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AUGUST 2011 NEWSLETTER

Welcome Back to School!

IMPORTANT Agenda item for your first School Council meeting---

Discuss who your delegates will be for the Fall 2011 School Councils'

Conference being held
OCTOBER 20-22nd

at the High Country Inn, Whitehorse.

A major focus will be on
RESILIENCY and building on
STUDENT STRENGTHS

Guest speakers include Wayne
Hammond,
and Don Barbor, Principal

This theme follows up on the conference focus last spring and will be a major part of the work happening in our schools this year.

☆ SPECIAL NOTE ☆

FRIDAY will be a shared day—all Yukon school Administrators will be joining with School Council members so it is critical that your Council have strong representation in order to work with your principal and plan together as a team.

Sending several members of your Council ensures more shared learning for you and your school community.

More details and registration packages will be sent out this week from Yukon Education.



IMPORTANT NOTE: *The Department of Education provides funding for accommodation and travel expenses for one delegate per RURAL School Council to attend the conference.*

As AYSCBC wishes to encourage and facilitate the attendance of more rural School Council members at this event, rural School Councils who are AYSCBC members are eligible to apply for funding support from the Association. This can help offset the costs for any of their School Council members to attend School Council Conferences, providing said School Council members are not receiving financial travel assistance from another source.

AYSCBC funding assistance is set at \$50 for attending the Thursday evening of conference and \$150 for each full day of conference (Friday and/or Saturday) attended to a maximum of \$350 per person for fully attending all conference sessions.

Carol will have forms and record sheets at the conference. Cheques are made payable to the appropriate School Council.

HOW FAMILY FRIENDLY IS YOUR SCHOOL?

Find out by taking a [quick quiz](#)...this can be:
--a good discussion generator;
--an affirmation & cause of celebration;
--a planning tool for more action;
.....IDEALLY it serves all 3 purposes!



SCHOOL REVIEW TEAMS

We are once again doing a **CALL OUT** to those who would like to learn more about participating for a few days on a School Review Team.

School Reviews are taking place in every Yukon school. It is a most interesting and valuable experience with a very short time commitment.

Don't worry if you feel you might not have the needed skill or 'expertise' to fill this role—there will be good support and guidance from others, and the most important element you bring to the Team is your interest in learning more about what is happening in our schools that is affecting our children's learning.

For more information and details, please contact Carol at exec.director@ayscbc.org or call 633-2692 or contact Judy Arnold at Yukon Education, Judith.Arnold@gov.yk.ca or phone 667-5609

Thanks for considering this learning opportunity!

September is AGM Month...
Do you need a [sample agenda](#)...?

A REMINDER—

Your School Council and community can learn more about “**Health and health-related Behaviours among young people in Yukon**” survey. A copy of the report was sent out in the Spring--it is also available electronically:http://www.hss.gov.yk.ca/pdf/health_behavious_2011.pdf

There is much in this document that would be of interest to many parents and others in your community. To assist in circulating information and increase understanding of some of the issues facing some youth, presentations and facilitated discussions of the findings are being offered to interested parties. Contact us and/or Paula Pasquali at the Yukon Wellness Initiative, paula.pasquali@gov.yk.ca

\$ FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES \$

Health Investment Fund

This fund was set up to help people help each other to build and support healthy communities. School Councils are eligible to apply. For more information, go to: http://www.hss.gov.yk.ca/pdf/hif_guidelines.pdf

Youth Investment Fund

Are there some young people in your school community with a good idea but they need some funding? Your support might be just what they need....Check out: http://www.hss.gov.yk.ca/youth_investment.php

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE...

www.ayscbc.org

You'll find information, contacts, resources and other useful links.

We are continually adding new details and updating our [Calendar of Events](#) as we receive information.

On the [Communications](#) page, you can read letters sent on behalf of Conference delegates to the Education Minister and Deputy Minister as well as their responses to same. You will also find ATIPP Consultation Submissions.

Our [Annual Report and 2011 Workplan](#) as approved by the Membership are also posted.

We invite you to contact us to share your ideas, comments and suggestions about the site and/or anything related to the work we do.



**SCHOOL COUNCILS WHO ARE
CURRENT MEMBERS OF AYSCBC**

- Del Van Gorder School Council
- Robert Service School Council
- Eliza Van Bibber School Council
- Ross River School Council
- F.H. Collins Secondary School Council
- Selkirk Elementary School Council
- Ghuch Tla Community School Council
- St. Elias Community School Council
- Grey Mountain Primary School Council
- Takhini School Council
- Hidden Valley Elementary School Council
- Tantalus School Council
- J. V. Clark School Council
- Teslin School Council
- Porter Creek Secondary School Council
- Watson Lake School Council

If you'd like to find out more about the benefits of Membership with AYSCBC, contact Carol.

Your support helps us provide support to you and the work that you do in your communities.

Together

we can make a difference

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