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SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

Michelle Jean-Paul

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 Manitoba Teachers' Society (MTS)



Michelle Jean-Paul is a public school and French immersion educator in her 14th year as a school leader. As founder of the Educators of Colour Network, she has conducted workshops across Canada and the United States. Her doctoral research at the University of Manitoba focuses on equity issues in educational administration.

Michelle's current role is Divisional Principal of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Anti-Racism Services in the Louis Riel School Division in Winnipeg. She has been actively involved with the Éducatrices et Éducateurs Francophones du Manitoba, the MTS Women in Educational Leadership Annual Symposium, and the

Council of School Leaders. Michelle has taken a leadership role within MTS, facilitating workshops and hosting affinity circles. She was also a part of Project Overseas with the CTF/FCE which led to some consultative conversations on the selection and interview process, subsequently sitting on the interview panel for Manitoba.

Michelle is passionate about anti-racist and anti-oppressive education, the mental health needs of individuals from racialized and minoritized communities, the inclusion of stories of Black and other marginalized people in the school curriculum, and the need for more visible minority teachers. She is a role model for colleagues and students who strive to improve their classrooms, schools, and communities through change.