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EGADZ LAUNCHES MISSING YOUTH SASKATCHEWAN APP



I was pleased to join the live demonstration of the Missing Youth Saskatchewan app on behalf of my colleague, Social Services Minister Gene Makowsky. Along with everyone present, I was excited to learn more about this app that I've heard will help reduce the number of young people who go missing from government care – and not just in Saskatoon, but across Saskatchewan.

EGADZ has always placed a focus on listening to the young people who they work for.

Then, developing programs and services based on their ideas, experiences and wisdom.

The success of their Operation Runaway risk assessment tool is a perfect example of how important youth voices are. This new app expands on that tool, and I have no doubt will be invaluable for agencies in supporting youth across the province.

Please read the news release below pledging our government's financial support to this project. It will help youth workers engage with youth and focus on reporting young people who are truly at risk, more effectively engaging police services for youth who need to be prioritized.

News Release: EGADZ is launching a new app to reduce the number of young people who are reported missing from government care. The Saskatoon Police Service and the Government of Saskatchewan joined EGDAZ for a live demonstration of the app that will be rolled out to Saskatoon agencies first and then expanded to agencies across the province in the coming months.

"I am pleased to announce we provided close to \$50,000 to support the development of the Missing Youth Saskatchewan app to engage and support these youth," Saskatoon Willowgrove MLA Ken Cheveldayoff said on behalf of Social Services Minister Gene Makowsky. "EGADZ continues to be one of the most innovative community-based organizations in all of Canada, and we are so proud to partner with them to support vulnerable youth here in Saskatoon."

The app builds on EGADZ's Operation Runaway risk assessment tool that helps youth workers engage with and assess the youth's level of risk if they do not return to their home as scheduled. It was developed using input from the EGADZ youth committee and is informed by their lived experiences with being in care. If the app guides the worker to report the young person missing, with a click of a button the worker can then easily share all relevant information with their local police services.

"The Saskatoon Police Service has had a long and successful partnership with EGADZ in our joint efforts to address the needs of youth at risk," Saskatoon Police Service Deputy Chief Randy Huisman said. "We look forward to the digital expansion of the Operation Runaway program and the opportunity to build additional working relationships with other youth care homes."

"Not all young people who miss a check-in with their worker are at risk of harm," EGADZ Executive Director Don Meikle said. "Our youth committee was really clear that we need to engage police services for youth who need to be prioritized and report young people who are truly at risk."

EGADZ Launches Missing Youth Saskatchewan App | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan



Bell Let's Talk Day 2023

On January 25th and everyday let's keep the conversation going on mental health and take action for positive change.



Today and every day throughout the year, we can all take meaningful action to create positive change.

SASKATCHEWAN SEES STRONG GROWTH IN WHOLESALE TRADE



Saskatchewan's trade strength continues to build, with the value of wholesale trade seeing an increase of 26.7 per cent between November 2021 and 2022. This is the highest increase among the provinces.

The total value of wholesale trade in November 2022 was \$4.0 billion.

"Saskatchewan's economic growth has been leading the country, and these wholesale trade numbers are a key indicator of the strength in the province," Trade and Export Development Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "We are building an economy that works for the people of the province, and we are committed to increasing trade, boosting exports and strengthening international relationships."

Saskatchewan has seen growth in many economic indicators. This past week, it was announced manufacturing sales have increased by 27 per cent in November 2022 compared to November 2021, first among the provinces. Investment in building construction was also up 22.9 per cent during the same time.

Growth has also been seen in the job market. Saskatchewan has the second lowest unemployment rate in Canada at 4.1 per cent, well below the national average of 5.0 per cent (seasonally adjusted).

CANADA AND SASKATCHEWAN INVEST IN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS TO STRENGTHEN COMMUNITIES



Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities, and Saskatchewan's Government Relations Minister Don McMorris, announced more than \$19.7 million in joint funding for 25 infrastructure projects across the province.

The construction of new facilities at the First Nations University of Canada's Land-based Learning Centre in Regina is included in this funding. The centre will serve as a place for Indigenous teaching and learning on the land. It will include overnight facilities such as cabins, shower and washroom facilities, a mess hall with a kitchen, water and wastewater infrastructure, along with a permanent sweat lodge structure and an outdoor learning centre.

