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CONVENTION REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Program highlights and registration information for the 2023 annual convention have been distributed in today's divisional mail. Trustees are reminded that registrations **must** be handled through the secretary-treasurer's office. The full program, including workshop descriptions, will be sent to boards when finalized and posted to the convention [webpage](#).



As the convention is just over two months away, here are a few timely reminders:

- The deadline for the call for presenters and student performers is this Friday, January 13.
- The deadline for submission of all nominations for our recognition and awards programs (student citizenship awards, long service trustee, and Presidents' Council) is Friday, January 27.
- [Nominations](#) for the provincial executive office will be accepted up until the final [call for nominations](#) on Thursday, March 16, but they may be submitted at any time.
- The deadline for donations for our charity raffle in support of [N.E.E.D.S. Inc.](#) is February 24. If you would like to donate a raffle prize, please [email](#) our Event Manager, Riel Dion to make arrangements.

THE MENTAL HEALTH OF 2SLGBTQIA+ CANADIANS/NATIONAL POLLING FINDINGS

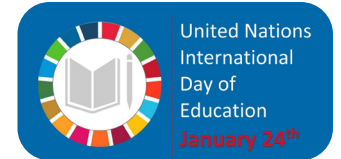
With the release of [Mental Health Research Canada's](#) (MHRC) 14th polling report in their national [series](#), "Understanding the Mental Health of Canadians: Through COVID-19 and Beyond", new information emerged regarding how Canadians are coping with their mental health.

To provide you with the key findings, MHRC will be hosting a webinar on January 17, at 1 p.m. ET. Tune in to hear about challenges facing 2SLGBTQIA+ Canadians, and the results of MHRC's 14th poll. This webinar is free and open to all. [Register](#) today!



UN INTERNATIONAL DAY OF EDUCATION

The fifth International Day of Education will be celebrated on January 24 under the theme **to invest in people, prioritize education.**



Building on the global momentum generated by the UN Transforming Education Summit in September 2022, this year's Day will call for maintaining strong political mobilization around education and chart the way to translate commitments and global initiatives into action.

Education must be prioritized to accelerate progress towards all the Sustainable Development Goals against the backdrop of a global recession, growing inequalities and the climate crisis. For more information on this important day, visit the UNESCO [website](#).

CALENDAR OF SPECIAL AWARENESS DAYS

Do you know an educator looking for creative ways to integrate digital media literacy activities into the classroom? Media Smarts has developed a [calendar](#) of special awareness days for educators to easily pinpoint opportunities to explore a variety of digital media issues while recognizing commemorative events throughout the school year. They have linked each awareness day to a list of free K-12 lesson plans, tip sheets and more teaching resources. Visit the Media Smarts [website](#) to learn more.



AWARDS DEADLINE APPROACHING!

The nomination deadline for The Prime Minister's Awards for Teaching Excellence is January 17. These awards have recognized exceptional elementary and secondary school teachers in all disciplines since 1994, with over 1,700 teachers honoured to date. Teaching Excellence Awards recipients are honoured for their remarkable achievements in education and for their commitment to preparing their students for a digital and innovation-based economy. The Teaching Excellence in STEM Awards celebrate outstanding science, technology, engineering, and mathematics teachers that help develop the culture of innovation Canada needs today, and in the future. Visit the awards [website](#) to nominate an exceptional educator today!



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