



## Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning

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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:

I am pleased to proclaim February 9 to 15, 2025, as Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week in Manitoba. This annual proclamation celebrates the hard work and contributions of Manitoba teachers and staff to the well-being and success of Manitoba students.

Manitoba teachers and staff are at the forefront of advancing the Department of Education and Early Childhood Learning's vision that from every part of Manitoba, from every background, all children and youth matter, belong, are respected, successful, and safe. For this, all teachers and staff deserve recognition.

Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week invites parents and community members to reflect on the importance of teachers and staff to the well-being of students, and to thank and honour the teachers and staff in their communities for their continued dedication. By creating inclusive and caring learning environments, Manitoba teachers and staff play an invaluable role in preparing learners to reach their full potential and to live *Mino-Pimatisiwin* (The Good Life), in which they have hope, belonging, meaning, and purpose.

On behalf of the Manitoba government, I offer my sincere appreciation to all teachers and staff. Thank you for your shared commitment to all students in Manitoba.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by*

Honourable Tracy Schmidt  
Acting Minister

Attachment

- c. Boards Chairs, School Divisions  
Principals of Public Schools  
Independent and International Education Unit