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CALLING ALL LONG SERVING TRUSTEES

MSBA is seeking long-serving trustees to mentor individuals interested in running for school trustee this fall. Mentors would offer hands-on advice and counsel to prepare community members for candidacy.

The mentorship program is focused on attracting mentees from diverse and under-represented communities. Still, candidates from all walks of life interested in learning more about what it means to be a school trustee could benefit from this experience. The program provides the opportunity to receive specialized training in:

- the role of the trustee and the responsibilities of a school board,
- how to navigate procedural requirements to become a candidate,
- tips and strategies for establishing and funding an election campaign, and
- campaign communications platforms.

If you are interested in helping out with this important program, please [email](#) Andrea Kehler for more information.



BUILDING CAPACITY
FOR OUR FUTURE

RISING YOUTH COMMUNITY SERVICE GRANTS

Did you know that the Government of Canada has a program to recognize and support community-minded students year-round?



The [Canada Service Corps](#) believes that young Canadians want big things for themselves, their communities and their country, so it developed a program that gives youth the opportunity to serve, while learning valuable skills and gaining experience. [Rising Youth Community Service Grants](#) come in three different amounts:

- \$250 grants, awarded monthly, for simple ideas like community events or gatherings;
- \$750 grants, awarded bi-monthly, for bigger ideas, such as building a community garden, or distributing care packages; and
- \$1500 grants, awarded quarterly, for projects that involve a larger group of people to drive impact. Projects at this level of funding need a budget and a mentor or community reference to apply.

Projects must be created and led by youth, and applications can be submitted online. To learn more, check out the Rising Youths [website](#).

SUMMER RISKS

Summer's almost here, and while the warmer days are welcome, their sometimes-companions—severe weather and increased school vandalism—are not. Check out the Risk Management [Best Practices Bulletin](#) on tornadoes, for some advice on preparing for and keeping safe during summer storms. As well, our school vandalism prevention program is back again this summer. Residents living near schools in the Winnipeg area are encouraged to keep an eye open for suspicious activity, including graffiti, arson, on-site use of drugs or alcohol, and signs of break and enter. Incidents can be reported to a dedicated tip-line at 204-231-4556.



The Corps of Commissionaires security company will respond to calls, and a mobile security unit will visit the scene as quickly as possible.



YOUR POWER TO CHOOSE

Elections Manitoba is offering a series of workshops for educators to use in the classroom.

"Your Power to Choose" was developed by Elections Manitoba in partnership with educators. The program's goal is to create life-long learning skills and instill the habit of civic participation among Manitoba youth. As part of the program, Elections Manitoba is offering free facilitated in-class workshops to Manitoba educators from early to senior years. For more information or to book an in-person or virtual workshop for your class, visit the Elections Manitoba [website](#).



HUDDLE YOUTH SITES

The Manitoba government has combined, and coordinated mental health, addictions, and social service supports for youth at several service hub locations in the province called "Huddle" to improve access to their care. [Huddle](#) is a safe space for youth ages 12–29, offering free, trauma-informed and culturally-safe health services in a youth-friendly atmosphere. There are six Huddle [locations](#) to serve youth in Manitoba, spread across Winnipeg, Selkirk, and Brandon. Visit the Huddle [website](#) to learn more.



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