Funding will also provide improvements to Estevan's Leisure Centre to enhance the quality of facilities for residents. This project will include the rehabilitation of its rooftop for increased sustainability and the

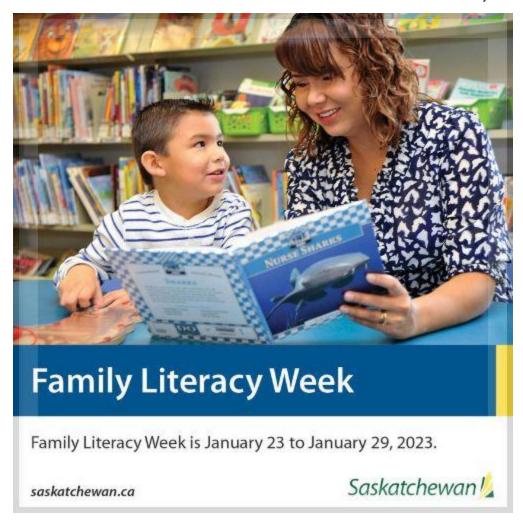
replacement of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems to reduce the building's carbon footprint.

<u>Canada and Saskatchewan Invest in Infrastructure Projects to Strengthen Communities | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan</u>

YOU MAY QUALIFY TO BECOME AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONDER

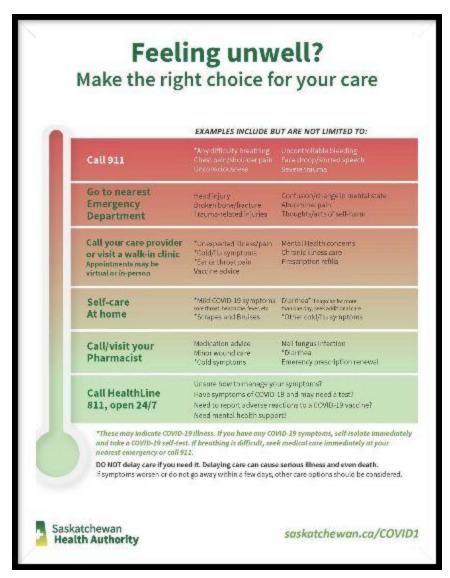


FAMILY LITERACY WEEK IS JANUARY 23 - JANUARY 29, 2023



This week is Family Literacy Week. This year's theme, Celebrate Your Heritage, encourages families to learn about their heritage together.

MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICE FOR YOUR CARE



Feeling unwell? Not sure where to go/what to do for advice or care? Choose where to go/who you contact based on your symptoms.

COVID self-test kits are available for pick up across the province (www.saskatchewan.ca/covid19). Keep a testing kit available in your home in case of illness. Always wear a mask if you feel unwell and have to leave your home to seek medical care.

LEARN MORE ABOUT RESPIRATORY THERAPY AT SAIT



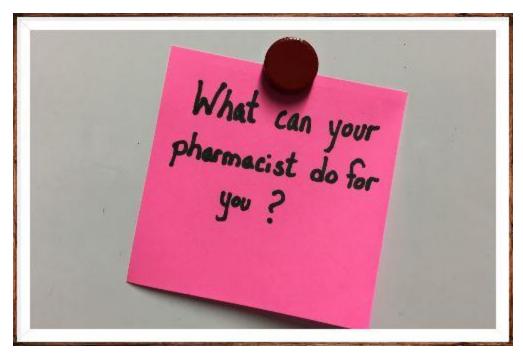
Are you searching for a rewarding career with growth and opportunity? Respiratory therapy may be the perfect fit for you!

Respiratory Therapists are in high demand in our province. The <u>Government of Saskatchewan</u> reserves seats for qualified Saskatchewan students to study respiratory therapy at <u>SAI</u>T.

Bonus: Your clinical training will be in Saskatchewan and you may be eligible for financial support such as Saskatchewan student loans and grants.

Learn more about respiratory therapy at SAIT and how you can apply https://www.sait.ca/programs.../diplomas/respiratory-therapy

DID YOU KNOW?

