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## **Education Week celebrations taking place across Yukon**

WHITEHORSE—The importance of continued innovation in how we teach and learn will be highlighted as the territory celebrates Education Week from April 16 to 20.

“Education Week is a time to create awareness and to recognize the hard work, achievements and successes of everyone involved in education throughout Yukon,” Education Minister Scott Kent said. “This year’s theme is *Celebrating Innovation*, which looks at not only the advancement of technology and its effect on learning in the classroom, but also at teaching practices and techniques, and how learning happens best when students are encouraged to explore and ask questions.”

The annual week-long event aims to raise awareness about the importance of lifelong learning as well as the educational opportunities available to Yukoners. It features events across the territory hosted by many organizations including schools, Yukon College, First Nations and non-government organizations.

Over the course of the week there will be over 40 events including a classroom technology demonstration at Christ the King Elementary School, a traditional lunch in Mayo sponsored by Na-Cho Nyäk Dun First Nation, free computer courses for seniors at Yukon College and a bilingual story time session at the Association Franco-Yukonnaise.

To celebrate the week, the Department of Education will once again host an open house on Thursday April 19 from 4 to 6 p.m. at 1000 Lewes Blvd. The open house will feature an interactive model classroom for young inventors, a juggling workshop, puzzles and prizes.

For more information and an extensive list of Education Week activities, visit [education.gov.yk.ca](http://education.gov.yk.ca) or check the April 13 newspapers. People interested in specific activities and events are encouraged to contact organizations directly for information.

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