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NOMINATIONS OPEN MONDAY OCTOBER 15 FOR THE YUKON FRANCOPHONE SCHOOL BOARD BY-ELECTION

Elections Yukon will administer the by-election to fill one trustee vacancy on the Yukon Francophone School Board (CSFY). Nominations open Monday, October 15, 2018. The Close of Nomination is Thursday, October 25 at noon.

SCHOOL	COMMUNITY	VACANCIES
École Émilie Tremblay	Whitehorse	1

School Board Role: Trustees of the school board establish policies for the administration, management and operation of their schools. They provide educational programs for their students as required by the *Education Act*. They assist with the development and implementation of the CSFY's strategic plan and ensure that the CSFY manages its resources efficiently.

Pursuant to the powers and responsibilities arising from legislation and regulations, the trustees ensure that they develop, maintain and implement policies that meet the needs of the CSFY and its schools.

Candidate Nomination Period: Monday, October 15 – Thursday, October 25. Nomination forms, additional information, and returning officer contact numbers for candidates will be available for pick up at the school or the Yukon Francophone School Board office commencing Monday, October 15. Nominations must be submitted by noon on Thursday, October 25.

Polling Day: A vote will be required if the number of candidates exceed the number of vacancies. If a vote is required, it will be held on Monday, November 5 from 3 pm to 8 pm at the school.

Electors and Candidates: To be a candidate or vote in the Yukon Francophone School Board election, you must: have lived in the education area for at least three months (before August 5, 2018), or be a parent of a child attending the school. You must also be a Canadian citizen, at least 18 years old and have French Language Rights under Section 23 of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.

Quote: Max Harvey, Chief Electoral Officer, Elections Yukon:

"Trustees of the Yukon Francophone School Board have the important responsibility to lead and to govern the French language education system throughout the territory. They strengthen and advance French language education. The Elections Yukon mandate is to ensure the processes are in place for the by-election and to provide for the right to vote and to be a candidate. "

Contact:

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