

## LAST CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The nomination deadline for all awards, including the Student Citizenship Awards, The Presidents' Council Award and Long Service Trustee Recognition is THIS FRIDAY, January 27. Review the 2023 awards [package](#) for complete details and to find the information you need to nominate a deserving candidate today!



PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL AWARD

## SAVE THE DATE!

New this year, the National Congress on Rural Education in Canada is shifting to a one-day symposium format to be held on Sunday, March 26th at the University of Saskatchewan. Field partners and researchers will lead the sessions and participants may join in-person or virtually. The theme of this year's event is "Teaching, Leading and Learning: Lessons from the Field". More details will be shared on the Congress [website](#) as the planning continues.

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**National Congress on  
Rural Education in Canada**

*Teaching, Leading and Learning:  
Lessons from the Field*

**March 26, 2023**  
Hybrid (virtual and in-person) Symposium  
held at the College of Education



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## STUDENT WRITING CHALLENGE IS BACK!

The First Page is a national writing competition for Grades 7 to 12 students in Canada. Students are invited to write the first page of a novel, imagining how present-day issues and trends have played out 150 years in the future.

The book could be from any literary genre, from mystery or thriller to literary fiction, from adventure or romance to satire or science fiction. Bestselling YA author Courtney Summers is the judge of this year's competition.

The 2023 challenge will be open for submissions from February 1 to 28. Visit the writing challenge [website](#) to learn more.



## NOMINATIONS FOR HISTORICAL AWARD

Lieutenant Governor Anita Neville is encouraging the public to nominate worthy Manitobans who have provided prolonged and meritorious service in the preservation and promotion of Manitoba history for an award, presented in consultation with the Manitoba Historical Society (MHS). The Lieutenant Governor's Awards for Historical Preservation and Promotion are presented to those with experience in such endeavours as:

- writing of historical publications and documents;
- stewardship of museums and archives;
- raising of public education, advocacy and awareness;
- committee or community service;
- preservation of historic sites/buildings; and
- art and media.

The MHS will receive nominations from the public and will recommend up to five individuals to receive awards this year. Two awards will be reserved for emerging historians (mid-30s and younger). Paid professionals in the field of history and heritage will not be considered. Nominations for 2023 must be received by Friday, March 3. The awards will be presented at Government House later in the spring. Nomination forms and further details of the award program are available on the websites of the [Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba](#) and the [Manitoba Historical Society](#).

## INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

January 27 marks International Holocaust Remembrance Day, a time to commemorate the victims of the Holocaust while raising awareness and education of it's tragedy.



[The Azrieli Foundation](#) provides many helpful educational resources for the classroom through [The Holocaust Survivor Memoirs Program](#). Educators can access lesson plans, memoirs, short films and a full catalogue of resources on this comprehensive [website](#).

## FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

February is the month in which we take the opportunity celebrate the progress, richness and diversity of the achievements and contributions of Blacks in Canada and around the world. It provides a focal point for the celebration of Black experiences, perspectives and history throughout the curriculum. Looking for information on Black History in Manitoba? Check out the Manitoba Education [website](#) for history and education resources on the topic. The Canadian Encyclopedia also has a collection of resources about Black History in Canada available [online](#).

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