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REGIONAL MEETINGS

Regional meetings get underway in less than a month! This is the opportunity for boards to receive an update on association happenings since our March 2017 convention, and to begin the deliberations that will culminate in elections and debate at convention 2018. The [call for resolutions and the first call for nominations](#) was distributed in June. The deadline for receipt of regular resolutions is this Friday, September 29. There will be two more calls for nominations, at the October regional meetings and then again in March, at convention. As well, nominations can be submitted in writing to the Nominations Committee at any time, up until the final call at convention.

Meeting dates and locations are as follows: Region 1, Monday, October 23 (Victoria Inn, Brandon); Region 2, Thursday, October 26 (Carman Pentecostal Assembly); Region 3, Friday, October 27 (Larters at St. Andrews); Region 4, Saturday, October 21 (Frontier Collegiate, Cranberry Portage); and Region 5/6, Saturday, October 28 (Norwood Hotel, Winnipeg).

Regional meeting agenda packages will be distributed during the first week of October.

TALKING ABOUT RACE

Two new complementary resource documents were recently posted by Manitoba Education and Training. [Creating Racism-Free Schools through Critical/Courageous Conversations on Race](#) and [Critical/Courageous Conversations on Race: What your child is learning at school and how you can help](#) will help school divisions, schools, teachers, parents, and students engage in and understand conversations about racism. The documents describe the levels and effects of racism, and acknowledge its history within Canada. Ultimately, the goal is to create inclusive and equitable classrooms and schools for all students, with a particular focus on those who identify as First Nation, Métis and Inuit, and in so doing contribute to the advancement of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action.



LEARNERS AT THE CENTRE

The Manitoba Education Research Network (MERN) Fall Forum will be focusing on [Students at the Centre](#). This one-day event will be held on Friday, November 3, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. at Brandon University's Faculty of Education. The day will be structured with a keynote presentation and three banks of concurrent workshops. Workshops will explore some of the latest research in aspects of literacy, numeracy, STEM education, mental health, leadership and more. As always, there is no fee to attend this event, and lunch is provided. [Register](#) online, or for more information, contact [MERN](#).

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REMEMBRANCE DAY

Just in time for Remembrance Day, Winnipeg's Brookside Cemetery is once again offering guided tours of its Field of Honour, the burial place of more than 14,000 war veterans, peacekeepers, merchant marines and military personnel. School tours, which include a chance to hear from surviving veterans, will operate twice daily (9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.) from November 6 to 10. Each tour can accommodate 34 to 40 students, and lasts approximately two hours. Organizers are hoping to have 500 students participate in this interactive learning experience this year. For more information or to book a tour, contact Sherry, Matt or Milaini by [email](#) or by telephone at (204) 986-4348.

HEALTHY FOODS, HEALTHY KIDS,
HEALTHY SCHOOLS

The Manitoba Healthy Food in Schools [new website](#) is now live! The website is designed to offer schools resources to promote healthy eating, create a comprehensive school nutrition environment, and guide schools through any food and nutrition challenges they may encounter. Examples of resources found on the website include school nutrition guidelines, community resources, recipes, healthy fundraising factsheets, and free school nutrition services offered by a registered dietitian. Check it out!



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