

Literacy This Week

October 11, 2018

Literacy Dates

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Our Blog

Let's be clear and understood

Plain language writing and design is more important than ever. We have more information to process than in the past. And, we get much of our information on a screen, where we're more likely to scan text, rather than read it...<u>Read more</u>



Announcements and Events

Come to our annual general meeting

Come to meet our board members and staff at our annual general meeting this Saturday, October 13, 2018 at noon. We'll be at the Commissioners Room at the Days Inn. Everyone welcome.



United Way NWT accepting funding applications

<u>United Way NWT</u> invites funding applications from registered NWT charities. The maximum amount awarded to any one group in 2017 was \$7,500. The United Way NWT also awards a multi-year grant of up to \$15,000 a year for three years. The deadline to apply is November 30, 2018.

NWT Arts grants open

The <u>NWT Arts Council</u> is accepting applications for funding for projects to be completed during 2019-2020. Individual artists or organizations can apply. The deadline to apply is October 31, 2018.



News, Research, Opinion

Halted social work program at Aurora College should be expanded, report suggests

The major recommendation stemming from a 60-page review of Aurora College's social work diploma program is to expand it into a Bachelor of Social Work program...<u>Read more</u>

NWT launches two new Indigenous employment programs

The NWT government says it is creating two new programs to help Indigenous northerners get training and work experience. One program would create entry-level positions within the NWT government. The other helps its existing Indigenous staff members to get promotions toward management roles...<u>Read</u> more

Yukon First Nation hires people to learn Indigenous language and become teachers

The Champagne and Aishihik First Nations in Yukon are taking an unusual approach toward getting students to participate in a Southern Tutchone language immersion program — they're paying them. The hope is that the endangered Indigenous language will be revitalized...<u>Read more</u>

Hundreds of Canadian adults still struggle to read and write—but you wouldn't know it

William Chemno's educational journey in Toronto began in Parkdale. Originally from Kenya, the 32-year-old had his sights set on a post-secondary education. Chemno knew he needed to improve his reading, writing, and math skills. So, he joined Parkdale Project Read's Academic Upgrading Program, a communitybased adult literacy program...<u>Read more</u>

Children who go to day care are better behaved: study

It's a familiar scene: a parent drops off a screaming child at daycare only to walk away and feel addled with guilt all day long. Not only does the parent worry that their child is traumatized by the separation, but there's also the concern that daycare could expose them to social and physical ills...<u>Read more</u>



Resources and Websites

Yes I Can Mental health guide for adult literacy facilitators

6 things you can do to get boys reading more Connecting boys with books

ESL learners dictionary Merriam-Webster

10 ways to have a better conversation <u>TED.com</u>



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