



# **2024-2025 LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES**

Our 2024-2025 Learning Opportunities calendar is now available online. This calendar will help trustees and boards plan for the upcoming year.



It provides an overview of conferences, workshops and other learning opportunities that will be of interest to trustees and administrators. Where possible, we have included preliminary program and registration information, and links to relevant websites. Check it out!

## **FALL REGIONAL MEETINGS**

The Fall Regional Meetings will be hitting the road and coming to a town/location near you this fall! The MSBA executive will be visiting each region on the following schedule:



Region 1 - Monday, October 28, Victoria Inn and Convention Centre, Brandon

Region 2 - Wednesday, October 30, Crossroads United Pastoral Church, Carman

Region 3 - Friday, November 1, Larters Golf and Country Club, St. Andrews

Region 4 - Saturday, October 26 (Virtual)

Regions 5 & 6 - Saturday, November 2, Victoria Inn and Convention Centre, Winnipeg

### **UPCOMING MSBA PD SESSIONS**

This fall, Leonard Zdrill, the Association's Director of Operational Risk, Safety, Health, and Liability Management will team up with staff from MTS for a series of full-day sessions (various dates, locations and times TBA) on workplace safety and health. For more information on these sessions or other risk, safety, health or liability management services, contact Leonard Zdrill at the Association office.

In addition, Jodie Taylor, Interim Director of Governance and Professional Development Services will be hosting a workshop via Zoom: Building Capacity for Our Future (BC4F) - Head Start Succession Planning for your Board. Join us on November 5th for a half-day session to get a head start on developing strategies to promote recruitment and succession planning to keep our school boards strong! For more information, and to register, contact Jodie Taylor.

# ONLINE MEMBERSHIP FORMS

The 2024-25 Manitoba School Boards Association membership form can now be completed <u>online</u>. The form can be found on the <u>members page</u> of the MSBA website, no password is required. Please complete the form *after your inaugural meeting*. If you have any questions regarding the process, please contact Administrative Assistant, <u>Jennifer Esau</u>.

### PROVINCIAL BARGAINING MILESTONE

August 27 marked an important milestone for school board-teacher relations in Manitoba as the historic first-ever provincial teacher collective agreement was formally signed by the Manitoba School Boards Association (as employer agent) and the Manitoba Teachers' Society (as staff representatives) at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights in Winnipeg.

On behalf of the 37 public English school boards, we recognize the hours of work invested by these three leaders in achieving agreement with MTS under this very important round of bargaining.



Signing on behalf of the provincial teacher bargaining committee as employer agent are, from left, Patricia (Patty) Wiebe, Bargaining Table Co-chair (representing rural school boards and trustee with Border Land School Division); Colleen Carswell, Bargaining Table Co-chair (representing urban school boards and trustee with River East Transcona School Division); and Justin Rempel, Director of Provincial Bargaining and Human Resource Services at the Manitoba School Boards Association.

### **#NDTR2024**

Both the <u>National Day for Truth and</u> <u>Reconciliation</u> and Orange Shirt Day take place on September 30.

Orange Shirt Day is an Indigenous-led grassroots commemorative day intended to raise awareness of the individual,



family and community inter-generational impacts of residential schools, and to promote the concept of "Every Child Matters". The orange shirt is a symbol of the stripping away of culture, freedom and self-esteem experienced by Indigenous children over generations. On September 30, we encourage all Manitobans to wear orange to honour the thousands of Survivors of residential schools.

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