

READING, WRITING AND LOAN PAYMENTS

The most recent report on PISA 2015 results focuses on [students' financial literacy](#). Some 48,000 15 year-olds took part in the test, which evaluated their knowledge and skills about money matters and personal finance, such as dealing with bank accounts and debit cards, or understanding interest rates on a loan. This is the second time PISA has been used to assess students' ability to face real-life situations involving financial issues and decisions. The results for Canadian students, summarized in a [country note](#), show them performing above the OECD average, with 87% performing at or above the Level 2 baseline proficiency. Twenty-two percent of Canadian students were top-level performers with Level 5 proficiency, compared to the OECD average of 12%. Manitoba was among the seven Canadian provinces where students participated in the financial literacy assessment.



CSBA CONGRESS 2017

There's still time to register for the [2017 Canadian School Boards Association Congress](#), hosted by the BCSTA this summer in Whistler. The Congress, along with the National Trustee Gathering on Aboriginal Education, runs from July 5 to 8. The events begin with the Gathering's official opening and a keynote address at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 5. The official program wraps up at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 8, with an optional mountain-top BBQ later that evening. For the complete list of [speakers](#) and full [program](#) information, visit www.csba2017.ca. [Registration](#) is also available online; the deadline is June 23, 2017.



OCTOBER REGIONAL MEETINGS

Dates for our fall regional meetings have been set! These all-day meetings will include an update on what's been happening in your association since convention, as well as an educational component. They will also include business that was formerly conducted at January meetings—resolutions and a first call for nominations. This change was enabled as a result of an amendment to association [by-law #6](#) adopted in March. The call for resolutions and nominations will be distributed before the end of June, and the complete regional meeting package will be coming your way in September.

The schedule for regional meetings is as follows; exact locations will be confirmed and communicated in the near future.

- Region 1: Monday, October 23
- Region 2: Thursday, October 26
- Region 3: Friday, October 27
- Region 4: Saturday, October 21
- Region 5/6: Saturday, October 28

WHAT ARE YOU DOING JUNE 21?

Haven't quite decided how you're going to celebrate National Aboriginal Day (NAD) on June 21? Why not start by visiting the [Government of Canada's National Aboriginal Day webpage](#)? The site includes information about the origins and history of NAD, downloadable [learning resources](#), and a list of [activities](#) taking place across the country. It also includes links to stories about reconciliation, Indigenous history in Canada, Indigenous and northern success stories, and much more. It's definitely worth the visit, and you can link to the NAD page from our own [website](#).

