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**WORLD TEACHERS' DAY 2019**

St. John's, NL... World Teachers' Day is Saturday, October 5 and this year's theme is *I Teach for a Better World*, and was selected by the Canadian Teachers' Federation (CTF) to highlight the importance and unwavering commitment of teachers both in and outside of the classroom.

"This year on World Teachers' Day we want to shine a spotlight on the power our profession holds and again recognize that teachers are the core of public education," says Dean Ingram, President of the Newfoundland and Labrador Teachers' Association. "Teachers worldwide are responsible for preparing children and youth for the future and World Teachers' Day highlights the great work of all teachers. Teachers do change lives every day."

Teachers in Newfoundland and Labrador will join millions of their colleagues around the globe marking World Teachers' Day. In 1994 the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) designated October 5 World Teachers' Day at the 44th Session of the International Conference on Education in Geneva. The date coincides with the anniversary of the adoption in 1966 of the Recommendations concerning the Status of Teachers. In adopting the UNESCO recommendation, governments around the world unanimously recognized the need and importance for society to have competent, qualified and motivated teachers.

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