



ASSOCIATION OF YUKON SCHOOL COUNCILS, BOARDS & COMMITTEES

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RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS...

Making connections, developing relationships and caring about others in our schools and communities is a great investment of our time and energy. The benefits are great! Here's a short video of some students putting this into action. They learned that:

- helping others promotes happiness,
- early adolescence is an ideal time for promoting kindness, and
- building relationships ultimately promotes resilience.

To view, go to:

<http://heartmindonline.org/resources/random-acts-of-kindness-in-school-the-breakfast-club>

DON'T FORGET---

ONE-TIME FUNDING OPPORTUNITY for AYSCBC MEMBER SCHOOL COUNCILS!

We want to remind those AYSCBC Member School Councils who haven't applied yet---don't miss out on this opportunity to receive a contribution of up to \$5000 to enhance school-community connections in support of student learning. This one time funding opportunity allows for flexibility in how Member School Councils plan for and support events/programs/resources that meet the specific needs of their students and local school community.

We've received and approved 7 applications submitted so far and look forward to receiving more. The projects and activities that we are already learning about through the submissions should be of great benefit to the students and the school communities! Applications will be accepted and reviewed on a continuous intake basis, the only deadline is that projects and activities must be completed by August 31, 2018 to coincide with the conclusion of the term of office of currently sitting School Council officials.

For more information and the application form and process, go to:

<http://www.ayscbc.org/blog/News/post/reminder-to-ayscbc-members--do-not-miss-this-one-time-funding-opportunity>. At the same link above, we've posted a bit of information about those projects approved to date as well on a 'Project List' and we'll keep updating it. It's great to see the ideas and innovative plans that are being submitted!



DID YOU KNOW....?

...according to the Yukon Education Enrolment Reports, there are 344 more students in Yukon schools than there were 5 years ago, with the vast majority of those being in the elementary grades. If you're curious to see the breakdowns of students per school per grade, you can find them posted monthly at: <http://www.education.gov.yk.ca/enrolment-reports.html>

SOME COMING EVENTS

November 29- December 1st, Montreal, Quebec

National Gathering for Indigenous Education, this conference will celebrate and explore our rich Indigenous cultures, traditions, and histories. The National Gathering is a place where educators and partners can share their experiences and work together to improve the educational outcomes of K- 12 Indigenous students. This conference is another step towards reconciliation and presents workshops within four categories: knowing, feeling, doing, being.

For more information: <http://indspire.ca/national-gathering>

November 30, December 1 & 2, Vancouver, B.C.

“Renewing Our Relationship”, the annual conference of the First Nations Education Steering Committee will explore of the role of education in reconciliation, as part of the ongoing conversations about Canada's 150th celebrations and planning for the future of First Nations education.

For more information: <http://www.fnesc.ca/conference>

AYSCBC IS LOOKING FOR EXECUTIVE (BOARD) MEMBERS...



There are currently three vacant seats on the AYSCBC Executive due to a variety of life's circumstances. We are looking for individuals who are interested in being considered to fill one of the positions. The work of an Executive Member requires a commitment of time and energy, some knowledge of public education and parental involvement, and the ability to work together with others. Seats are open to those in the rural communities as well as Whitehorse area and while you don't need to be a current member of any School Council, it is important that Executive Members:

- ☆ have a genuine commitment to striving for high quality public education for all children;
- ☆ participate in meetings, discussions and decision-making;

- ☆ are familiar with the Constitution, Bylaws and all policies governing the Association;
- ☆ abide by the Code of Conduct and the Conflict of Interest guidelines;
- ☆ carry out all responsibilities in good faith and in the best interests of the Association.

More information about the important role that the Executive have in providing direction and support for the activities of the organization can be found under the '**ABOUT US**' tab at <http://www.ayscbc.org>.

Questions always welcome by email or phone, see contacts at the end of this newsletter.



HAPPY HALLOWE'EN!!

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

☆ **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
Elijah Smith Elementary

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

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Together we can make a difference