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Background

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

An overview of the awards to be presented in **March 2026**, 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 and Presidents' Council 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 23, 2026**.

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.

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.

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.



PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL AWARD

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 in March.

Division/District: _____

Recipients*	Years of Service**, ***	Date(s) Elected (Month/Year)

*Members not in attendance at the annual general meeting will have their award given to a representative from the division/district.

**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)

Email

Deadline for nominations is January 23, 2026.

Please return completed form to:

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Presidents' Council Award Nomination Form

Nominations for the 2026 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 in March.



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.

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(Use additional sheet if required)

Deadline for nominations is January 23, 2026.

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