

AFFINITY INFORMATION – October 2020

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There are benefits to membership in the BC Retired Principals & Vice-Principals' Association.

Check out the newsletter updates section at <https://bcrpvpa.ca/membership-benefits/> for special sales Members have been offered discounts or offers for discounts through”

Perkopolis/Chalkboard Plus presents special offers to our education community. New members need to download the Perkopolis app or email <https://www.perkopolis.com/registration-chalkboard> and sign on using a personalized BCRPVPA code obtained by emailing info@bcrpvpa.ca. Recently, discounts were on a wide variety of offerings: Apple, Lenovo and other electronics, trips, car rentals, cellphones, merchandise such as shoes, clothing, special events, home products, etc. Monthly updates with new offerings continue to make this site attractive for BCRPVPA members. If you have previously subscribed, you have automatically been transferred so nothing is required on your part. See more under affinity info.

Endless Savings & More (ESM) to their smart phone to save! After downloading the app use the organizational code: **bcrpvpa** Same of the present exclusive offers include: \$100 Rogers cellphone credit and up to 40% off Cooperators home insurance. Savings also include Park n' Fly, dining, food, clothing, shoes, finance, business and home and garden. See ESM Welcome Message under affinity icon information.



Trip Merchant –Offers Personalized travel at discounted rates and a loyalty programme for our members and he works with other travel agencies such as Collette to maximize your benefits.

This website is password protected for members only access. Simply click on this link <https://bcrpvpa.tripmerchant.ca/>. Once you click on it, you will have to enter your password, which is "BCRPVPATM18". This password is case sensitive to be sure to enter exactly as shown.

To find out more Contact Tom MacLean – Co-Founder of Trip Merchant Telephone: 604-329-7650 Email: tom@tripmerchant.com and he will be most pleased to help you. See more under affinity information. A comprehensive monthly newsletter, trip videos and several contests available.

HearingLife - use your BCRPVPA membership card or contact info@bcrpvpa.ca for a card replacement

HearingLife is the largest hearing health care provider in Canada with over 200 of wholly owned clinics and another 100 network partner clinics. Our brands throughout BC include HearingLife and NexGen Hearing.

HearingLife is the only hearing care organization throughout Canada that covers all 4 major core areas of the hearing industry including:

- Hearing devices
- Hearing implants
- Diagnostic equipment
- Personal communication devices

This gives BCRPVPA members unparalleled access to the best professionals and information at any given time.

BCRPVPA member benefits with HearingLife – (these benefits would extend to immediate family members)

- 10% off the everyday price of hearing aids or an additional 10% off on top of any limited time promotional price
- 3 years of complimentary batteries with the purchase of hearing aids
- Up to 2000 Air mile reward miles with the purchase of hearing aids
- Up to 50 Air mile reward miles for completing a FREE hearing test
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Avis Rental Cars BC Retired Principals & Vice Principals Travelers can save from 5 to 30% off Avis base rates** when making a reservation with Avis Worldwide Discount (AWD) number C358500. Complete your reservation and receive instant online and email confirmation of your travel plans. **depends on make and model of vehicle and seasonal rates.

Enterprise, National and Budget Rentals - Sign up for Perkopolis/Chalkboard Plus above to access preferred pricing. Your personal code is obtained through info@bcrpvpa.ca

Park N'Fly Savings – Sign up for ESM savings listed below to access these discounts

West Jet – Sign up for Perkopolis/Chalkboard Plus to maximize your savings

The CPEAC is **The Canadian Public Employee Acquisition Club**. Open to all retired and working public employees. It is free to register. Go to <http://cpeac.org>. to sign up.

CPEAC.org is coupled with Crowd Clout with the “Intention Economy”, where the buyer notifies the market of the intent to buy and sellers compete for the buyer’s purchases. CPEAC.org is the banner under which Crowd Clout empowers every Canadian Public Employee as consumers to exercise their collective purchasing strength. Under CPEAC.org federal, provincial, and municipal employees throughout Canada are encouraged to unite to create the largest purchasing force in the country.

You must be registered to receive the monthly key link merchandise by email. These include cellphone options, insurance, technology, clothing, house wares, gardening, business, etc.

