



## Statement from Manitoba Liberal Leader Rana Bokhari

The strength of our education system is based on consultation and inclusion. As we mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women's right to vote and hold office in Manitoba we wish to celebrate the contributions of women who have paved the way for politicians like myself and others whose voices have made for a more inclusive and fulsome conversation.

To that end our education platform will focus on inclusion. We depend on teachers, administrators, education advocates and of course parents to help us lead the way on what education will look like in the future. We must develop policy that is real-world tested. That means those on the front lines of education must drive that conversation.

We are committed to an education roundtable to bring stakeholders together. This will help us to ensure we are focused on what works best in the classrooms with the focus squarely on the student. Only when we bring together all who have a stake in the education of our children will we find solutions to ensure the next 100 years are more inclusive and productive than the last.

In too many countries women are still shut out of the political process and their voices are lost. We're on the right path, but can always do better.

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