



Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning

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To: Superintendents of School Divisions
Directors of First Nations Education Authorities
Manitoba School for the Deaf
Principals of Funded Independent Schools
Student Services Administrators

Dear Colleagues:

I am pleased to recognize October 2026 as Dyslexia Awareness Month in Manitoba.

The Learning Disabilities Association of Manitoba estimates that 10 to 15 per cent of the Canadian population struggles with a learning disability and up to 80 per cent of children with learning disabilities have difficulty learning to read.

Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning believes that all students have the right to learn to read. Dyslexia Awareness Month acknowledges that strengthening literacy achievement across Manitoba requires the collaborative efforts of home, school, and community to better understand and support students with dyslexia. Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning is committed to this goal through a comprehensive approach to literacy instruction that ensures all students develop the knowledge, skills, and attributes they need to reach their full potential and to live *The Good Life*.

Please share this proclamation as a message of acknowledgement and support for high levels of literacy achievement and well-being for all students, including those with dyslexia.

Sincerely,

Honourable Tracy Schmidt

Attachment

- c. Board Chairs, School Divisions
Principals of Public Schools
Independent and International Education Unit