

## Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning

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To: Superintendents of School Divisions

Principals of Funded Independent Schools
Directors of First Nations Education Authorities

Student Services Administrators Manitoba School for the Deaf

## Dear Colleagues:

I am pleased to acknowledge the collaboration and commitment of Manitoba schools, childcare services, families and communities to foster inclusive learning environments, and declare February 2024 as Manitoba Inclusive Education Month.

Our collective efforts to foster shared beliefs, mindsets, and practices are necessary to support consistent, effective, and widespread implementation of the Philosophy of Inclusion so that all children are prepared to succeed, to reach their full potential, and to live The Good Life.

The attached proclamation for Manitoba Inclusive Education Month provides us with dedicated time to recognize and honour our incredibly diverse children and youth. We recognize staff, families, and community partners working to ensure children and youth with diverse learning needs and abilities are warmly welcomed into childcare programs and classrooms across Manitoba.

Sincerely,

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**Nello Altomare** 

## Attachment

Board Chairs, School Divisions
 Principals of Public Schools
 Elaine Lochhead, President, Manitoba Council for Exceptional Children
 Independent and International Education Unit