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National Project of a Traveling and Virtual Exhibition for Canada's 150th Anniversary

Ottawa, October 13, 2016 – In 2017, the National Federation of French-Language School Boards thanks to the financial support of the Canada 150 Fund, will put together a travelling exhibition. This exhibition will be presented in several Canadian cities and also on the web in order to promote the historical side and specificity, vitality and added value of French-language schools.

«Through a French education perspective, this exhibition will help Canadians acquire a better understanding of the past and present contributions of French communities in minority context into building Canada», stated the National Federation of French-language School Boards' president, Mrs. Melinda Chartrand.

The traveling exhibit and its virtual component will be bilingual, interactive and will be presented in the following cities: Whitehorse, Vancouver, Winnipeg, Sudbury, Toronto, Halifax and St. John's.

The exhibition will also be featured in the three cities hosting the National Education Summit which will take place the first week of May 2017 in Edmonton, Ottawa, and Moncton.

Teaching guides designed for school and community organizations should enhance the online and in presence experience of participants.

"We are grateful for the financial support of the Canada150 program for this project" said Mr. Roger Paul, executive officer of the Federation.

The public unveiling of the virtual part of the exhibition will be held February 3, 2017 while the tour will take place from February to May, 2017.

The results and electronic legacy of this project are part of the efforts by the Federation and its partners to promote the specificity, vitality and added value of French language Education.



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Founded in 1990, the Fédération nationale des conseils scolaires francophones (FNCSF) represents the French-language school boards in Canada outside the province of Quebec. It comprises 28 school boards located in nine provinces and three territories. These French-language school boards are composed of some 630 elementary and secondary schools that collectively serve some 160,000 students.

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