

## REGIONAL MEETING FOLLOW-UP

We're midway through fall 2017 regional meetings! A big thank you to all the trustees and administrators who attended the Region 4 and Region 1 sessions in Cranberry Portage and Brandon, and a special thanks to Frontier SD for hosting us at Frontier Collegiate Institute. We're looking forward to Region 2 (Carman), Region 3 (St. Andrews) and Region 5/6 (Norwood Hotel, Winnipeg) meetings this Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Following the first two meetings, we received a number of requests for the presentations on P3s—Public Private Partnerships, risk management services, and the impact of the legalization of cannabis in the education sector. These three presentations will be distributed in next week's divisional email, and will be posted to our website. Watch for them!

## EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

Nominations are now being accepted for the [Manitoba Excellence in Teaching Awards](#), which recognize outstanding individuals whose educational practices have a profound impact on student learning and engagement. There are five award categories: Teaching Excellence (three awards), Outstanding New Teacher, Outstanding Team Collaboration, Outstanding School Leader, and Premier's Award for Excellence in Education. Details about each of these categories can be found online or in the [awards brochure](#). [Nominations](#) can be submitted until December 1 by people with direct knowledge of the nominee's contributions—students, parents, colleagues, school or divisional administrators, or trustees. Awards come with a certificate and a \$500 cash prize, and recipients will be honoured at an Excellence in Teaching reception.

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## EXCELLENCE IN SUSTAINABILITY

Did you know that [Manitoba's Excellence in Sustainability Awards](#) includes an education category? Sustainable development considers the long-term consequences of decisions and actions on the environment, the economy and human health and well-being. These awards recognize people, projects and ideas that successfully turn the principles of sustainable development into concrete, lasting achievements. The Education for Sustainability Award recognizes efforts involving public or private educational programs that incorporate sustainability into policies, operations and programs, or that enhance teaching and learning about sustainability, and the adoption of sustainability policies and practices. The award [application](#) deadline is noon on Friday, December 8, 2017.



## KEY RESULTS: CENSUS 2016

Stats Canada's latest release of information from the 2016 census includes analysis in two areas that will be of special interest to educators: [Aboriginal peoples in Canada](#) and [immigration and ethnocultural diversity](#).



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Among the findings:

- In 2016, Aboriginal people in Canada accounted for 4.9% of the total population, up from 3.8% in 2006 and 2.8% in 1996. Since 2006, the Aboriginal population has grown by 42.5%—more than four times the growth rate of the non-Aboriginal population over the same period.
- The Aboriginal population continues to be significantly younger than the non-Aboriginal population, with an average age of 32.1 years, compared to 40.9 years.
- There were more than 70 distinct Aboriginal languages reported in the 2016 Census, more than 30 of which had at least 500 speakers. There were 260,550 Aboriginal people who could speak an Aboriginal language in 2016, up 3.1% from 2006.
- Winnipeg has the highest Métis population of any metropolitan area in Canada: 52,130, up 28% from a decade earlier.
- One in five Canadians is now foreign born, and by 2036, that proportion could be as high as 30%.
- A greater proportion of immigrants are settling in the Prairies. Manitoba received 1.8% of immigrants to Canada in 2001; in 2016, that proportion had risen to 5.2%.
- Africa has surpassed Europe as a source continent for immigrants to Canada. It now ranks second only to Asia, and accounts for 13.4% of recent immigrants.

November 29 is the last [scheduled release date](#) for Census 2016 data. The November release will include information on education, labour, journey to and language at work, and mobility and migration.

