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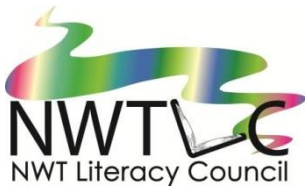
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We're the family, youth and adult literacy and essential skills centre for excellence.

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

We're also plain language specialists.

[Check out our website to learn more](#)

Literacy Dates

International Book Giving Day - February 14

Freedom to Read Week - February 23 - March 1

Our Blog

Spreading our love of books

When you think of February 14, do you think of roses, chocolates and kids giving cards to all their friends?

Valentine's Day is a great time to remind the people around us that we care for them. At the NWT Literacy Council we use this date to share the love of reading.

[Read our blog](#) for ways you can share the love of reading.



Announcements and Events

Our Facebook followers win books

We're continuing our Facebook contests today and early next week. The guess- which-book-we-are-reading contests celebrate both our northern Olympic athletes and International Book Giving Day.

Winning a contest prize is just one reason you should [Like our Facebook page!](#)



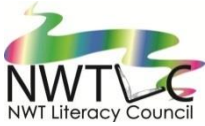
Video Contest open for youth

The [Arctic Children and Youth Foundation video contest](#) is open to students across Canada's Arctic between the ages of 14-24. Videos should be about issues in your community and less than five minutes. The deadline for entries is March 1, 2014.

Dettah school collecting Canadian Tire money

[Kaw Tay Whee School](#) in Dettah is collecting Canadian Tire money until school break. This money is used to enhance kitchen and outdoor education

Support Literacy



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- [Join the Council](#)

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programming. You can drop yours off at the school.

Funding

CIRA's new program invests in projects that enhance Canada's Internet

The [Canadian Internet Registration Authority](#) is the organization that manages the .CA domain. It has funds available to community groups, not-for-profits, and academic institutions for projects that will make the Internet even better for Canadians. The deadline for applications is February 28, 2014.

Northwest Territories Law Foundation

The [NWT Law Foundation](#) has funds available to assist groups who have projects that contribute to legal education or research that recommends reform of the law or administration of justice. Deadline for applications is March 31, 2014.

News and Research

Tẖcho̱ government challenges children to read

Northern Journal, February 10, 2014

A new literacy initiative by the Tẖcho̱ government that is challenging students to read as many books as possible has been embraced by teachers and students alike...[Read more](#)

School boards balk at 'free' junior kindergarten

NNSL, February 12, 2014

A plan to have free junior kindergarten across the territory in three years may have parents jumping for joy, but the heads of Yellowknife's school boards are concerned existing classrooms will suffer for it...[Read more](#)

Why food education matters

This article argues for educating children about food choices and eating healthy. So many kids don't know that real food doesn't come out of a box...[Read more](#)

Anti-poverty action plan and education renewal update tabled in Legislative Assembly

Since the Legislative Assembly resumed sitting last week the NWT government has tabled important social policy documents.

- [A Framework for Early Childhood Development in the Northwest Territories](#)
- [Education Renewal and Innovation Engagement Update](#)
- [Government of the Northwest Territories Anti-Poverty Action Plan, Building on the Strength of Northerners](#)
- [Pathways to Wellness: An Updated Action Plan for Addictions and Mental Health](#)
- [Response to Healing Voices: the Report of the Minister's Forum on Addictions and Community Wellness](#)
- [2014-2015 Budget Address](#)

Federal budget and literacy and essential skills

The most important budget items are the Labour Market Agreements and the Canada Job Grants. In Budget 2013, the government indicated it would renegotiate the Labour Market Agreements with the provinces and territories. The new LMAs would be built around the Canada Job Grant...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

Access to books

[Sourcing and providing access to books in First Nations communities](#)

10 tips for managing and keeping volunteers

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10 major technology trends in education

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