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REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

An overview and the online registration link for MSBA'S 60th Annual Convention,



being held at the Victoria Inn Hotel and Convention Centre in Winnipeg is in today's divisional mail. In the meantime, here are a few highlights and reminders:

The opening keynote speaker on Thursday, March 21 is Darci Lang, a motivational speaker, trainer, and author. Thursday's program will be rounded out by three sets of concurrent workshops, and many networking opportunities in



our dedicated "Networking Nook". New this year, the President's Banquet will be held on Thursday evening, so mark your calendars!

- Friday, March 22 will be dedicated to Association business along with an open forum with the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning, Nello Altomare to round out the day.
- The deadline for receipt of all nominations for the Presidents' Council Award, and trustee long service recognition is January 26.
- This year's recipient of raffle proceeds will be N.E.E.D.S. Inc. Boards can support this cause by making a raffle donation and bringing it to the registration desk at Convention.

A final program will be distributed in the digital delegate kits and posted online prior to the start of Convention. For more details about important dates, sessions, speakers, resolutions and elections, follow the convention links at mbschoolboards.ca

DEI MONTHLY VIDEO SERIES

In case you missed it, MSBA's latest short video on the topic of DEI (Diversity,



Equity and Inclusion) is now available on our YouTube channel! This video discusses how being intentional about implementing DEI on your board needs a starting point which begins with "Why". Then, start small and build on it by putting a roadmap in place. Check out this video and subscribe to our channel so you don't miss new releases!

DATA PRIVACY WEEK

The theme of Data Privacy Week, being held January 21 to 27, is Take Control of Your Data. The goal of Data Privacy Week is to spread awareness about online privacy. Our data is collected every day —



your computer, smart phone, and pretty much every other internet-connected device gathers data, which might even include your wristwatch or car! But you often have some choices when it comes to how this data is collected, shared, and sold. Check out the Data Privacy Week website for resources, tips and tools to protect your data online.

FRENCH CLASSES AND CAMPS

Do you know someone looking to learn French or to improve their French language skills?



Alliance Française in Winnipeg offers fun, interactive classes, private lessons, and some free events, for children, teens and adults. Check out their upcoming winter schedule online to learn more about opportunities to help meet your language goals!

LEARNING FOR LASTING PEACE

Education is a human right, a public good and a public responsibility. The sixth International Day of Education will be celebrated on January 24, under the theme learning for lasting peace. The world is seeing a surge of violent conflicts paralleled by



an alarming rise of discrimination, racism, xenophobia, and hate speech. The impact of this violence transcends any boundary based on geography, gender, race, religion, politics, offline and online. An active commitment to peace is more urgent today than ever: education is central to this endeavour, as underlined by the **UNESCO** Recommendation on Education for Peace, Human Rights and Sustainable <u>Development</u>. Learning for peace must be transformative, and help empower learners with the necessary knowledge, values, attitudes and skills and behaviours to become agents of peace in their communities. Learn more on the UNESCO website.

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