

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PROGRAM EXPANSION

The Manitoba government recently [announced](#) the expansion of the Community Schools Program to five additional schools this year. This program supports the capacity of schools as hubs within communities to strategically gather and deploy school-community services and resources in ways that attain better outcomes for students, families and surrounding neighbourhoods.



Schools taking part in the program offer a number of resources and services including:

- early childhood literacy programming;
- parenting information and programs;
- before-school, evening, weekend and summer programs;
- breakfast and lunch programs;
- mentoring and youth development programs; and
- other services such as First Aid/CPR training, cultural awareness activities and crime prevention.

The program currently receives \$2.9 million in funding and includes 36 northern, rural and urban schools serving approximately 8,700 students. The new \$595,000 investment will add five schools from across the province to the program, as well as expand the scope of programming currently offered to 15 kindergarten to Grade 6 schools, 20 kindergarten to Grade 8 schools and one high school, helping to extend resources and services to more than 10,000 children. Learn more about the program [online](#).

HAVE FUN & LEARN FRENCH THIS SUMMER

Alliance Française du Manitoba is pleased to announce two programs this summer; one for French immersion teachers and one for students (7-11 years old).



For TEACHERS: The “Continuing Education for French Teachers (CEFT)” program is offered from July 10 to 14 or from August 14 to 18. The one-week program will help teachers improve their French skills, acquire new teaching techniques and includes exposure to cultural activities in French. Learn more [online](#).

For STUDENTS: Summer camps for kids between 7 and 11 years old from July 10 to August 25. Finding a summer camp in French is very difficult for parents. So, Alliance Française du Manitoba wishes to meet this demand by offering themed weeks throughout the summer. Learn more [online](#).

SUMMER HOLIDAY SHUTDOWN

With summer break rapidly approaching, now is the time to start thinking about what needs to be done to ensure school buildings are safe and secure over the summer months. MSBA’s Risk Management department has developed a handy checklist for school staff to use that will help ensure all measures have been taken to prepare for the summer months. Check it out [online](#) and share with staff.



BE IT RESOLVED

Most school boards start thinking about possible resolutions to bring to convention when the call for resolutions goes out in early fall. But the right time to think of submitting a resolution is any time—whenever a matter comes to your board’s attention that has implications for other boards throughout the province. To help guide school boards through that process, check out our [resource](#), Be it resolved: A resolutions primer for Manitoba school boards.



The document outlines the different types of resolutions, provides tips on drafting your resolution, and contains important information about the timelines and processes related to resolutions coming before regional meetings and convention. So no need to wait for the next call for resolutions—your board can start thinking about and crafting its contribution now.

MORE RESOURCES

Speaking of resources, did you know your association has a number of resources that are relevant to Manitoba school trustees on our website? You will find a wide range of information on topics including advocacy, school boards and trusteeship, governance, education finance, and research. Learn more [online](#).

SAVE THE DATE - FALL MEETINGS

Mark your calendars now to join us for the Fall General and Regional Meetings on November 23 and 24 for two days of learning, sharing, and association business. Details will be finalized over the coming months, but this will be an in-person meeting at the Victoria Inn Hotel and Convention Centre in Winnipeg.



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