



# 2018 Literacy Awards

*“All NWT residents benefit from literacy”*

## Council of the Federation Literacy Award

The 2018 Northwest Territories Council of the Federation Literacy Award will honour the achievements of an adult learner who has overcome challenges and demonstrated outstanding progress in the pursuit of literacy skills in any of the eleven NWT Official Languages.

## Ministerial Literacy Awards

Ministerial Literacy Awards provide an opportunity to honour the literacy achievements of exceptional youth, educators and organizations across the Northwest Territories in any of the eleven NWT Official Languages.

### Who is eligible?

There are 4 categories of awards:

- **NWT youth learners** (ages 16 to 25) who have demonstrated exceptional commitment to their own literacy development, have overcome literacy challenges and have been role models for other youth
- **NWT adult learners** (26 years and over) who have excelled in literacy achievement, improved personal literacy levels, helped others to improve their literacy levels and must have been enrolled in classes within the past 18 months.
- **NWT organizations, literacy committees or programs** which have advocated for literacy and improved literacy levels in their communities
- **NWT educators: teachers, tutors or literacy facilitators** who have demonstrated an outstanding dedication to literacy



## How many winners will there be?

One each of the youth, adult and organization, literacy committee or program awards will be awarded.

Three distinct awards make up the educator category:

- a. *Professional Educator*: A professional teacher or literacy facilitator who has demonstrated outstanding dedication to literacy in their professional life
- b. *Volunteer Educator*: A volunteer educator who has demonstrated outstanding dedication to literacy in their volunteer work
- c. *Literacy Champion*: An individual whose work, both professional and volunteer, in the field of literacy has had wide ranging positive effects over a number of years.

## What does the adult winner of the Council of the Federation Award receive?

The award winner will receive a Council of the Federation medallion, a cheque for \$300.00 and a certificate from the Premier of the Northwest Territories.

## What do winners of the Ministerial Literacy Award receive?

The award winners will each receive a congratulatory letter and a certificate from the Minister of Education, Culture and Employment. The youth and educator award winners will each receive an eReader and the organization award winner will receive a plaque.

## How do nominations work?

1. Fill out the nomination form which follows; two letters of support are required.
2. Additional supporting material, such as photographs, audio-visuals, publications and products, are welcome but not necessary.



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### **When will the awards be presented?**

The awards will be presented at a ceremony in Yellowknife in the fall of 2018.

### **When is the deadline for submitting nominations?**

**The deadline for nominations is Friday, June 1, 2018.**



## 2018 Literacy Awards Nomination Form

Name of nominee:	
Nomination category:	<p>Choose One:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Youth Learner</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Adult Learner</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Professional Educator</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Educator</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Literacy Champion</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Organization, literacy committees or literacy program</p>
Address:	
Phone number:	
Fax number:	
Email:	



## **Please answer the following questions:**

1. Why do you believe the nominee should be recognized for efforts to improve their personal literacy levels and/or enhance literacy in the NWT?
2. Provide examples of the activities that the nominee has been involved in that demonstrate outstanding dedication to either improving their own and others' literacy (adult learner, youth learner) or promoting and enhancing literacy in one or more of the official languages of the Northwest Territories (youth, educator, organization).



3. Provide a brief background history of the nominee's involvement with literacy.

4. Youth and Adult Learner

What kinds of personal challenges has the nominee overcome to improve their literacy and how have they supported others to overcome challenges?

Educator/Champion/Organization

How have the nominee's efforts impacted the community? Has the nominee's literacy work been important to their community, to the Northwest Territories or to Canada as a whole?



Name of nominator:	
Address:	
Phone number:	
Fax number:	
Email:	

Additional Requirements:

I have attached two letters of support with the nomination form.

I have provided support materials such as photographs, audio-visuals, publications and products which are being submitted with the nomination. They are:

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