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School Boards
ASSOCIATION

Recognition and Award Programs

Information and Forms



Nomination deadline for all recognition and award programs is **JANUARY 27, 2023.**

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Recognition and Award Programs

Background

Each year at its annual convention, the Manitoba School Boards Association recognizes long-serving trustees, exemplary educators and inspirational students.



In 2022, the Provincial Executive ratified changes to the Student Citizenship and Presidents' Council Award Programs and it has expanded the long-service trustee milestones to include trustees with 30 and 40 years of service. Important changes have been identified throughout this package.

An overview of each award, along with the criteria for eligibility and the selection process, can be found in this Recognition and Award Programs package.

Awards and Contact Information

Recognition or Award

Long-Service Trustee Recognition
Presidents' Council Award
Student Citizenship and George Harbottle Memorial Award

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Nomination Forms and Deadlines

Nomination forms for each category can be found at the end of this information package or on the association's website. The deadline for all recognition and award programs is **January 27, 2023**.



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Long-Service Trustee Recognition

This recognition honours those individuals whose dedication to trusteeship and the betterment of education in Manitoba has qualified them for this distinction. Awards are presented to current trustees who have served for 12, 16, 20, 30 and 40 years on a public school board in Manitoba.



In 2023, the recognition milestones have been expanded to include current trustees with 30 and 40 years of service.

Please note: years of service is a complete year, i.e. if elected in October, the recognition will be the following March convention. Awards will not be given retroactively.

Submissions for the Long-service Trustee Recognition are verified by the nominating division/district and reviewed by the association administration.

Presidents' Council Award



The Presidents' Council Award recognizes exemplary service and outstanding achievement, innovative thinking, personal initiative, and lasting and pervasive impact in the field of public education. Professional educators, support staff, and community members all contribute to successful student learning, so beginning in 2023, the previously separated categories will merge into one award.



PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL AWARD

Please note: the inspiration for and establishment of this Award was generated by trustees to honour individuals who, although not serving on a school board, play a role in preparing students for success. Therefore, as the bestowers of this Award, trustees are not eligible.

Student Citizenship and AMM George Harbottle Awards



Student
 Citizenship
 Award



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The Manitoba School Boards Association Student Citizenship Awards program for public school students in Manitoba recognizes outstanding young people throughout Manitoba who are active participants in their communities and schools. These Awards recognize students from Manitoba schools who demonstrate their commitment to the values of citizenship through activities such as:

1. Volunteer service to the community (i.e. service to health care facilities, senior citizen groups, shelters, day care centres)
2. Involvement in citizenship or character building organizations
3. Participation in student government programs or activities
4. Leadership ability to motivate others to actions to benefit the community

Significant Changes for 2023



In early 2022, a survey was conducted to determine the members' satisfaction with the awards program and to explore options to refresh and modernize this program. Eligibility (see above) remains the same, but several adjustments are outlined below.

Eligibility—No Changes

There are no age or grade restrictions on this award; all students in regular attendance in the K-12 program at a Manitoba public school are eligible.

Nomination Process



The criteria has been simplified and students in the grades 9-12 category will be able to self-nominate. Visit the Student Citizenship page to apply [online](#).



Applications (K-8) ONLY: each school board is invited to nominate one student and one student group from its division or district. The Winnipeg School Division, constituting the MSBA's region 6, may nominate up to four students for the individual awards in this category, plus one student group.

Applications (9-12) ONLY: students and student groups will be able to self-nominate. There are two options to submit a nomination, online or hard copy. No school board endorsement required.

Number of Awards



For 2023, the number of awards to be presented has been expanded. Two grade categories (K-8 and 9-12) have been created for both the individual and group awards. Individual student awards will be determined from the Association's six geographic regions, while the two student group awards will be province-wide.

Monetary Prize



Two grade level groupings have been created: \$500 (K-8), \$1000 (9-12) for individual recipients and \$1000 for each group.