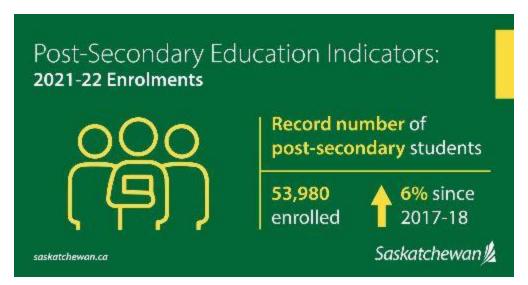


Did you know your pharmacist can help with a range of conditions and minor ailments and can even help with emergency prescription refills?

Talk to them about acid reflux, bacterial skin infections, conjunctivitis (inflammation of the eye), emergency contraception, erectile dysfunction, some immunizations, nail fungus infection, shingles, urinary tract infections and more.

More: https://saskpharm.ca/site/forthepublic/healthcareservices

POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION INDICATORS



A record number of Saskatchewan post-secondary students enrolled in credential programs for the 2021-22 academic year - 53,980 students! Enrolments have increased by 6% since 2017-18.

Read the full Post-Secondary Education Indicators Report on Enrolments at saskatachewan.ca, and check out the statistics on Saskatchewan's Dashboard

here: https://dashboard.saskatchewan.ca/education-learning

UNIQUE SKATING RINKS IN SASKATCHEWAN



How do you make the most of a frosty winter day? Many Saskatchewanians embrace the season by bundling up, strapping on some skates and gliding across icy surfaces, which there is no shortage of in the province.

Read their latest blog to discover a few unique skating rinks across the province to check out this winter.

Unique Skating Rinks in Saskatchewan | Tourism Saskatchewan |

In Saskatoon check out this link: <u>Ice Skating In Saskatoon | Free Skating Rinks & Ponds (tourismsaskatoon.com)</u> ... and don't forget the great outdoor rink in our constituency, the Quinn Stevenson Memorial rink located at Dr. John G. Egnatoff School..



SASKATCHEWAN STUDENTS - ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A SUMMER JOB?



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SaskParks hire hundreds of seasonal staff to work in Saskatchewan's beautiful provincial parks in the summer. Get paid to spend your summer working outdoors and making a difference in our parks! Browse

through the different types of positions we have to offer to see which is the best fit for you.

Are you looking for an opportunity to experience the outdoors while getting great work experience this summer? If you like being a part of special events, outdoor adventure, and letting your creativity shine, SaskParks has summer student opportunities available across the province!

Apply now at Apply

ARE YOU READY TO RESERVE YOUR CAMPSITE?



With reservation dates set, start planning your home-away-from-home in Saskatchewan Provincial Parks this summer.

For more information on reservations, fees and new services, visit http://saskparks.com

CHECK THE SASKATCHEWAN HIGHWAY HOTLINE BEFORE TRAVELLING



We can expect a week of snow and then a frigid weekend.

Travelling this week and not sure about road conditions? Be sure to use the Highway Hotline app to plan a safe route, or maybe save that trip for another day.

HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE NEXT WASCANA CENTRE MASTER PLAN



The Wascana Centre Master Plan provides a roadmap to guide growth, development and sustainability in Wascana Centre. In 2023, the plan will be renewed, and we need your voice to shape the future direction of this unique urban park. Led by the Provincial Capital Commission, this will be the 11th version of the Wascana Centre Master Plan.

"The master plan is a vital part of the history, growth and legacy of Wascana Centre," Minister Responsible for the Provincial Capital Commission Don McMorris said. "Since 1962, the master plan has allowed us to develop a shared vision of Wascana Centre and we welcome the public's input on the future of the park."

<u>Have Your Say On The Next Wascana Centre Master Plan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan</u>

PLEASE KEEP IN TOUCH



I appreciate any opportunity to make a positive difference in our constituency.

Your phone calls, letters, and emails make a big difference in keeping me informed on the issues that matter to you.

If you would like me to recognize anyone or have your event mentioned in this newsletter, please don't hesitate to call or email me.

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PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE PLANNING A COMMUNITY EVENT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO INCLUDE IN OUR NEWSLETTER



WINTER PLAY PROGRAM BEGINS SATURDAY, JANUARY 28



The Winter Play Program will kick off on Saturday, January 28 and will also be held on Saturday, February 4 and Saturday, February 11.

