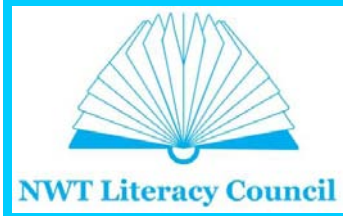


This Week in Literacy

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The NWT Literacy Council is a non-profit, non-government agency dedicated to supporting the development of literacy and essential skills in all official languages of the NWT.

Literacy Dates

International Literacy Day - September 8

Learn@Work Week - September 19-23

NWT Literacy Week - September 25 - October 1

Announcements and Events

We're taking a summer break!

This Week in Literacy is taking a break. This will be the last e-news until September 1. The NWT Literacy Council wishes you a wonderful summer!

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter

During the summer we'll still be posting new resources and news on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). Search for NWT Literacy.

Skills Plus tool assesses career-development benefits of volunteering

Volunteer Canada and Manulife Financial have developed a new tool, Skills Plus, designed to help employees give back to their community while developing essential skills to advance their careers. Skills Plus matches the experience gained from a variety of volunteer opportunities with key competencies required for a range of occupations. For more information, visit volunteer.ca or watch the [video](#) that shows how to use the tool.

Nominations open for work place literacy award

The [Dr. Alan Middleton Workplace Literacy and Learning Award](#) recognizes an individual for their



outstanding achievement in increasing workplace literacy and essential skills in their community.

Nominations are open until August 5, 2011.

Funding

Family Violence funding available

The [Muriel McQueen Fergusson Foundation](#) is accepting proposals for funding from registered charities helping to end family violence. Activities can include research, effective interventions and programs that increase public awareness. Grants are a maximum of \$3,000 per organization. The deadline to apply is August 12, 2011.

TD Financial Literacy grants

The [TD Financial Literacy Grant Fund](#), managed by Social and Enterprise Development Innovations, provides grants that support financial literacy among low income and otherwise economically disadvantaged persons and groups. The Fund is accepting applications until August 3, 2011.

Aboriginal Funding Tool

This interactive tool will help you find different types of funding available specifically for Aboriginal peoples in Canada. Visit the [Aboriginal Canada Portal](#).

News

Norway visit turns Nunavut elder into literacy advocate

Nunatsiaq News, June 17, 2011

"How are we going to improve if we are struggling with reading and writing?" But after a recent trip to Norway, Annie Neglak sees there's a different way to learn a language...[Read more](#)

Life-path outcomes associated with reading ability

Young people who had higher levels of proficiency in reading at the age of 15 had higher levels of educational attainment and income by the time they were 25 than youth with lower proficiency in reading, according to a new study...[Read more](#)

French Language is Present in Northern Canada

French as a mother tongue is found throughout Canada and somewhat more so in the North than in the South, according to The Conference Board of Canada's Centre for the North...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

Kid's Know It Network

[Free educational games and resources for your kids](#)

Essential Skills for a Winning Team

[Learn why Essential Skills are important when working with others](#) (video)

Resources for parents

Manitobaparentzone.ca

Literacy and Policing:

[Target Crime with Literacy](#) (video)