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National Indigenous Languages Day

March 31 is National Indigenous Languages Day. This is an opportunity for both non-Indigenous and Indigenous people to create space for and recognize the importance of language revitalization.

Nominate someone for Excellence in Education

Each year we honour an individual or group for their outstanding and positive impact on public school education. The Excellence in Education award has been presented every year since 1990.

Do you know someone or a group that has made an outstanding contribution to a classroom, school or school community? Recognize them with an Excellence in Education Award nomination! We are accepting nominations until **Friday, April 14**. Download the nomination package to learn more.

To learn more about the Excellence in Education Award, visit [Nominate someone for an Excellence in Education Award](#).

Upcoming numeracy and literacy assessments

Please see [linked memos](#) outlining important information about the April 2023 administration session of the graduation assessments. Please also see the attached memo on newly introduced safe exam browser for the online completion of these assessments.

Opportunities for educators and students

Potlatch as Pedagogy book club opportunity

You are invited to join Connected North educators in a Book Club PD on [Sara Florence Davidson's](#) book *Potlatch as Pedagogy: Learning Through Ceremony*.

Every teacher who registers will receive the book and a Discussion Guide that we'll be using for all three sessions. Sessions 1 and 2 will involve guided discussion and are taking place May 1 and May 8 from 3:45 to 4:30 pm PT; the final session on May 15 from 3:45 to 4:30 pm PT will be joined by author Sara Davidson.

Livestream Dance Opportunity

The National Ballet of Canada is offering another *YOU* dance Livestream opportunity. It takes place on April 21 from 12 to 1:15 pm ET.

We have streamed to more than 25,000 students in more than 400 schools in the past with this programming, and are looking forward to growing that list. We are passionate about increasing arts education and hope that this Livestream programming will help educate students about the world of dance and The National Ballet of Canada. If you have questions about this opportunity, please contact Sakhshi Khanduja at skhanduja@national.ballet.ca or visit national.ballet.ca.

Quick Links

- Check [Teams](#) for the PD opportunities
- [School health and safety during COVID-19](#)
- [Mental health and wellness supports](#)
- [Can your child go to school, daycare or return to regular activities?](#)
- [Yukon Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education Recovery Plan](#)
- [Wellness Together Canada free resources and support](#)
- [Yukon information on COVID-19](#)
- [Practice the Safe 6](#)
- [Canada response and Health Canada information](#)
- [Council of Yukon First Nations COVID-19 info hub](#)
- [Yukon vaccination clinics and information about the vaccine](#)
- [First Nation School Board](#)