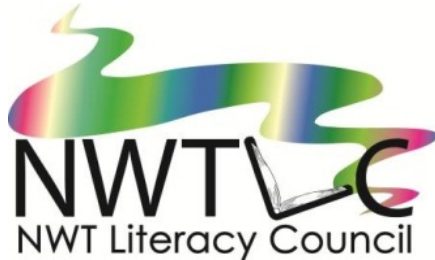


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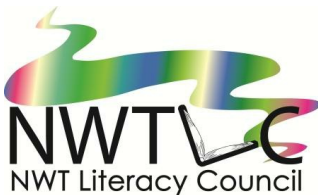
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Sharing knowledge through the generations

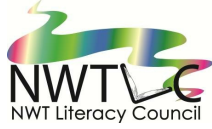
Often we think of early literacy as bedtime stories, singing and rhyming, and doing crafts together. As parents, we are our children's first teacher and they learn through these activities. My toddler loves all of these things, but she is also learning by playing in the garden...[Read more](#)



Announcements and Events

Nominate someone today for an NWT literacy award

June 1, 2018 is the deadline to nominate an adult learner, youth learner, educator, or organization for an [NWT literacy award](#).

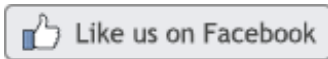


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The NWT Ministerial Literacy Awards honour the literacy achievements of youth learners, exceptional educators, and organizations across the territory.

The Northwest Territories Council of the Federation Literacy Award honours the achievements of an adult learner who has overcome obstacles and demonstrated outstanding progress in the pursuit of literacy skills in any of the NWT official languages.

Skill builders for youth training in June

Join us to learn how to include literacy and essential skills into programs for youth. Our training event is June 12-14 in Yellowknife. Spaces are limited. [Registration](#) forms are on our website, or call 1-866-599-6758, or email emily@nwtliteracy.ca

Orientation on family abuse and parenting

You are invited to an information session about [discussing family abuse and parenting with newcomers](#) to Canada. This event is Friday, May 25, 2018 from 8:30 am until noon at the Literacy Outreach Centre at 4509 Franklin Ave. in Yellowknife. You can RSVP to karen@nwtliteracy.ca or call 873-9262.

Funding

Deadline approaching fast for disability program funding

The [Enabling Accessibility Fund](#) supports accessible facilities and programs to improve the social and employment needs of people with disabilities. The deadline to apply is May 24, 2018.

Funding available for healing and reconciliation

The [National Indian Brotherhood Trust Fund](#) accepts applications for education programs aimed at healing, reconciliation, and knowledge building. The deadline for individuals to apply is June 8, 2018.

Apply now for seniors program money

The [New Horizons for Seniors Program](#) is accepting applications for up to \$25,000 in funding for community-based seniors programs. The deadline for proposals is June 15, 2018.

News, Opinion, and Research

Feds promise \$2.3M for training hundreds of Indigenous people in NWT

The federal government announced \$2.3 million over four years for Dechita Naowo - an organization in Ndilo, that offers free training in areas like environmental monitoring, construction, and administration...[Read more](#)

Can schools change measures of success by focusing on meaningful work instead of test scores?

In a city that's struggled to meet the educational needs of many of its children, especially its most vulnerable ones, a select group of district high schools is shunning the traditional classroom model in which teachers dispense knowledge from the front of the room and measure progress with tests...[Read more](#)

A trip down memory lane

I was excited to try out the latest Yellowknife novel, *One Good Thing*, by Rebecca Hendry. Set in 1970s Old Town the novel was inspired by Hendry's own time in Yellowknife as a child...[Read more](#)

Mad Magazine's clout may have faded, but its ethos matters more than ever

At its apex in the early 1970s, Mad's circulation surpassed 2 million. As of 2017, it was 140,000. As strange as it sounds, I believe the "usual gang of idiots" that produced Mad was performing a vital public service, teaching American adolescents that they shouldn't believe everything they read in their textbooks or saw on TV...[Read more](#)

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