

Literacy This Week

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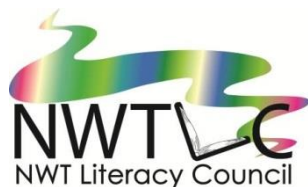
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We support literacy and essential skills in all the official languages of the Northwest Territories.

We're also plain language specialists.

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Literacy Dates

National Poetry Month - April

Children's Book Week - May 3-10

Our Blog

Four reasons I loved my summer job at the NWT Literacy Council

We're hiring a summer student. I worked at the Council for four summers and highly recommend this summer job. Here are my top four reasons why...[Read more](#)



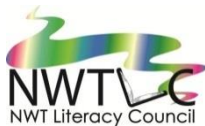
Announcements and Events

We're looking for a summer student

We're hiring a summer student to help prepare resource materials for publication and to work on summer literacy events. Applicants must be full-time students, under 30 years of age, and intending to return to their studies in the fall. Please send resumes to nwtliteracy@nwtliteracy.ca by Friday, May 2, 2014.

Skills Canada has openings for apprentices for territorial competition

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Skills Canada NWT has spaces for post-secondary competitors at the 2014 Territorial Skills Competition. The openings are for registered apprentices in the following trades: carpentry, electrical, plumbing, millwright, auto service and welding. If interested, contact as soon as possible skillsnt.events@skillscanada.com or 873-8743.

Basic Income Earth Network meeting in Montreal

The 15th [International Congress of the Basic Income Earth Network](#) meets in Montreal June 27 to 29. There will also be a Preconference Workshop Day on Thursday June 26th (also the 13th annual North American Basic Income Guarantee - NABIG - Congress) to focus on political strategies for advancing basic income in Canada and the U.S.

2014 call for nominations for 3M Health Leadership Award

The [3M Health Leadership Award](#) honours leaders in Canada who have made a significant impact on the health and well-being of their community. The deadline for nominations is Friday June 20, 2014.

Funding

Anti-Poverty fund open for applications

The Government of the NWT set up a \$500,000 [Anti-Poverty Fund](#). The fund allows territorial stakeholders to work with the GNWT on tangible, concrete actions that reduce and eliminate poverty in the NWT. The deadline to apply is May 22, 2014.

Service learning grants available

The [State Farm Youth Advisory Board service-learning grant program](#) is now accepting applications. The grants range from \$25,000 - \$100,000 and are designed to create sustainable change in local communities across Canada and the United States. Public K-12, charter, higher education institutions, and nonprofit organizations are eligible, but must be able to demonstrate how they plan to impact student achievement within the public K-12 curriculum. The deadline to apply is May 2, 2014.

News and Research

Fort Smith stories come to life in graphic novels

Northern Journal, April 21, 2014

A new wave of hilarious, heart-wrenching and magical stories of Fort Smith as told by NWT-born author Richard Van Camp is soon to be published for the world to enjoy, only this time they will be brought to life by a variety of indigenous graphic artists...[Read more](#)

International family policy comparisons: why Canada lags behind

Canada lags behind most other industrial countries on many of the international family policy rankings, including public investments. In most provinces, this reflects the on-going fragmentation of both our systems for and our thinking about

families with young children...[Read more](#)

Study shows afternoon sleep benefits young childrens' learning

Reading to your toddler before their nap significantly enhances their learning, according to new University of Sussex research...[Read more](#)

Children and poverty: the role of preschool

This is a call for early childhood professionals to more explicitly recognize, understand, and value their natural position in the fight against poverty...[Read more](#)

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50 office jargon phrases we hate

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