

NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN

Information about and nomination forms for our awards and recognition programs were distributed in divisional email on November 4. The package has also been posted to our [website](#). The association sponsors three specific programs.

- Long service trustee recognition honours trustees who have served for 12, 16, or 20 years on a public school board in Manitoba.
- The Presidents' Council Award recognizes exemplary service and outstanding achievement, innovative thinking, personal initiative, and lasting and pervasive impact in the field of public education. In 2021, nominations for this award will be accepted in the category of professional educators.
- The Manitoba School Boards Association Student Citizenship Awards recognize six outstanding young people and one student group who are active participants in their communities and schools.



All awards will be presented virtually at the association's March convention. The deadline for receipt of nominations for all awards is Wednesday, January 20, 2021.

WOMEN IN STEM

The Women in STEM webinar series introduces young women in high school to career opportunities in STEM. This virtual Canada-wide, panel series features inspiring speakers from industry and academia who will share success stories, information and resources about careers in STEM. The [free webinars](#) are open to educators, students and parents.

The Women in STEM webinar series is presented by [The Prosperity Project](#) and Ontario Power Generation. Conceived by 63 female visionaries earlier this year, The Prosperity Project is a not-for-profit organization that is working to combat the impact of COVID-19 on women and girls in Canada.

Although the first set of webinars has already taken place, a second webinar event is scheduled for November 21 at 1:00 PM (ET).

[Click here](#) to learn more about the panel series or [here](#) to register for the November 21 webinar sessions.



CELEBRATE NATIONAL CHILD DAY

Celebrating [National Child Day](#) is about celebrating children as active participants in their own lives and in communities, as active citizens who can and should meaningfully contribute to decision-making.

On November 20 of each year, National Child Day commemorates the United Nations' adoption of two documents centred on children's rights: the *United Nations Declaration of the Rights of the Child* on November 20, 1959, and the *United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child* on November 20, 1989.

The Government of Canada's [National Child Day website](#) provides information and resources about National Child Day and the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child to help promote awareness of children's rights and ways to celebrate National Child Day.



NOMINATIONS FOR PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

To date, two nominations have been received for positions to be elected at the association's March convention. Alan Campbell has been nominated by Interlake S.D. for President and Julie Fisher has been nominated by Pembina Trails S.D. for Director, Region 5. Other positions that are up for election in 2021 are Vice-President (boards serving <6000 students) and Directors for Regions 2, 4 and 6. The first call for nominations was made in writing.

The second call will be made on the morning of Saturday, November 21, at the association's fall general meeting, while the third and final call will come at the call to order of the annual convention, on March 19, 2021. Nominations may also be made at any time by submitting them by email to the Nominating Committee, c/o [Andrea Kehler](#).



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