

Mosaic Increases Commitment to School Nutrition in Saskatchewan

The Mosaic School Nutrition Challenge is celebrating a new funding amount of \$15,000 per school for 2023 – 10 schools will be selected to receive funding and a record total of \$150,000 will be provided this year to encourage grassroots, local initiatives that promote student nutrition and healthier school environments.

“The Mosaic School Nutrition Challenge is an amazing partnership that has been in place for 17 years to support nutritional opportunities for students in our province,” said Jaimie Smith-Windsor, president of the Saskatchewan School Boards Association, which has administered the program in partnership with Mosaic since its inception. “We’re grateful to Mosaic for this longstanding and continued dedication to improving school nutrition environments.”

Since 2006, 93 schools have received funding to support improvements, which have included implementing or expanding nutrition programs, enhancing kitchen and garden facilities, increasing educational opportunities for students and families and

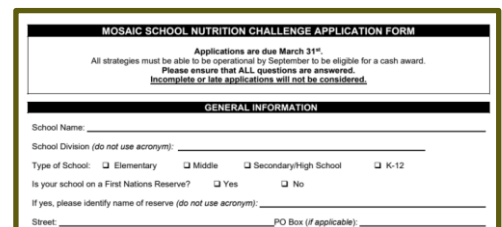
supporting reconciliation and cultural projects.

“We are proud to increase our level of support for the Mosaic School Nutrition Challenge,” said Sarah Fedorchuk, Mosaic’s Vice President of Government & Public Affairs. “Over the past 17 years, the winning schools have used the funds to create healthier school environments, and we can’t wait to see what this year’s winners can achieve with \$15,000.”

The 2023 Mosaic Challenge is now accepting applications and all schools across the province are encouraged to participate.



[Download the application](#)



MOSAIC SCHOOL NUTRITION CHALLENGE APPLICATION FORM

Applications are due **March 31***
All strategies must be able to be operational by September to be eligible for a cash award.
Please ensure that **ALL** questions are answered.
Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

GENERAL INFORMATION

School Name: _____

School Division (do not use acronym): _____

Type of School: Elementary Middle Secondary/High School K-12

Is your school on a First Nations Reserve? Yes No

If yes, please identify name of reserve (do not use acronym): _____

Street: _____ PO Box (if applicable): _____

[And check out a video about last year’s recipients’](#)



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Saskatchewan Broadband Action Committee



The Saskatchewan Broadband Action Committee (SBAC) was established in response to exacerbated broadband issues across the province due to COVID-19. The Committee is a cross-sector and community-based group of provincial, local and Indigenous organizations and networks, formed through a shared and collective

concern and understanding over the issues and lost opportunities related to broadband connectivity across the province. The key focus of the Committee is to assist with addressing long-standing issues affecting broadband connectivity and advise and direct actions leading to a shared strategy, investment and vision. The SSBA is committed to

supporting the SBAC in achieving greater connectivity for all Saskatchewan residents, regardless of address, through collaboration, co-ordination of common effort and partnerships. To learn more about the SBAC, please visit: <https://sarm.ca/resources/saskatchewan-broadband-action-committee/>.

Trustee Academy

More than 100 board members and division staff registered to attend this year's Trustee Academy, which was a virtual workshop delivered by Eli Mina, a meeting mentor and registered parliamentarian, on Jan. 26. The focus was Robert's Rules & Responsible Governance, designed to assist boards and management in conducting productive meetings, using rules of order sensibly and intelligently and achieving excellence in decision-making.

Topics were:

- Rules of Order and the Common Sense Factor
- Fundamental rules for debates: The OFEEDS acronym
- Roles of the Chair and Participants in ensuring effectiveness
- Main motions, amendments, 'tabling', quorum, voting issues
- Knowledge-based decision-making: goals, challenges
- Governing in the face of conflicting views, values and principles
- Consensus versus majority decision-making ('board solidarity')
- Balancing organizational v. constituency interests ('two-hats')
- Interactions between Elected Members and Management
- Public input, community consultation, and related interactions

Spring Assembly Agenda

2023 SPRING GENERAL ASSEMBLY

"Innovation, Inclusion, and Investment" Delta Hotel by Marriott – Saskatoon Downtown



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

- 8:30 a.m. Board Chair Council (Michelangelo A) *SSBA Executive and Boards Chairs or designate only*
- 12:30 p.m. Registration Desk Opens (Foyer)
- 1:00 p.m. Public Section (Michelangelo B & C)
Catholic Section (Michelangelo A)
- 2:30 p.m. Break
- 2:45 p.m. Provincial Education Plan Update (Michelangelo Ballroom)
- 4:15 p.m. Meeting Adjourn – Supper on own
- 7:00 p.m. Registration Desk re-opens (Foyer)
- 7:30 p.m. Welcome – President Jaimie Smith-Windsor /
Indigenous Protocols (Michelangelo Ballroom)
- 7:35 p.m. Greetings – Honourable Dustin Duncan, Minister
of Education
- 7:45 p.m. President's Address – Jaimie Smith Windsor
- 7:55 p.m. Executive Director's Address – Darren McKee
- 8:00 p.m. Dr. Alec Couros, Professor of Educational
Technology & Media – University of Regina
- 9:00 p.m. Adjourn – Social (Michelangelo Ballroom)

THURSDAY, APRIL 6

- 7:30 a.m. Registration Desk Opens (Foyer)
- 7:30 a.m. Smudging Ceremony (*optional*) (Verona)
- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast Buffet (Michelangelo Ballroom)
- 8:45 a.m. Welcome – President, Jaimie Smith-Windsor
- 8:50 a.m. Teacher Education Programming in
Saskatchewan: An Overview - Deans of
Education, U of R & U of S
- 10:00 a.m. Governance PD: Use of Committees - Ken Acton,
Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public
Policy
- 10:45 a.m. Break
- 11:00 a.m. SSBA Vision Renewal: Overview of the Process
- 12:00 p.m. Luncheon Buffet
- 12:45 p.m. Director's Performance Assessment Guide:
Update from the Quality Indicators Working
Advisory Group
- 1:30 p.m. Break
- 1:45 p.m. Networking Groups (see second page for
meeting rooms)
- 3:15 p.m. Spring General Assembly Concludes



"The mission of the SSBA is to provide leadership, coordination and services to member boards of education to support student achievement."

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Calendar Update

Upcoming SSBA Events in 2023:

General Insurance Plan Loss Prevention Seminar

March 29

Saskatoon

Spring Assembly

April 5-6

Saskatoon

Employee Benefits Plan Seminar

May 4-5

Regina

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week, Feb. 12-18

We ♥ our teachers and staff!

Thank you for everything you do.