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Countdown is on to nominate a teacher who has made a difference

There's only one week left for students in Nova Scotia to recognize a teacher who has made an impact on their lives, through the Nova Scotia Teachers Union's *Teachers Make a Difference* recognition program.

"Teachers continue to go above and beyond inside and outside the classroom to make sure our students are successful," says NSTU president Shelley Morse. "They develop minds and skills, and nurture hearts, hopes and dreams. We encourage Nova Scotians to recognize the positive contribution teachers make to our classrooms, schools and communities."

The program encourages students and/or their parents to nominate a teacher or Community College member who has made a big difference in their lives, and contributed to their school, campus and community, by visiting www.nstu.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 or library program.

"Despite the many challenges our teachers and Community College members face they strive to do what is best in each situation every day because they care about their students and public education," concludes Morse.

To date, the NSTU has received over 220 nominations for the campaign. For more information, please visit www.nstu.ca 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 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.