

Orange Shirt Day Recognized in Saskatchewan



The SSBA Executive recognized Orange Shirt Day during its meeting in September.

Together with communities across the country, school boards throughout the province again officially recognized “Orange Shirt Day” on Sept. 30, as requested annually by the Saskatchewan School Boards Association (SSBA). Sept. 30 was also proclaimed federally as National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

“On behalf of our 27 member boards of education, the SSBA is encouraging school communities, and all residents of the province, to participate in Orange Shirt Day by wearing orange and taking the time to reflect on the history and harmful legacy of residential schools,” Jaimie Smith-Windsor, president of the SSBA, stated.

“This day represents an opportunity to expand our understandings and commit to growing together and toward reconciliation,” she continued.

Orange Shirt Day was first proclaimed in Saskatchewan in 2016 and the provincial government proclaims the day every year at the request of the SSBA.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Indigenous Education Responsibility Framework (IERF) has been translated into French and can be accessed on our [website](#).



2023 FALL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FORWARD FOCUS

DELTA HOTELS BY MARRIOTT REGINA – REGINA



SASKATCHEWAN
School Boards
ASSOCIATION

SUNDAY, NOV. 12

- 7:00 a.m. Pipe Ceremony (*Verdi*)
- 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Board Chairs Council (*Campania*)
- 6:00 p.m. Registration Desk Opens (*2nd floor Pre-Function Area*)
- 7:00 p.m. Student Entertainment – Campbell Collegiate Jazz Ensemble (*Trentino/Tuscany*)
- 7:15 p.m. Welcome and Introductions
- Fall AGM Opens
 - President’s Address
 - Executive Director’s Address
- 7:30 p.m. Keynote Speaker – Dr. Ken Coates: Guiding an Essential Transition - School Boards and the Challenges of Education in Tumultuous Times
- 8:30 p.m. Cash Bar Reception (*2nd floor Pre-Function Area*)

MONDAY, NOV. 13

- 7:30 a.m. Smudging (*Verdi*)
- 7:30 a.m. Registration Desk Opens (*2nd floor Pre-Function Area*)
- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast (*Trentino/Tuscany*)
- 8:45 a.m. Welcome and Greetings
- Greetings - CSBA and STF
- 9:00 a.m. Keynote Speaker – Dr. Jim Farney: Faith, Rights, and Choice - The Politics of Religious Schools in Canada
- 10:00 a.m. Annual General Meeting of the SSBA
- 2024 Strategic Plan and Budget
 - Procedures: Bylaw Amendments and Resolutions
- Recess AGM
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee Break
- 10:45 a.m. Networking Groups:
– Closed Session (*groups and room locations on reverse*)
- 12:00 p.m. Luncheon Buffet (*Trentino/Tuscany Room*)
- 12:45 p.m. General Insurance Plan Annual Report
– Christine Gradin
- 1:00 p.m. Employee Benefits Plan Annual Report
– Jerome Niezgoda
- 1:15 p.m. AGM (continued)
- Bylaw Amendments and Resolutions

MONDAY, NOV. 13 (continued)

- 3:30 p.m. Coffee Break / Meeting Recess for the Afternoon
- 3:45 p.m. Catholic Section Meeting (*Lombardy Room*)
Public Section Meeting (*Umbria Room*)
- 6:00 p.m. Cash Bar Reception (*2nd floor Pre-Function Area*)
- 7:00 p.m. Association Banquet and Awards (*Trentino/Tuscany*)
- Greetings from the Honourable Jeremy Cockrill, Minister of Education
 - Greetings from Her Worship Sandra Masters
- 7:15 p.m. Dinner
- 8:00 p.m. Awards Presentation
- 8:45 p.m. Entertainment – Resonance (musical duo)
- 9:15 p.m. Social Evening on own

TUESDAY, NOV. 14

- 7:30 a.m. Smudging (*Verdi*)
- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:45 a.m. Greetings – LEADS and SASBO
- 9:00 a.m. SSBA Vision Renewal (*Trentino/Tuscany Room*)
- 9:30 a.m. Northern Constituency Election (*Campania Room*)
- 9:30 a.m. Session for Boards not in Elections – SSBA Code of Conduct Policy (*Trentino/Tuscany Room*)
- Coffee Break
- 10:15 a.m. Southern Constituency Election (*Campania Room*)
- 10:30 a.m. Session for Boards not in Elections – Xerox Canada Presentation (*Trentino/Tuscany Room*)
- 11:00 a.m. 2023 Fall General Assembly Concludes
- Introduce New Executive
 - Oath of Office
- 11:15 a.m. AGM Adjourns/Lunch to Go



Keynote Speaker Ken Coates

Association Activity



SSBA President Jaimie Smith-Windsor promoted school zone safety in September in partnership with SGI.



The SSBA Executive met with new Minister of Education Jeremy Cockrill and SARM V-P Bill Huber in September.



In August the Executive visited Ile-a-la-Crosse and in July President Jaimie Smith Windsor attended CSBA Congress.





"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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Jaimie Smith-Windsor

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Jerome Niezgoda

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The Saskatchewan Broadband Action Committee

The Saskatchewan Broadband Action Committee (SBAC) is a cross-sector and community-based group of provincial, local, and Indigenous organizations, networks, and service providers. The committee was established in February 2021 in response to the exacerbated broadband issues experienced across the province due to COVID-19.

Formed through a shared and collective concern over the issues and lost opportunities for all citizens related to broadband connectivity across the province, we're committed to achieving broadband infrastructure parity by 2025, and exceed the CRTC standard by 2030, for all Saskatchewan residents, regardless of location.

Our key focus 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 Committee has identified four key building blocks that will help guide achievement of the above noted vision statement.