Carter Auto Group Looking for a new car or truck? Purchase **any** make or model of a, brand new vehicle at a reduced price! One of the best Affinity benefits, is the Carter Auto Group offer for our members. Do your own research and decide on the make and model of the car you are considering. You can even ask for the price on two different vehicles! Know the colour and options you want, then you are ready to get started. Contact LYNDEN BEST, Account manager, at: Lynden.best@carterauto.com Cell: 604-916-2378, Direct line: 604-292-2107, or toll free: 1-877-311-2266.

Some practical tips before you contact Lynden:

1. Do your research, know your options and colour
2. Visit a dealership, that your model out for a test drive
3. Check out what your model would cost from a dealer, so you can have a comparison
4. If you feel you have made your decision, give Lynden a call.

Allan reports:

‘I went through this process this past year and it was my first time working with Lynden. Lynden is very professional. He lets you know how he can assist you. He is very prompt in returning either your call or email.

I as looking for a 2020 Toyota Avalon and Lynden quickly informed me that he would not be able to order one because Toyota deals with their own managers. But this was not a problem, because Lynden quickly contacted one of his Toyota counterparts and he told me to expect the same service that I would have received from himself.

I was introduced to: RUDY ENGSTROM, Fleet Manager at Granville Toyota: rudyingstrom@gmail.com Office: 604-263-2711 Cell: 604-644-8800

Rudy was also extremely professional, and we were able to order the vehicle from the factory. By using this Affinity service, I saved a little over \$4000 dollars from the best price from a regular dealership salesperson. Of course, the total savings will depend on the make, model and options you choose on your new car. Happy car hunting!'

IRIS Vision Advantage program

- Advantage program benefits are in **addition** to and combinable with extended health benefits being offered through third party insurers.
- Every member of the family living at the household is eligible for Advantage benefits, as well as non-custodial children and children who are living away from home while attending school.
- IRIS will direct bill the extended benefits carrier wherever possible.
- The Advantage program benefits may be used throughout the year as required. Individuals may use the benefits as often as they need.



Registration requires only a few minutes using the link in the Welcome Letter, and benefit offers are emailed out promptly. See affinity information on how to register or contact info@bcrvpa.ca

Advantage Program members receive:

- \$150 toward the purchase of prescription eyewear (lenses with a minimum value of \$250 and frame) and prescription sunglasses.
- \$ 25 towards the purchase of a pair of single vision lenses (minimum value of \$250)
- \$ 50 towards the purchase of a pair of progressive vision lenses (minimum value of \$250)
- \$ 50 toward the purchase of an annual supply of contact lenses.
- \$ 50 toward non-prescription sunglasses valued at \$100 or more.
- \$ 25 towards minimum purchase of 3 bottles of Eye Omega Benefits (240 soft gels)
- \$ 10 towards the purchase of non-prescription glasses with Blue Light Filtration
- \$250 toward vision correction procedures at our Ophthalmology Clinic in Laval, Quebec.

There are over 160 locations across Canada where benefits can be redeemed. Our store locator makes it simple to find a convenient location, please click here: <http://iris.ca/locations>.

Register by completing the online form <https://iris.ca/en/advantage> Access code: BCRPVPA



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Check out: <https://www.gocollette.com/en>

Benefits to BCRPVPA members:

1. Members receive \$100 off any Collette tour. Use the code: **BCRPVPA** when you call our toll-free number 1-855-843-7569 or mention **BCRPVPA** as a benefit when you talk to your travel agent.
2. This benefit is in addition to whatever offer there was out in the marketplace by Collette. These could be up to \$600 off p/p in some cases.
3. This benefit is also in addition to taking advantage of Collette's Loyalty Program (additional \$150 off any tour booked within 12 months of 1st booking; or \$100 off if within 24 months of 1st booking per person).
4. Collette provides members and travelling companion's door to door roundtrip home to airport sedan service as long as they are within 100 km of a major airport.

Check the Newsletter update section <https://bcrpvpa.ca/membership-benefits/> for ongoing sales and discounts.

Note from Authors:

These offerings are always being updated and revised so check for affinity newsletters and updates further in this section or on Yammer.

We are always happy to entertain suggestions or new opportunities as well as supporting members with any concerns or questions. Please send these to info@bcrpvpa.ca

If members also belong to BCRTA they could pursue similar membership Advantage options as well.

<https://bcрта.ca>