

## Manitoba's Commission on Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education

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## MANITOBA'S COMMISSION ON KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 12 EDUCATION RELEASES PUBLIC CONSULTATION DISCUSSION PAPER AND SCHEDULE OF WORKSHOPS

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Students and excellence in student outcomes must be the central focus: Manness

Today, Manitoba's Commission on Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education released their public consultation discussion paper that will set the stage and act as a guide for Manitobans to provide input to the commission.

"Manitoba students and their families deserve excellence in education. A strong education can set students up for success – in the workforce, in post-secondary education, and in life in general," said Clayton Manness, Commission Co-Chair.

Manness went on to state that the areas of focus for the discussion paper include:

- A long-term vision to prepare students for a rapidly changing world
- How to achieve excellence in student outcomes
- Equipping teachers and school leaders with the tools they need to be successful
- Introducing stronger accountability structures to ensure students are succeeding
- What type of governance structures are needed to achieve better outcomes for Manitoba students
- How to fund the system to ensure it is sustainable and ensure that money is going to the areas where it is most needed

The commission wants to ensure that students, parents, teachers, school and division leaders, trustees, and the general public have a variety of ways to provide their input and share their views to help shape the future of education in the province.

There are various ways for Manitobans to participate in the review in both French and English:

- Workshops will be held across the province; if you would like to attend these interactive
  meetings, find information about locations and dates at:
   <a href="https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/educationreview/consultation.html">https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/educationreview/consultation.html</a> or call 204-945-4135 or
  toll free 877-491-2657
- Formal briefs may be submitted to the commission by email, fax or mail; all briefs will be considered to be a request to present at a public hearing and will be posted on the commission's website:

- Briefs must follow the template available online at: https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/educationreview/consultation.html
- Only one brief per individual or organization will be accepted
- Written submissions can be emailed, faxed or mailed to the commission and should follow the guidelines available online at: https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/educationreview/submissions.html
- Two online surveys will be available for Manitobans on Tuesday, April 16: one for the general public and one for teachers: <a href="https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/educationreview/consultation.html">https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/educationreview/consultation.html</a>

Public meetings will begin on April 24, 2019, and will be held in locations across the province. Members of the commission will be available to meet with individuals and stakeholders at the meetings.

Since students are a central focus of this review, the commission will hold engagement events to gather direct input from students from diverse community, cultural and linguistic backgrounds across the province. The commission is also considering additional consultations to ensure that students, particularly those living in vulnerable or marginalized circumstances, are heard.

The discussion paper and summary handout are available to the public and are available online in English at: <a href="https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/educationreview/consultation.html">https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/education/consultation.html</a> and in French at: <a href="https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/revueeducation/consultation.html">https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/revueeducation/consultation.html</a>.

A list of locations, dates and times of the public workshops is included in this release.

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## **Interactive Public Workshop Schedule**

Date	Time	Location
April 24, 2019	6:00 pm to 8:30 pm	Caboto Centre, 1055 Wilks Avenue, Winnipeg
April 25, 2019	6:00 pm to 8:30 pm	Westwood School 46 Mallard Crescent, Thompson
April 27, 2019	9:00 am to 11:30 am	Canad Inns Destination Centre Club Regent 1415 Regent Avenue West, Winnipeg
April 27, 2019	1:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Canad Inns Destination Centre Club Regent 1415 Regent Avenue West, Winnipeg
		This meeting will be facilitated in French. (Language interpretation available)
May 6, 2019	6:00 pm to 8:30 pm	Wescana Inn, 439 Fischer Avenue, The Pas
May 9, 2019	6:00 pm to 8:30 pm	Clarion Hotel & Suites, 3130 Victoria Avenue, Brandon
		Bilingual (Language interpretation available)
May 11, 2019	9:00 am to 11:30 am	Aspen Lodge, 200 1st Street SE, Dauphin
May 13, 2019	6:00 pm to 8:30 pm	Carman Collegiate, 121 4th Avenue SE, Carman
May 14, 2019	6:00 pm to 8:30 pm	Pat Porter Active Living Centre, 10 Chrysler Gate, Steinbach
May 15, 2019	6:00 pm to 8:30 pm	Winnipeg Venue to be announced