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NOVA SCOTIA TEACHERS UNION

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Celebrate World Teachers' Day and nominate a teacher who has made a difference

The Nova Scotia Teachers Union's *Teachers Make a Difference* recognition program is launching this year on World Teachers' Day, October 5. From October 5 through to November 2, students and parents in Nova Scotia can recognize a teacher who has made an impact by positively influencing their lives.

"Teachers go above and beyond inside and outside the classroom to ensure student success," says NSTU president Shelley Morse. "Their professionalism, experience and expertise not only develop minds and skills, but also nurture hearts, hopes and dreams, and we want to continue to offer Nova Scotians a way to recognize their value and positive influence."

The program encourages students and/or their parents to nominate a public school teacher, APSEA or Community College member who has made a big difference in their lives, and contributed to their school, campus and community, by visiting nstu.ca and clicking on the *Teachers Make a Difference* banner or going to teachersmakeadifference.ca and filling out the contest form. Up to 10 NSTU members will be chosen for their contributions to the lives of their students, school, campuses and communities. For each recognized teacher, a donation of \$300 will be made towards the home school/campus breakfast program or library materials.

"Despite the many challenges our teachers and Community College members face, they strive to do what is best for their students because they care about them and quality public education," concludes Morse.

For more information, please visit <u>www.nstu.ca</u> and click on the *Teachers Make a Difference* button or banner, which will bring you to the official contest page or visit teachersmakeadifference.ca. The contest closes November 2, 2015 at 11:59 p.m.

The Nova Scotia Teachers Union represents more than 10,000 public school teachers, Community College faculty and professional support staff and teachers who work for the Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority. Since 1895, it has worked to improve the quality of public education in Nova Scotia.