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30 ans

et en plein épanouissement!

**Message from the Minister of Education,
Citizenship and Youth**

I congratulate the current and former Bureau de l'éducation française (BEF) Division staff, the francophone community and all of its educational partners for their dedication in promoting French language education in Manitoba and for the leadership and commitment they continue to share. The many partners who have worked with the province to make the Bureau's work a success will also be an important part of future decisions and challenges as BEF moves forward into its next decade.

Honourable Peter Bjornson

**Message from the Assistant Deputy Minister of
the Bureau de l'éducation française Division**

For thirty years now, the Bureau de l'éducation française (BEF) Division has played a prominent role in French language education in Manitoba. Thanks to a dynamic team and committed partners, the Bureau looks forward to a promising future.

I take this opportunity to mention the invaluable contribution of all those who have worked at the BEF – from its original staff members to the present team.

Raymond Thériège

HISTORICAL SUMMARY OF THE BUREAU DE L'ÉDUCATION FRANÇAISE

THROUGHOUT THE YEARS, MANY EVENTS HAVE HELPED SHAPE THE BUREAU DE L'ÉDUCATION FRANÇAISE.

1970

Legislature unanimously adopted amendments to Section 258 of the Public Schools Act (PSA) which made English and French equally official languages of education in Manitoba

1972-1973

French-language Curriculum Unit, under the direction of Arthur Corriveau

JUNE 1973

Submission of the Tremblay Report : recommendations for implementation of the amendments to PSA

SEPTEMBER 1973

Meeting held at the Legislative Building
Government officials: Premier Edward Schreyer, Laurent Desjardins, Ben Hanuschak and René Chartier;
Franco-Manitoban community officials: President and Vice-president of Société franco-manitobaine; Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface, Advisory Committee on French language, Association of French language School Trustees, Éducateurs franco-manitobains approval in principle of the Tremblay Report recommendations

FEBRUARY 1974

Agreement between the Province of Québec and Province of Manitoba to hire on a contract basis, Mr. Olivier Tremblay to implement the recommendations

APRIL 10, 1974

Appointment of Olivier Tremblay as Coordinator of the Bureau de l'éducation française

AUGUST 1974

Action Plan 1974-1979 prepared by Olivier Tremblay

OCTOBER 11, 1974

Treasury Board Submission for Bureau de l'éducation française 1974-1975 budget

OCTOBER 28, 1974

Order-in-Council #MC33/74-6(a) approving the establishment of the Bureau de l'éducation française

JUNE 1976

Appointment of Raymond Hébert as Assistant Deputy Minister of the Bureau de l'éducation française

JULY 1979

Appointment of Ronald J. Duhamel as Assistant Deputy Minister of the Bureau de l'éducation française

SPRING 1982

Bureau de l'éducation française recognized as a Division of the Department

SEPTEMBER 1982

Appointment of Guy L. Roy as Assistant Deputy Minister of the Bureau de l'éducation française

DECEMBER 1982

Integration of the Centre de ressources within the Bureau de l'éducation française, known today as the Direction des ressources éducatives françaises (Library and Materials Production Branch)

1983

Policy on Basic French (revised 1990)

MAY 1984

Policy on French as a First Language Program

JANUARY 1994

Establishment of the Division scolaire franco-manitobaine

SEPTEMBER 1996

Curriculum Policy for the French Immersion Program in Manitoba (revised 1999)

2004

Basic French Guidelines:
A Handbook for School Divisions/Districts

MAY 2004

Appointment of Raymond Thériège as Assistant Deputy Minister of the Bureau de l'éducation française Division