



Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning
Minister of Sport, Culture, Heritage and Tourism

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To: Superintendents of School Divisions
Directors of First Nations Education Authorities
Principals of Funded Independent Schools
Student Services Administrators
Manitoba School for the Deaf

Dear Colleagues:

In honour of the invaluable contributions that Black people and people of African descent have made to Manitoba, we are delighted to proclaim Black History Month in February 2025.

The proclamation highlights the important role of school communities in fostering belonging and supporting all children and youth to reach their full potential and live *Mino-Pimatisiwin* (The Good Life), in which they have hope, belonging, meaning and purpose. For more information, tools and resources to celebrate Black History Month, please visit the federal government's website at www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/black-history-month.html.

We hope that Black History Month inspires educators, students, parents and community members to engage in meaningful discussions about Black history, culture and contributions to Manitoba.

Sincerely,

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- c. Board Chairs, School Divisions
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