

Council of the Federation Literacy Award

Manitoba Call for Nominations

2017



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The Premier of Manitoba invites you to nominate deserving adult learners for the 2017 Council of the Federation Literacy Award

Nomination Deadline: June 2, 2017

The Council of the Federation

In July 2004 Canada's Premiers decided to create a special annual award to recognize achievements in literacy across the country. The Council of the Federation (COF) Literacy Award acknowledges outstanding achievement, innovative practice and excellence in literacy. Each year COF Literacy Medallions are awarded, one in each province and territory.

The COF Literacy Award for Manitoba recognizes achievement in adult literacy. In 2017 this award will be given to an individual adult literacy learner.

Who Can Be Nominated?

To be eligible, the nominee must:

1. be an adult literacy learner in Manitoba, who has been actively involved in literacy/essential skills programming within the past 18 months
2. reside in Manitoba
3. have made significant progress in his or her learning
4. have assisted others with learning and/or impacted others in the literacy community
5. consent to his/her nomination

Who Can Be a Nominator?

Eligible nominators may be:

- Literacy educators or volunteers currently engaged in literacy/essential skill instruction
- Public, private or non-profit programs, groups or organizations involved with literacy delivery, research or advocacy
- Businesses or corporations or labour organizations who operate workplace literacy/essential skill programs
- Manitobans who recognize the literacy achievement of an adult learner

Employees of the Government of Manitoba and individual members of the selection committee and their families are not eligible for the Council of the Federation Literacy Award (Manitoba).

Judging

An independent selection committee in each province and territory reviews the nominations and selects the award recipient for that province or territory.

The selected award winner will be notified before the announcement.

The Award Presentation

The award consists of a medallion and certificate. In addition the recipient will receive a cheque for \$600. The recipient for each province and territory will be announced in a news release from the Council of the Federation on September 8, 2017.

The award will be presented to the Manitoba COF Literacy Award recipient in the fall 2017.



Submitting a Manitoba COF Literacy Nomination

Nominators should be persons who are familiar with the literacy activity of the candidate. Separate nominations may be submitted for as many individuals as desired.

The nomination package should include the following information:

1. A completed nomination sheet (attached).

- Please type or print clearly. Ensure that the candidate's name is correctly spelled as it will be used on official materials.

2. A history outline of the nominee's involvement with literacy, describing his or her progress and including specific examples of perseverance and impact of literacy progress:

- What life was like before improving his or her literacy skills
- What challenges were met or what obstacles overcome
- How he or she made changes in his or her literacy level
- How literacy achievements have made a difference in his or her life
- Any awards and recognition he or she has received
- How he or she has helped others and/or contributed to the community.

A Summary indicating:

- What is exceptional about the literacy candidate? How is the nominee an inspiration to others? Why should the award be given to this person?

Additional Documentation: Include:

- Printed matter such as letters, news clippings, pamphlets, and testimonials, examples of materials developed by the nominee, if directly related to the candidate's literacy achievement.
- A description of how the improvement has allowed the nominee to contribute more fully to self, family, community or work.

3. Two letters of support:

- One from someone involved with assisting the nominee with his or her literacy progress
- One from another person (for example, a family member, friend, employer, fellow student, or someone the nominee has aided or inspired)

Send the completed nomination package no later than June 2, 2017 to:

COF Literacy Award Selection Committee
Manitoba Education and Training
Adult Learning and Literacy
350-800 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, MB R3G 0N4

Phone: (204) 945-8247

Or Toll-free 1-800-282-8069 ext 8247 outside of Winnipeg

Email: all@gov.mb.ca

To download a nomination form or for more information visit: www.gov.mb.ca/mal/all/awards



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Nomination Form



Nominee Information

Please print clearly and sign below.

Name

Mailing Address

City/Town

Province

Postal Code

Home Telephone

Work Telephone

E-mail

I, _____ agree to be nominated for the Council of the Federation Literacy Award. I confirm the information provided is accurate, and consent to the use and exchange of this information between Manitoba Multiculturalism and Literacy and the Council of the Federation Award Selection Committee for the purpose of evaluating and selecting award recipients. If I receive this award, I also consent to having my name, hometown, summary of achievements and photograph released to the media and included in Manitoba publications for publicity purposes associated with the award.

Signature of Nominee

Nominator Information

Please print clearly and sign below.

Name

Title and Organization

(if applicable)

Mailing Address

City/Town

Province

Postal Code

Home Telephone

Work Telephone

E-mail

Relationship to the nominee

Signature of Nominator

Date