



# LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AWARD:

## READY TO WRITE! PRÊT À ÉCRIRE!

### 2015

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#### The Lieutenant Governor's Award: *Ready to Write! Prêt à écrire!*

in partnership with  
**Canadian Parents for French - Nova Scotia**  
was initiated in 2005.

His Honour Brigadier-General, the Honourable J. J. Grant, CMM, ONS, CD (Ret'd) Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia is dedicated to encouraging and recognizing the success of all young Nova Scotians. The Lieutenant Governor's Award: *Ready to Write! Prêt à écrire!* celebrates the ability of young Anglophone Nova Scotians to communicate in French as their second language.



#### CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF CANADA'S NATIONAL FLAG 1965-2015

On February 15, 2015, Canadians celebrated the 50th anniversary of the National Flag of Canada. The National Flag of Canada, also known as the Maple Leaf and l'Unifolié (French for "the one-leafed"), was adopted in 1965 to replace the Canadian Red Ensign. It is the first ever flag to be designated as the country's national flag.

#### The theme for 2015 is:

*The Maple Leaf flag was chosen after one of the longest divisive parliamentary debates in Canadian history. In what ways does the flag represent Canada at home and around the world? Why are symbols important in honouring our history?*

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## PURPOSE

The purpose of the program is to fuel the interest of students toward learning French as a second language and to encourage these students to use their French skills.

The program reinforces the value of French second language education and provides students with confidence and increased motivation to continue learning the language. Each year, a participant's submission will be selected to promote the use of both official languages and to exemplify the outstanding work accomplished daily by students in schools across the province.

## ELIGIBILITY

The students must be currently enrolled in a French second language program in **grades 10, 11 or 12** in the province of Nova Scotia.

## GUIDELINES

One essay per participant will be accepted and must be accompanied by a completed registration form. The essays must relate to the theme of the contest and be written entirely in French.

Participants must not identify themselves by name, school, community or school board in the essay. All submissions must be between 500 and 750 words and must be the original and independent work of the student. All entries must be double-spaced and typed.

The student should follow the writing process of revising and editing the document. Plagiarism will not be tolerated. **Any reference materials must be properly footnoted and cited.**

## SELECTION PROCESS

The submissions will be judged by a committee comprised of representatives of **Canadian Parents for French - Nova Scotia, Université Sainte-Anne** and other partner organizations or groups related to theme of the competition. Each submission will be judged based on content, organization of ideas, creativity, originality, style and written language proficiency.

## PRESENTATION

The recipient will be honoured at an Award Recognition Ceremony to be held at an appropriate venue, a **Canadian Parents for French - Nova Scotia** event or a suitable function in the recipient's area before the end of the school year. The recipient will also receive a \$500 bursary from Canadian Parents for French, Nova Scotia.

## SPONSORSHIP

**The Lieutenant Governor's Award: Ready to Write! Prêt à écrire!** in partnership with **Canadian Parents for French - Nova Scotia** is supported by **Université Sainte-Anne**. **Université Sainte-Anne** has a long-standing relationship with Canadian Parents for French and a history of supporting French education initiatives in Nova Scotia.

# REGISTRATION FORM

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ French Program: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Board: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the enclosed essay is my own original and individual work, written in French, and that I am enrolled in a French second language program this academic year. Furthermore, I attest that I am enrolled in grade 10, 11, or 12, as stated above.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

French Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, agree that my child's name, likeness and/or submission may be used by **Canadian Parents for French** or **Université Sainte-Anne** in promotional activities. I attest to the fact that this submission is the original and individual work of my child.

Parent / Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline extended: Friday, June 12, 2015**

Essays and registration forms must be received no later than 4:30 pm.

**Mail to:** Lieutenant Governor's Award  
*Ready to Write! Prêt à écrire!*  
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