SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

David Murphy

This award is presented to individuals who have given meritorious service to education and/or the teaching profession at the provincial/territorial, national or international level.

Nominated by the Northwest Territories Teachers' Association (NWTTA)



David Murphy's unwavering commitment to education and profound impact within the Northwest Territories Teachers' Association (NWTTA) spans over three decades. He began teaching at Yellowknife Catholic Schools in 1988. Since then, David has been deeply involved with the NWTTA, holding many positions within the Association at both a regional and territorial level, including President from 2000 to 2004. He was proud to serve on the CTF/FCE Board of Directors during his time as both NWTTA President and NWTTA Executive Director. Throughout his career, David has exemplified outstanding leadership, dedication, and selflessness, representing the Association at various levels and bodies. His deep-rooted passion for improving the lives and working

conditions of educators is exemplified in his advocacy for the members' best interests and in his approach to collective bargaining. David has had a profound influence in maintaining positive relationships with employers and stakeholders. His extensive experience and genuine desire to support the membership led him to assume the role of NWTTA Assistant Executive Director in 2017. Subsequently, in 2018, he seamlessly transitioned into the role of NWTTA Executive Director. Territorially, David's outstanding contributions have been recognized with the prestigious NWTTA Cliff King Award in 2006. His retirement in June 2024 marked the end of an era, but David's legacy of compassion, expertise, and tireless advocacy for educators will continue to resonate within the NWTTA and beyond.