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**TO:** Board Chair, Secretary-Treasurer and Superintendent, All Divisions and Districts

**FROM:** Janis Arnold, Director, Governance and Professional Development Services

**RE:** 2022 School Trustee Elections

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With the October 26 school trustee elections now five months away, the Manitoba School Boards Association is working to provide the general public, potential candidates and school divisions with information and resources designed to increase awareness and understanding of the importance of these elections, and the processes surrounding them. Included with this memo are two key documents in this regard:

- [School Boards and Trusteeship in Manitoba](#)
- a [flyer](#) announcing the 2022 virtual candidate information session (an on-demand video version of this session will be available in the coming weeks).

I would ask that you share this information with the Senior Election Official for your division.

These documents, along with links to relevant legislation such as [The Public Schools Act](#) and [The Municipal Councils and School Boards Elections Act](#), can be found on our dedicated 2022 election page at [mbschoolboards.ca/elections](https://mbschoolboards.ca/elections). This page will serve as a single, convenient portal for both potential school trustee candidates and voters looking to learn more about the work of school boards prior to the October 26 elections. We will update this page regularly with new information.

School divisions and districts may find it helpful to include a link to the association's election page or individual association resources on their own websites, as well as division-specific information. Feel free to also share this information through any of your social media platforms. This may include details about obtaining or filing nomination papers, a divisional contact who can respond to election-related questions, and, once nominations open, a list of and information about declared candidates. In September, we will be augmenting our own election page with a province-wide list of candidates.

Following the elections, we will again be holding an orientation session for new trustees, on December 1 and 2 at the Victoria Inn in Winnipeg. Program and registration packages will be sent to boards in the fall. We ask that school boards keep these dates in mind as they begin planning their own fall calendars. You may also wish to inform all candidates about this provincial training opportunity.

I hope you find this information helpful in your local election-awareness efforts. Please share it with your board colleagues and administration. Should you have any questions, please contact me at 204-898-4880 or [jarnold@mbschoolboards.ca](mailto:jarnold@mbschoolboards.ca). Thank you.

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