

Preface

Report Structure

This annual report is organized in accordance with the Manitoba Education and Training appropriation structure, as set out in the Estimates of Expenditure of the Province of Manitoba for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2018.

The report includes information at the main and sub-appropriation levels relating to the department's objectives, and actual results achieved. Financial performance information provides expenditure and revenue variance explanations and a five-year adjusted historical table of staffing and expenditures.

Department's Role

Manitoba Education and Training facilitates high quality, accessible learning and training opportunities for children, youth and adults, ensuring a skilled and adaptable workforce that supports the needs of Manitoba, and ensures that Manitobans are able to participate in the social, economic, environmental and cultural fabric of the province.

Manitoba Education and Training promotes Manitoba as an immigration, education and investment destination of choice for skilled workers, international students and entrepreneurs. Manitoba Education and Training also provides leadership on international qualifications recognition.

The department is responsible for developing a broad labour market strategy that builds on partnerships and consultations with post-secondary institutions, industry, employers, community, education and labour, and other government stakeholders to align learning and workforce needs in a comprehensive lifespan approach.

The department is also responsible for the overall legislative and regulatory structure governing K-12 education (English, Français and French immersion), adult learning, apprenticeship, and post-secondary education systems.

The Minister of Education and Training is the Chair of the Healthy Child Committee of Cabinet and Minister responsible for The Healthy Child Manitoba Act, and as such leads the development and implementation of the Healthy Child Manitoba Strategy, which works across departments and sectors to facilitate a community development approach for the well-being of Manitoba's children, families and communities.

Manitoba Education and Training also represents the Province in discussions with the federal or other provincial/territorial governments to ensure Manitoba's priorities are recognized and to benefit from national projects and initiatives, in many cases taking a lead role. This includes working closely internally and with other government departments and third party partners to promote a unified direction for education, immigration and improved labour markets in Manitoba and across Canada.

Manitoba Education and Training has an extensive and complex mandate inclusive of early childhood education, K-12 education, Indigenous education, adult learning, apprenticeship, post-secondary education, workforce development, immigration and economic opportunities.

Highlights

In 2017/18, department highlights include:

- Provided career development and training opportunities in partnership with stakeholders to unemployed and employed individuals. As of March 31, 2018,
 - there were 11,064 active apprentices, including 2,221 newly registered apprentices in 2017/18;
 - career development supports were provided to 25,865 youth and skills development programs supported 2,982 participants; and
 - employment services were provided to 27,089 individuals, and industry services trained 27,619 new and existing workers while providing 35,830 more with career information.
- Signed new federal/provincial labour market transfer agreements which provided greater learning opportunities to help individuals transition to the workforce and for workers to increase their skills to retain or advance their employment.
- Partnered with the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs and the Treaty Relations Commissioner of Manitoba, work began on a long-term project to revise the K-11 social studies curriculum to include Treaty Education.
- Consulted with stakeholders and community members to enhance K-12 education in the following areas:
 - **Indigenous Education** – over 200 stakeholder organizations attended roundtables that focussed on identifying barriers and solutions to improving Indigenous education, training and workforce participation.
 - **Literacy and Numeracy** – over 700 Manitobans shared their perspectives and ideas on topics they identified as critical to impacting and improving achievement in literacy and numeracy for all Manitobans.
 - **French Language Education** – over 300 stakeholders and members from the community attended a forum to discuss the future of French language education.
- Awarded contracts for the construction of a new K-8 school in Winkler and a new grades 9-12 high school in Niverville as well as for six other significant addition and renovation projects at other schools across Manitoba including Altona, Dugald, La Salle, Neepawa and Winnipeg.
- Released the Manitoba College Education review with recommendations that build on existing college system strengths to enhance and modernize post-secondary education in the province.
- Enhanced the Manitoba Scholarship and Bursary Initiative (MSBI) to make available \$20M in scholarships and bursaries to Manitoba students through participating institutions and organizations. In addition, changes were made to the Manitoba Bursary to provide up-front financial support to students' post-secondary education goals.
- Streamlined the Manitoba Provincial Nominee Program to strengthen economic outcomes for provincial nominees.
- Eliminated the MPNP application backlog and, through the Expression of Interest system, maintained processing times of six months or less for Skilled Worker applications.
- Introduced a cost-recovery model that reinvests MPNP revenues into long-term economic growth.
- Completed review of registration practices of the 30 self-regulated professions in Manitoba to ensure they meet the requirements under the Fair Registration Practices in Regulated Professions Act.
- Tabled the second Report on the Health of Manitoba's Children and Youth in the Legislature in spring 2017, which illustrates with provincial data how children and youth in Manitoba are doing on multiple health and wellness indicators across Manitoba.

- Developed the Department of Education and Training's Strategic Action Plan (2017/18) to provide clear direction on how the department will help to fulfil the government's mandate in fiscal year 2017/18.

Statutes

In 2017/18. The Department of Education and Training operated under the authority of the following Acts of the Consolidated Statutes of Manitoba

- The Adult Learning Centres Act
- The Adult Literacy Act
- The Advanced Education Administration Act
- The Advisory Council on Workforce Development Act
- The Apprenticeship and Certification Act
- The Apprenticeship Employment Opportunities Act
- The Brandon University Act
- The Certified Occupations Act
- The Colleges Act
- The Community Schools Act
- The Degree Granting Act
- The Education Administration Act
- The Fair Registration Practices in Regulated Professions Act
- The Healthy Child Manitoba Act
- The Helen Betty Osborne Memorial Foundation Act
- The International Education Act
- The Manitoba Institute of Trades and Technology Act
- The Manitoba Teachers' Society Act
- The Private Vocational Institutions Act
- The Property Tax and Insulation Assistance Act
- The Public Schools Act
- The Public Schools Finance Board Act
- The Red River College Act
- The Student Aid Act
- The Teachers' Pensions Act
- The Université de Saint-Boniface Act
- The University College of the North Act
- The University of Manitoba Act
- The University of Winnipeg Act