



We LEAD Wednesday



Weekly newsletter for LEAD (Leadership, Equity, Activity & Diversity)



CANADA'S CATHERINE RAICHE BECOMES HIGHEST-RANKING FEMALE EXECUTIVE IN NFL HISTORY

- Catherine Raiche was recently promoted to Senior Vice-President of Football Operations by the Philadelphia Eagles, officially making her the highest-ranking woman in the NFL.
- From Montreal, Raiche worked with CFL teams like the Montreal Alouettes and Toronto Argonauts before moving over to the NFL.

[Read more about Catherine.](#)

WOMEN ON ICE: AMHERST-BORN NWHL GOALIE WEIGHS IN ON NHL PLAYOFFS AND GENDER EQUALITY IN SPORT

- Carly Jackson started her hockey career playing with the Cumberland Minor Hockey Association. She continued to play in Amherst, NS, up until university when she moved to Maine to play for the University of Maine.
- She now plays for the Buffalo Beauts in the National Women's Hockey League. She says it's special to be living out a dream she's had since she was a kid.
- Carly says it's so important that women's hockey is accessible and available, especially to kids, to show them that hockey is for everyone.

[Learn more about Carly here.](#)



NAOMI OSAKA WITHDRAWS FROM FRENCH OPEN, SAYS IT'S 'BEST THING' FOR HER WELL-BEING

- Naomi Osaka is the number two-ranked tennis player in the world. In advance of the French Open, she made a statement that she would not participate in press conferences following games, in order to protect her mental health.
- When she didn't speak to the press following her first game of the tournament, she was hit with a \$15,000 fine, and the threat of additional fines. Following the fine, Naomi announced that she was withdrawing from the tournament.
- Naomi's openness to discussing her mental health is inspiring and is creating conversation in the tennis community and beyond.

We are proud of Naomi for setting boundaries to protect her mental health, and setting an incredible example for athletes and non-athletes alike. It is unacceptable that she has been fined for taking action to support her well-being, which may have contributed to her withdrawing from the tournament altogether. Health and well-being should always come first. [Read more here.](#)



FEMALE LEADERSHIP NETWORKS

VALLEY FEMALE LEADERSHIP NETWORK

FUNDY FEMALE LEADERSHIP NETWORK

SOUTH SHORE FEMALE LEADERSHIP NETWORK

VOLUNTEER, EMPLOYMENT, AND MENTORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SPORT INFORMATION RESOURCE CENTRE — CAREER PORTAL

IMPORTANT EVENTS

AFROCENTRIC MIND BODY BREATH
JUNE 1-24

CONVERSATIONS 2021:
WOMEN AND SPORT
JUNE 10-11, 2021