The Winter Play Program is a free drop-in program for ages 6 to 12. Drop in from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the scheduled dates for winter games and activities. Each session is a great way for children to stay active while learning and developing skills in classic Canadian and Indigenous winter sports. All equipment is provided.

The Winter Play Program will run at a different park each week with the on-site buildings being available to warm up. Locations are as follows:

Saturday, January 28

Greystone Heights Rec Unit

2711 Main Street

1:00-4:00 p.m.

Activities will include snowskating and kicksledding.

Saturday, February 4

Westview Rec Unit

2230 Richardson Road

1:00-4:00 p.m.

Activities will include snowskating and kicksledding.

Saturday, February 11

Charlottetown Park

3130 Laurier Drive (behind Cosmo Civic Centre)

1:00-4:00 p.m.

Activities will include skin skiing and snowshoeing.

Please note, activities will be cancelled if the temperature reaches -25°C or below with the wind chill or due to adverse ice conditions

WOMEN BREAKING BARRIERS



Women Breaking Barriers is an accessible professional development and networking opportunity for midcareer professionals taking place on March 2, 2023. This conference is hosted by the Saskatchewan Science Centre and supported by the Status of Women Office.

You will meet and learn from executives on how to take the next step in your career, not just breaking the glass ceiling but also changing culture and innovating in the workplace.

The conference will be hosted in-person in Regina at the Saskatchewan Science Centre, with satellite locations throughout the province. The venue in Saskatoon is the Western Development Museum.

On behalf of the Minister responsible for the Status of Women, I look forward to meeting you in Saskatoon at this exciting career development conference!

Tickets can be purchased:

https://www.sasksciencecentre.com/.../women-breaking...

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE JEANS & JEWELS GALA



The 2023 Jim Pattison Children's Hospital Jeans & Jewels Gala, presented by <u>The Mosaic Company-Canada</u>, early bird deadline is just one week away! Purchase your table by January 31, and you'll be entered to win a FREE TABLE to the 2024 Jeans & Jewels Gala!

The entertaining evening supports critical provincial maternal and children's programs, innovative research, and urgently needed equipment at Saskatchewan's Jim Pattison Children's Hospital. This year's Jeans & Jewels Gala on May 5th will feature a special guest appearance by <u>Aaron Pritchett</u> who will rock the house!

Buy your table NOW before the early bird deadline: https://pattisonchildrens.ca/help-now/buy-now/gala-table/

"EVERGREEN" AT BURNT THICKET THEATRE



When: February 2-12, 2023** (7:30pm Thurs.-Sun. / 2pm Sat. & Sun.)

Where: The BackStage Stage at The Remai Arts Centre, 100 Spadina Crescent East, Saskatoon

Tickets: Pay-What-You-Choose \$15-\$50 - On Sale Now

Buy tickets online by clicking the button above or call **(306) 384-7727** to purchase by phone from Persephone Theatre's Box Office.

This season we're offering tickets at a range of prices, with general seating. If cost is a barrier, choose a \$15 accessible ticket. If you're able to contribute more, thank you for choosing to support our work so we can keep tickets affordable for everyone!

**Reduced Seating Capacity Performances – Saturday Matinees February 4 & 11: Seating capacity reduced to 50%, offered with immuno-compromised audience members in mind, as well as those who do not yet feel comfortable in a full theatre.

A REMINDER OF EVENTS FEATURED IN PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS



February 11, 1-3PM at the rink (behind Willowgrove/Holy Family Schools)

Skating, sledding, sleigh rides, and other fun winter stuff!

Hot chocolate and coffee provided

Willowgrove university Heights community Association is planning a great winter event for everyone to enjoy. Thank you to the volunteers for planning such a fun day for families.





Bring the family out to Pink Cadillac's on 8th Street for an evening of burgers and fun, all for a great cause!



Wildlife Festival at Prairieland Park January 27 - 29

ADDITIONAL GOVERNMENT NEWS RELEASES



Governments of Canada and Saskatchewan Invest \$6 Million in Livestock and Forage Research | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

<u>SIRT Investigates Officer Involved Shooting in Prince Albert | News and Media |</u>
<u>Government of Saskatchewan</u>

<u>Crown Land Grazing Rates Adjusted for 2023 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan</u>

<u>Cutting Red Tape for Food Trade in Lloydminster | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan</u>

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