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To: Teachers, Administrators, Students and Parents/Caregivers,

It is time to once again time to recognize educators in Newfoundland and Labrador who have gone above and beyond to support students, foster positive outcomes, and promote the wellbeing of their school community. Premier Furey and I recognize the important contribution teachers make each day, and we want to continue to celebrate the teachers who are excelling in their roles, in their schools, and in the education system.

The Premier's Award for Teaching Innovation honours outstanding teachers in all disciplines who have demonstrated innovation in instruction and a commitment to preparing their students for future success.

The Minister's Award for Compassion in Teaching recognizes inspirational teachers who have gone above and beyond to support the social, emotional and mental health of their students, colleagues or school community as a whole.

Every day our government receives stories of innovation and compassion in K-12 schools. Whether it was a personal anecdote about the positive impact a teacher had on an individual, or stories of school-wide work for diversity, equity, and inclusion, it is clear that there are teachers throughout this province who are going above and beyond to support the social, emotional and mental health of students, colleagues, and the school community.

This government is proud to have a workforce of teachers who continue to make a positive impact in the lives of Newfoundlanders and Labradorians. The successes of our school system and the creation of a bright future for our province cannot happen without them.

I encourage teachers and their colleagues, administrators, students, and parents/caregivers to nominate a deserving teacher. The deadline for submission is April 19, 2024. Information about the awards and the guidelines are available at www.gov.nl.ca/education/teaching-awards.

Sincerely,

HON. KRISTA LYNN HOWELL, MHA
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Minister