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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The association's annual call for nominations was distributed in divisional mail on September 1. That document is the first call for nominations for positions to be elected at the AGM in March— Vice-President (6000+ students) and directors from Regions 1, 3, and 5 (one position). The second call will occur at the fall general meeting (November 27) and the final call at the AGM (March 11).

Nominations may also be submitted at any time, in writing, to the association office by contacting [Andrea Kehler](#). Keep your eye on divisional mail for updates and details over the coming months.

IN-PERSON BOARD WORKSHOPS

The association is available once again to offer in-person board [workshops and facilitation](#). Workshops cover such areas as governance, board self-evaluation, strategic planning, teamwork, communication, and many others.

Member boards are encouraged to take advantage of these professional development opportunities designed to support trusteeship and public school boards. There is no fee associated with this service and openings are available. Contact [Janis Arnold](#) to discuss and book a session.

MEMBERSHIP FORMS

Annual membership forms were distributed to all school divisions in the weekly divisional email of September 8. Please return the completed forms to Jennifer Esau as soon as possible after your inaugural meeting, so we can ensure our records are up-to-date.

REMINDER

WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

World Teachers' Day is held annually on October 5 to celebrate all teachers around the globe. One and a half years into the COVID-19 crisis, the 2021

World Teachers' Day will focus on the support teachers need to fully contribute to the recovery process under the theme "Teachers at the heart of education recovery". A calendar of events and the communications materials will be published [online](#) and updated regularly.



FAIR DEALING DECISION TOOL

Teachers, do you have questions about copyright and how "fair dealing" works? The [Fair Dealing Decision Tool](#) helps teachers decide whether "fair dealing" permits classroom use of print materials, artistic works, or audiovisual materials without first getting copyright permission. The tool helps teachers determine whether a specific intended classroom use is allowed by the [Fair Dealing Guidelines](#).



DECADE OF INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES

The United Nations has declared an [International Decade of Indigenous Languages](#) to begin in 2022.



2022-2032 | INTERNATIONAL DECADE OF
Indigenous Languages

The resolution was adopted by the UN General Assembly in December of 2019 "to draw attention to the critical loss of Indigenous languages and the urgent need to preserve, revitalize, and promote Indigenous language" and to "take urgent steps at the national and international levels."

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization serves as the lead agency for the International Decade, in collaboration with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat. MSBA is proud to be part of the NIERNG Community (National Indigenous Education and Reconciliation Network Gathering) as they contribute to the global action plan.

TAKE ME OUTSIDE DAY

Take Me Outside Day aims to raise awareness about outdoor learning by encouraging teachers to take their students outside for 1 hour on October 20th.

A full week of speakers, activities and events are planned that can engage students throughout October 18-22. There are opportunities to deepen connections with Indigenous perspectives, strengthen health and well-being with outdoor learning, and increase knowledge on climate change and the environment. With three different themes to focus on, this will be an educational and engaging week for students of all ages!

Visit the [website](#) to register and to find details outlining all of the presentations and events happening all week.



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