

Literacy This Week

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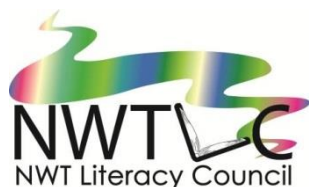
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We support literacy and essential skills in all the official languages of the Northwest Territories.

We're also plain language specialists.

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Literacy Dates

Canadian Library Month - October

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty - October 17

Persons' Day - October 18

Announcements and Events

Sign Up for Our November Training

We are delivering a Proposal Writing Workshop November 25-26 and a Facilitation Skills Workshop on November 27 in Yellowknife. There are three ways to register.

- Call 1-866-599-6758 or 873-9262
- Email nwtliteracy@nwtliteracy.ca
- Download a [registration form](#) and fax it to 1-867-873-2176

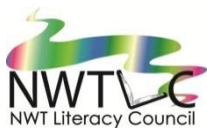
Do You Know Any Hometown Heroes?

You can nominate an environmental leader until March 31, 2014 for a [Hometown Heroes Award](#). The award winners receive cash prizes for an organization of their choice.

Canada Without Poverty Offering Online Human Rights Course

The online [Economic and Social Rights Education](#) course runs from November 11 until December 8. The course requires a 5-7 hours per week commitment for readings, participation in discussion rooms, attendance on two conference calls and participation in the pre and post evaluation process. The cost is \$95.

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in the NWT

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Funding

NWT United Way Seeks Proposals

The [NWT United Way](#) seeks proposals from registered charities involved in community services for projects up to \$5,000 each for its three priority areas. The deadline to apply is October 23, 2013.

Opportunities Fund for Persons With Disabilities

The [Opportunities Fund](#) helps people with disabilities prepare for, obtain and maintain employment or self-employment.

News and Research

Adult Competencies Among Lowest in Canada

Northern Journal, October 14, 2013

New research released last week ranks adult competencies in the NWT second from the bottom out of the 13 provinces and territories. While disappointing, those results are not surprising, Helen Balanoff, executive director of the NWT Literacy Council, told The Journal...[Read more](#)

Would-be Teachers Get a Taste of Culture at Camp

Northern Journal, October 14, 2013

Six future teachers studying at Aurora College's Thebacha campus ventured into the bush last week for a three-day camping trip to learn about Aboriginal culture and living on the land...[Read more](#)

Nobel, Man Booker Wins Reveal Canada's Confidence as a Literary Nation

Globe and Mail, October 16, 2013

Eleanor Catton, who on Tuesday won the Man Booker Prize, one of the most prestigious literary awards in the world, is 28 years old. The novel for which she won, *The Luminaries*, is 848 pages, the longest book ever to win...[Read More](#)

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