Selection Process—No Change

The seven regional directors who serve on the Association's provincial executive will act as the selection committee. They will select winners from regions other than their own.

Recognition of Recipients and Presentation of Awards



MSBA will showcase recipients at the annual convention by way of a video or slideshow presentation. Congratulatory ads will be placed in the community newspapers serving the area of the recipients. The presentation of awards to be made at the local school level at a meaningful time (e.g. school assembly).

AMM George Harbottle Award

The Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) will further recognize one of the association's individual award winners by way of the AMM George Harbottle Memorial Award, in recognition of outstanding contributions at the community level. This award consists of \$1000.



The AMM George Harbottle Memorial Award focuses specifically on those contributions that a student has made in the greater community, beyond the school walls.

Deadline for Student Citizenship Award and AMM George Harbottle Award nominations is **January 27, 2023**.

Long-Service Trustee Recognition Nomination Form



Eligibility:

This recognition honours the milestone periods of time that the recipients have devoted to serving as a school trustee and advancing the interests of public education within Manitoba. Twelve year Long-service recipients receive a special association pin, 16 year recipients a certificate, and 20, 30 and 40 year recipients a sculpture. Long-service awards to be acknowledged at the convention on Friday, March 17, 2023.

Division/District: _____

Recipient	Years of Service*

*Service does not have to be continuous - i.e. there can be breaks in service. Years of service is a complete year - i.e. if elected in October, the recognition will be the following March convention. Awards will not be given retroactively.

Please use this space to provide any additional information or to list additional names.

Contact Name (please print) _____

Deadline for nominations is January 27, 2023.

Please return completed form to:

Andrea Kehler (akehler@mbschoolboards.ca)

Presidents' Council Award Nomination Form

Nominations for the 2023 Presidents' Council Award will be received from individuals (professional, support staff and members of the community) who are demonstrably committed to improving education for Manitoba students. Nominees will have made a significant contribution to education through in-school, board-wide, extra-curricular and/or volunteer work within the public education system. As bestowers of this Award, trustees are ineligible. The Award will be presented at the convention on Friday, March 17, 2023.



Nominee: _____

Nominated by: _____

This award recognizes significant contributions to public education in the areas of direct service to students, leadership at all levels within the system, and community service and support to public education. Please describe how the nominee has met the selection criteria.

(use additional sheet if required)

Deadline for nominations is January 27, 2023.

Please return completed form to:

Andrea Kehler (akehler@mbschoolboards.ca)

Student Citizenship Award Nomination Form



For 2023, the number of awards to be presented has been expanded. In addition, two grade categories (K-8 and 9-12) have been introduced along with the option for students and student groups in the grades 9-12 category only to self nominate without school board endorsement. Visit the Student Citizenship page to apply [online](#).

A nomination must take the form of a complete application, as follows:

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A. Student Application

- Completed application form (including activity summary page)
- Submission of supporting materials (portfolio of visual images/examples of citizenship) that showcase the nominee's work or an essay (up to 500 words) from the student or group that defines what citizenship means to them, and/or describes how the student or group has tried to live out the concept of good citizenship in school and community
- Students in the grades 9-12 category are invited to self-nominate

B. Two Sponsoring Letters as follows:

1. A letter from an official at the student's or group's school that:
 - Describes the context in which the sponsoring official has known or worked with the student or group
 - Describes how the student's or group's actions at school demonstrate good citizenship
2. A letter from a representative of a community organization that:
 - Indicates the individual's relationship with the student or group
 - Describes how the student's or group's actions in the community demonstrate good citizenship

Deadline for nominations is January 27, 2023.

Please return completed form to:

Jennifer Esau (jesau@mbschoolboards.ca)

Student Citizenship and George Harbottle Memorial Awards Application Form



Student
Citizenship
Award



Nominations for the grades K-8 category must be submitted by the school board. Nominations for the grades 9-12 category do not require school board endorsement. Grades 9-12 applications may be completed [online](#) or by submitting the form-fillable PDF.

