

**The Manitoba Teachers' Society Classroom  
at  
The Canadian Museum for Human Rights**

**The CMHR:**

- ✓ Is the first national museum constructed in Canada since 1967, as well as the first national museum ever to be located outside the National Capital Region;
- ✓ Will have three flexible classrooms with a capacity for 30 in each or 90 altogether. (The naming right that MTS is considering is for the entire block of classrooms). These state-of-the-art classrooms will serve many purposes ranging from a quiet space in which to conduct hands-on multi-sensory activities that complement tours, to discussions with other schools in Canada via videoconference, summer day camps, teacher's workshops and much more;
- ✓ Is expecting that on-site programs will attract tens of thousands of students each year mainly from the local area: Manitoba, Northwestern Ontario, Saskatchewan and the northern USA;
- ✓ Is committed to reach out to rural, remote and urban areas throughout Canada with Edu-kits, Resource Kits, presentations and awards programs in teaching human rights;
- ✓ Is projecting on-site visitors, just from schools, to reach 30-40,000 in the museum's first full 12 months of operation. Beyond schools, the CMHR also projects that conferences, events and training will be held in these classrooms;
- ✓ Will be a leader in human rights education by providing education programs that offer compelling and memorable learning experiences to meet the needs and expectations of students and educators;
- ✓ Will provide opportunities for students and educators to engage in accessible, inclusive curriculum-based programs and resources in both Official Languages that promote reflection and dialogue on human rights;
- ✓ Will provide age-appropriate programming and activities for Kindergarten to Grade 12 in English and French; all of which will be based on the Manitoba and other curricula in Canada;
- ✓ Will offer a variety of learning streams such as Human Rights, Indigenous Rights, Citizenship, Leadership, and Teacher's Institutes;
- ✓ Will offer an in-depth study program for high-school and post-secondary students on human rights through its National Student Program (which will be the signature program and the only one like it in Canada);

## **So what does this all mean for the Manitoba Teachers' Society?**

The first question is whether or not the Society should purchase the naming rights for the classrooms at the CMHR. The second question is how should we pay for it?

Below is a proposal for your consideration:

<b>Canadian Museum for Human Rights</b>	\$1,500,000
<b>Classroom Naming Rights</b>	
*FTE's	13180
Transfer from Operations Stabilization Fund	\$300,000
Overall cost per member	\$91.05
Cost per member per month for 5 years	\$1.52

\* FTE's as estimated for the 2012-13 MTS Budget

Both the President and Vice-President of the Society would be pleased to come and speak with individual teachers' associations further about this initiative.

Local presidents are asked to provide feedback to the President and Vice-President of the Society in order for the provincial executive to determine whether to bring such a motion to AGM for consideration.