

## 10 YEARS OF SCHOOL VANDALISM TIPS



Ten years ago, in response to growing concerns about vandalism at Winnipeg schools, The Manitoba School Boards Association set up a tip line at **204-231-4556** for anyone who sees suspicious activity on school grounds over the summer months.

The tip line continues to be a valuable tool today. The Corps of Commissionaires security company conducted over 2500 visits to school property this summer alone for various destructive incidents. So let's continue to work together over the summer months by keeping an eye open for suspicious activity, including graffiti, arson, on-site use of drugs or alcohol, and signs of break-and-enter to keep kids safe and schools secure.

## CALLING ALL EDUCATORS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS!

Looking for ideas on how to make this Veterans' Week (November 5-11) memorable? Trying to find an engaging and educational way to bring history to life?



The Department of National Defence's National Veterans' Week Speakers Program can help make that happen!

They are offering an opportunity to connect with active members of the military. This program aims to help audiences better understand how Canadian Armed Forces members have and continue to contribute to their local communities, Canada and the world.

The deadline to submit requests is between October 1 for in-person presentations and as late as November 2 to obtain speaker videos. To learn more about presentation opportunities and to register, visit the 2022 National Veterans' Week Speakers Program [web page](#).

## BOARD ORIENTATION TIPS

Part of the job of a board is to ensure new board members are brought up to speed quickly & thoroughly so they can be knowledgeable & contributing trustees as soon as possible. Check out our latest Division Dispatch [video](#) on the topic of Board Orientation for tips on planning for a successful new trustee orientation. Also, keep an eye on our social media accounts for monthly videos in this new Division Dispatch "Leading with Intent" series.



## WE ARE ALL DIGITAL CITIZENS

[Media Literacy Week](#) is an annual event promoting digital media literacy across Canada each October. Schools, libraries, museums and community groups are invited to organize events and activities throughout the week.



We all have a role to play in our online world, and we are all digital citizens. The first annual [Digital Citizen Day](#) takes place during Media Literacy Week on October 26, 2022, encouraging all Canadians to share what it means to be a digital citizen using #DigitalCitizenDay.

MediaSmarts has a variety of resources available to help classrooms take part in the 17th annual Media Literacy Week, taking place October 24 to 28, 2022. Check out the [online learning resource hub](#) for teachers. It's filled with suggested activities for students, including pre-recorded lessons led by MediaSmarts experts. To find out more about Media Literacy Week and Digital Citizen Day visit MediaSmarts [website](#).

## PRIME MINISTER'S AWARDS RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to the Manitoba teachers awarded 2022 Prime Minister Certificates for Excellence.

Major Pratt School teacher Teresa Boucher is receiving the Prime Minister's Certificate of Achievement in Teaching. The Certificate recognizes Ms. Boucher's innovative teaching approaches and her commitment to student success in a diverse learning environment.



In addition, Highbury School teacher Mark Lesiuk and Minnetonka School teacher Christopher Heidebrecht are receiving the Prime Minister's Certificate of Achievement in STEM. The Certificate recognizes their work and success in bringing the Anishinaabe culture to the world with student engagement and exemplary utilization of technology.



For the complete list of nation-wide recipients, visit the Prime Minister's Awards [website](#). Do you know an inspirational educator? Consider nominating them for 2023 starting October 5, 2022.

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