

REMINDER: RESOLUTIONS DEADLINE NOVEMBER 6

Don't forget—the deadline for receipt of resolutions to be considered at the association's 2021 convention is Friday, November 6, 2020. Resolutions received at the MSBA office by 4:30 p.m. on that date will be included on the agendas for the November regional meetings. Resolutions that are supported by a majority of trustees in attendance at those meetings will go forward to convention as regional resolutions. Resolutions received after the deadline will go forward to convention only if the executive deems them to be emergent in nature. For full details on the resolutions process, including step-by-step guidance on developing resolutions, check out the [Call for Nominations and Resolutions](#) that was distributed to all division offices in September.



NEW TO ZOOM?

While we've all become accustomed to meeting virtually over the past many months, we haven't all been using the same virtual meeting platform. Meetings and events organized by the Manitoba School Boards Association have been hosted on Zoom, and that will apply to the upcoming November general and regional meetings. If you haven't used Zoom before, or if you just want to become more comfortable with the software, check out our [Zoom How-to guide](#). It covers the basics of joining a meeting, etiquette and communicating during the meeting, and voting. And if you are looking for more in-depth information, the [Zoom Help Center](#) is a great resource.



CONFERENCE ALERT

[Indspire](#) is a national Indigenous charity that invests in the education of First Nations, Inuit and Métis people for the long term benefit of these individuals, their families and communities, and Canada. Each year, it holds a [National Gathering for Indigenous Education](#), to serve as a place where educators and partners can share their voices and work together to improve the educational outcomes of K-12 Indigenous students. This year, that event, like so many others, is going virtual.



The theme of the 2020 gathering is *Indigenous Knowledge: Our Path Forward*. It will take place over two days (November 26 and 27), and feature eight workshops, a keynote address by award-winning journalist and author Tanya Talaga, and an opportunity to network and share best practices with Indigenous educators

across the country. There will also be a pre-conference student panel discussion with three Indigenous students who will discuss their experiences in post-secondary educational settings. The panel discussion, which is open to the public, takes place at 7:00 p.m. EST on November 25, 2020. For more information or to register, visit the [conference website](#).

CSBA INDIGENOUS TRUSTEE PANEL

Earlier this month, the Canadian School Boards Association hosted an [Indigenous Trustee Panel discussion](#) in which a group of experienced Indigenous leaders in education explored questions related to their roles as trustees. Moderated by Renee St. Germain of the Assembly of First Nations, this panel discussion included topics such as moving away from tokenism towards actual diversity, why school boards should reflect those they serve and next steps in moving beyond the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission to meaningful change. Definitely worth a listen by everyone working to build public schools where all children thrive!



MEDIA LITERACY WEEK

[Media Smarts](#), Canada's Centre for Media and Digital Literacy, will be kicking off its annual [Media Literacy Week](#) on Monday, October 26. The launch will be marked by an online event for kids ages 5-12 (parents and teachers welcome). What's Behind the Frame: Explore Media and Digital Literacy with the House Hippo, will examine how the house hippo's lessons are more relevant today than ever. Other workshop topics throughout the week include Break the Fake: How to Tell What's True Online, and Journalism, Fake News and Disinformation. Descriptions and registration links for each event can be found on the [Media Literacy Week webpage](#). And while you're in the virtual neighbourhood, why not check out some of the other Media Smarts resources, which are organized both topically (online hate, digital citizenship, tobacco marketing, etc.) or by target audience (parents, teachers).




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