits

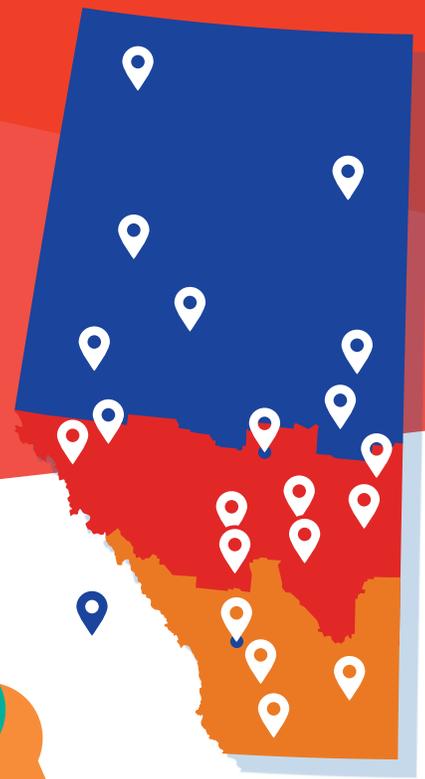
Trip Merchant
arta.net/tripmerchant



ARTA Branches

ARTA Branches offer connection on the local level. With seventeen branches across Alberta, and one in British Columbia, you're never far from a group of passionate, like-minded professionals.

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Volunteer

Community outreach opportunities offer the ability to utilize your passions and interests to help others.



Social

Enjoy connection with like-minded professionals and individuals. Discover companionship while attending fun group activities.



Workshops

Take part in interesting, informative, and hands-on workshops hosted by experts in a variety of fields.



Special Events

Attend conferences and special events planned with the interests of retired teachers in mind.



Travel

Take advantage of opportunities to travel in groups or individually. Explore the world through day trips, national trips, and international trips, all organized at the local level.



Wellness

Gain access to physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual wellness programs hosted in your community.

...these, and many more great reasons to join!



Supporting Seniors in Alberta

ARTA, through its charitable foundation, aims to help all seniors secure appropriate housing, health services, and access to English-as-a-second-language education. Its goal is not only to help secure Alberta's future — but to help secure your future life as a retiree as well.

Consider donating to the foundation in honour or memory of a teacher that helped shape your life. When you donate, you help ensure the future of all Alberta citizens, while investing in your own retirement by supporting partners like Parkinson Association of Alberta, the Alzheimer Society of Alberta and Northwest Territories, and Operation Friendship Seniors Society.

Feel good knowing that you are helping seniors gain access to the resources they need, but could otherwise not afford.

Find out more at arta.net/advocacy/artcf.



Benefit Plans for Every Lifestyle



You can
join ARTA
at
ANY AGE!

Did you know **YOU HAVE CHOICES IN YOUR BENEFIT PLAN?**

ARTA started out as a Health Benefits provider for retirees, but over the years, we've discovered that there are many active employees who are still working and eager to access our renowned Health Benefit Plans.

Whether you are still employed, retired, or semi-retired, as long as you are eligible to join ARTA, you already qualify for coverage.

**Visit artabenefits.net to
choose the benefit plan that
works for your lifestyle.**

THE HIGHLIGHTS



Plan diversity that covers a variety of retirement lifestyles. You can choose the level and style of coverage that best suits your unique retirement goals, including options for single, couple, and family coverage.



Emergency Travel Insurance coverage for sudden and unforeseen medical travel expenses when you leave your province of residence, including COVID-19, no matter the travel advisory. ARTA travel coverage is unique and does not include a termination age, pre-existing conditions clauses, or stability clauses.



Trip Cancellation and Interruption Insurance with plan options that include \$10,000 in coverage per covered person, per trip.



Three Stand-Alone Dental Care Options with preventative, minor, or major services coverage available.

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 @TheARTAChannel

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Committed to ARTA members from your first quote to when you need us most.

“Being a broker gives us access to more options for ARTA members, including the best coverage and value available.”

*Vanessa Delorey,
TW Sales & Services Representative*



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Don't wait, join ARTA today!



ARTA
BENEFIT PLANS

Not covered by a benefit plan? We can help.

Contact us to learn more about the ARTA Benefit Plans and take some of the worry out of life.

Alberta Retired Teachers' Association

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