

FOCUS ON MENTAL HEALTH

The [Spring 2014 issue](#) of the Canadian Education Association publication *Education Canada* is all about student mental health. It features some of Canada's foremost experts sharing evidence-based approaches on how schools can help to address growing problems such as student anxiety, bullying, and mental health stigma. [The Facts on Education fact sheet](#) confirms what the research says about effective approaches to improving students' mental well-being and provides a valuable list of resources to help parents, educators, health care providers, researchers, and policy-makers learn more about this critical issue. [A series of blog posts](#) will share informed perspectives from both researchers and practitioners about what educators need to know in order to better understand issues like youth self-harm, addiction, depression or anxiety disorders. Readers who would like to contribute a blog post to this series are invited to do so by contacting info@cea-ace.ca.

UP AND COMING

The next few weeks will provide several relevant learning opportunities for those involved in education.

- April 25, Understanding the Role of the Secretary-Treasurer (Brandon): Members of MASBO, MASS and the Manitoba School Boards Association are invited to attend an intensive and consultative one-day [workshop](#), dedicated to examining and defining the ever-evolving role of secretary-treasurer.
- April 28, [What's Standing in the Way of Change in Education? Regional Workshops](#), sponsored by the Canadian Education Association, being held at the Louis Riel S.D. office in Winnipeg
- April 30, Are you asking the right questions? Join Board Development Consultant Janis Arnold at noon on Wednesday, April 30, for a 45-minute [webinar](#) that will explore the topic of asking the right questions to focus discussion at the board table.
- April 30 and May 1, [Shawane Dagošiwini: Aboriginal Education Research Forum 2014](#), Victoria Inn, Winnipeg
- May 9, [Prevention of and Response to Cyberbullying: Safe and Caring Schools Leadership Forum](#), Canad Inns Destination Centre Club Regent Hotel, Winnipeg



MISSED A PAST WEBINAR?

If you were hoping to sign in to one of our past webinars but something got in your way, don't despair! Past presentations are now available online, as will be all new offerings. Our current archive of offerings includes sessions on Code of Conduct, Conflict of Interest, Boosting Your Voter Turnout, Getting Your House in Order, and Overcoming Decision Impairment. Links to these and future webinars can be found on the [E-learning—Webinars](#) section of our website.

EARLY CAREER RESEARCH IN EDUCATION

Do you know someone who's contributing to innovative education research in Canada while completing a Masters or Ph.D., or who completed studies within



THE PAT CLIFFORD AWARD

the last two years? The Canadian Education Association's [Pat Clifford Award for Early Career Research in Education](#) recognizes emerging research and its promise in contributing to the transformation of education in Canada. The award includes formal recognition of the research at a public, education-related event, opportunities to develop additional knowledge mobilization strategies with CEA to maximize the impact of the research in the policy and practice fields, and an invitation to submit a feature article about the research to be published in [Education Canada](#) magazine. The deadline for submissions is Friday, May 30, 2014.

CANDIDATE INFORMATION SESSIONS

In June, we will be hosting three [information sessions](#) for potential school trustee candidates. Two of these sessions will be held in-person—on June 9, at the Victoria Inn in Brandon, and on June 10, at the Norwood Hotel in Winnipeg—and one will be held via webinar, on June 17. All sessions will begin at 7:00 p.m., and the webinar will be recorded for future viewing by those unable to participate at the scheduled time. No registration is required for the in-person sessions, but webinar participants will need to request the session link by emailing [Janis Arnold](#). We will be publicizing these sessions via local media closer to the date, but please, help us get the word out!