Application (K-8) individual student award student group award

Application (9-12) individual student award student group award

Student or Group

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

School Name: _____

Division/District: _____

All supporting documents attached. Please check

Completed application form

Citizenship portfolio **or**

Citizenship essay

School sponsor letter

Community sponsor letter

Sponsoring letters are being supplied by:

A. School-based sponsor(s)

Sponsor's Name Sponsor's Title

Sponsor's Name Sponsor's Title

B. Community-based sponsor(s)

Sponsor's Name Sponsor's Title Sponsor's Organization

Sponsor's Name Sponsor's Title Sponsor's Organization

Student or designated group member signature Date

To be completed by school division for applications for individual student awards only!

Signed release form:

is enclosed

will follow within the 14 days of nomination deadline

To be completed by applicants of Individual student awards:



School-based activities/clubs:

Activity	Nature of Involvement	Time Commitment

Community-based activities/clubs:

Activity	Nature of Involvement	Time Commitment

To be completed by applicants for Student Group award:

Please use the space below to provide a brief description of the goals of your group, and of the activities you undertake to further those goals.

Submission Deadlines:

For applications to the school/school board: As determined by the school board

For school board nominees to the Manitoba School Boards Association office: January 27, 2023

Student Citizenship and George Harbottle Memorial Awards Instructions for School-Based Sponsor



You are being asked to provide a letter to support the application of _____ for the *Manitoba School Boards Association Student Citizenship and the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) George Harbottle Memorial Awards*.

Description

Awards are given annually by the Manitoba School Boards Association to recognize outstanding young people, individually or as a group, throughout Manitoba who are active participants in their communities and schools. One additional award is presented by AMM to one of the individual award winners, in recognition of outstanding contributions at the community level.

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For applications to the school/school board: As determined by the school board

For school board nominees to the Manitoba School Boards Association office: January 27, 2023

Criteria:

- Students must have demonstrated exemplary citizenship in their schools and in their communities.
- Students must be selected as their school board's nominee for this award, and submit a completed application by the deadline(s).

Your letter of support should:

- Describe the contexts in which you have known the student or group.
- Describe how the student or group has indicated an appreciation of good citizenship, and has **demonstrated** this through actions in the **school setting**.

Recognition and Presentation of Awards

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Thank you for your support of student citizenship and community leadership!

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Student Citizenship and George Harbottle Memorial Awards Release Form



This form must accompany or follow all divisional nominations for individual *Manitoba School Boards Association Student Citizenship/AMM George Harbottle Memorial Awards*.

The Manitoba School Boards Association is a voluntary association of public school boards in Manitoba. The Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) represents local government bodies from across Manitoba. Each year, the Manitoba School Boards Association sponsors twelve Student Citizenship Awards, and AMM one George Harbottle Memorial Award. The intent of these awards is to honour the efforts of Manitoba students at modeling and promoting good citizenship within both their schools and their broader communities.

MSBA will showcase recipients at the annual convention by way of a video or slideshow presentation. Congratulatory ads will be placed in the community newspapers serving the area of the recipients. The presentation of awards to be made at the local school level at a meaningful time (e.g. school assembly). To assist us in recognizing the award recipients and all nominees, the Manitoba School Boards Association asks that the parents/guardians of each nominee (or the nominees themselves, if they are 18 years of age or older) complete this release form.

Personal information that may be used:

- Student's name, school, and grade level;
- A synopsis of his or her community and school involvement; and
- Photos and videos of the nominees.

Purposes for which this information may be used:

- Promotional materials for awards, including but not limited to news releases and programs;
- Association print and electronic publications; and
- Congratulatory messages in non-Association publications.

Parent/Student permission:

I hereby consent that the information identified in this release form may be used for the identified, non-commercial purposes.

Name of Student

Signature of parent (or student if 18 years of age or older)

Date