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Registration and Agenda are available-[Click here.](#)

Spring 2015 Yukon School Councils' Conference & AYSCBC Annual General Meeting

being held

the evening of Thursday, April 16th, and all day

Friday and Saturday, April 17th and 18th

at the High Country Inn in Whitehorse

Some of the topics will include:

- ~Resolving Conflicts, Building Confidence, Communication and Positive Outcomes
- ~Using Information from our Yukon Youth about Health-Related Behaviours
- ~Guiding Youth in a Connected World
- ~Student/Youth Panel and several more...

Breakfast and lunches will be provided. And don't miss the ever-popular School Councils' Roundtable session! **Make sure you have representation there.**

Excitement is growing and registrations are rolling in for this great professional learning opportunity that promises to provide delegates with new ideas, important information, lots of networking time with colleagues and guest speakers & resource people, boost problem-solving skills and satisfy our needs for good food, fun, and hearing from young people!!

Keep your eyes on the next issue of "What's Up Yukon" for an article on DESTINATION IMAGINATION and our Yukon teams who are heading out for competitions in B.C. and Tennessee!!!

You'll get to meet them at the Conference on Thursday evening, April 16th!!

The Annual General Meeting of AYSCBC will follow proceedings on Friday, April 17th at 4pm. All Member Councils are asked to make sure you have representation there as we want and need your input on our work for the upcoming year.

LONG SERVICE CELEBRATION

In recognition of the people who have put in many years of volunteer service on their local School Councils, Board and/or affiliated associations, we will be hosting a Reception and Awards Presentation on Friday, April 17th, 2015.

We will be honouring all those we have on record who have served 10 years or longer on these elected school official bodies since the last Long Service Celebration was held in 2010.

We extend an invitation to all School Council/Board/Associations members to join us as Yukon Commissioner Doug Phillips presents certificates to those who have been notified as honourees.

Doors will open at 5:30, after the AGM and presentations will begin at 6pm.



STAFFING ALLOCATION FOR 2015-2016

There was a Staffing Allocation Information session on March 10th during which a presentation was given on projected enrolment and some of the proposed staffing allocations for the upcoming school year. We have posted the Yukon Education Staffing Allocation Presentation on our website on the [Staffing](#) resource documents under '*Useful Links*'.

PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS ON THE *Students Financial Assistance Act*



The Department of Education is reviewing and considering updates to the *Students Financial Assistance Act*. As part of this process, they will be holding consultations to seek input from key stakeholders.

Department representatives will be in contact in the coming weeks with more information about how your school council and community can participate. There will be opportunities for individual input through an online survey, focus groups and open houses.

If you have any questions, contact Judy Thrower, Director of Training Programs at the Department of Education, at 867-456-6748 or judy.thrower@gov.yk.ca

A Couple of Interesting Websites

Kwanlin Dun First Nation has an “**Attendance Matters**” webpage with good resources on the topic—
Check it out: <http://www.kwanlindun.com/attendanceworks>

Following up on the session on **Internet Safety**, held in late February, we want to pass on that some of the **Canadian Centre for Child Protection** resources will be available at the School Councils` Conference.

They are also available on line at: <https://protectchildren.ca/app/en/overview>

There are many resources including:

[Smart, Strong and Safe Activity Book for children in grades 5 and 6](#)

[Smartphone Safety Parent brochure](#)

[The Door That's Not Locked parent brochure for children ages 8-9; 10-12; and 13-15](#)

[Parenting Tweens and Teens in the Digital World parent brochure](#)

[Keeping Teens Safe from Online Sexual Exploitation](#)

Articles & Reports of Interest

Report:

“Young Canadians in a Wired World Phase 3 Trends and Recommendations”

from **MediaSmarts**

http://mediasmarts.ca/sites/mediasmarts/files/publication-report/full/ycwwiii_trends_recommendations_fullreport.pdf

Here are two brief articles of interest, published in the recent [Canadian Education Association journal Vol 54, issue 5](#)

“A Truthful Narrative”

Bringing First Nations, Métis and Inuit contributions to the world into the K-12 curriculum

By Pamela Rose Toulouse

“What needs to change?”

Leaders in Aboriginal education share their insights

By Marlene Brant Castellano, Blair Stonechild, Darren McKee

**We wish everyone a
happy and safe Spring Break!!**



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

Nelnah Bessie John
Chief Zzeh Gittlit
Del Van Gorder
Robert Service
Eliza Van Bibber
Selkirk Elementary
Takhini Elementary
Jack Hulland Elementary

Ghuch Tla
St. Elias
Ross River
Tantalus
J. V. Clark
Teslin
Kluane Lake

Grey Mountain Primary
Watson Lake
Porter Creek Secondary
F.H. Collins Secondary
Hidden Valley Elementary
Golden Horn Elementary
Ecole Whitehorse Elementary

Want to learn more about Membership, please [contact us](#) and we'd be glad to talk with you.

*AYSCBC promotes School Council, Board and Committee service
as a meaningful way to make long term contributions
to your local community and society.*

Together
we can make a difference

If you'd like us to attend one of your meetings, or meet with you at another time,
let us know—one of us would be happy to do so.

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