



## CANADIAN MUSEUM FOR HUMAN RIGHTS HOST SITE: C21 CANADA CEO ACADEMY LEADERSHIP SUMMIT FOR TRUTH, EQUITY AND RECONCILIATION MAY 18-19

-Accelerating the urgency, recognizing the opportunity-

**Winnipeg, Manitoba: Tuesday, May 17, 2022** - <u>C21 Canada</u> is honoured to host the CEO Academy leadership summit in Winnipeg, May 18-19th, 2022 to connect, reflect and continue the national conversation on Reconciliation in Canadian Education in Treaty One, Homeland of the Red River Metis.

C21 Canada is set to welcome CEO Academy leaders, C21 Canada Board of Advisors, Collaborating Partners and special guests. The <u>CEO Academy</u> is a learning and collaboration network of Directors of Education and CEO/Superintendents of Schools from across Canada, sharing a passion for 21st century innovation, system capacity and coherence in K to 12 Canadian education.

"Those of us that enjoy the privilege of a formal leadership title have an obligation to see ourselves as lead learners in our community," said Christian Michalik, Superintendent of the Louis Riel School Division and Summit Co-Host.

The summit will be hosted in the Canadian Museum for Human Rights and the Forks National Historic Park to provide the key foundations for learning and reflection, while Qaumajuq at the Winnipeg Art Gallery shines a light on innovation and hope inspired by visible northern voices - signifying the role of the arts in identity, relationships and as pedagogy.

"We are proud to showcase landmark venues and first-hand site visits to future-ready partner innovations that inspire hope and resilience, deliver relevant outcomes and create nuanced pathways for reconciliation. We are excited to share the ways that our schools and community work together and how the World's Most Intelligent Community honour has been earned," said Pauline Clarke, Chief Superintendent of the Winnipeg School Division and Summit Co-Host

Professional inquiry is driven by wellbeing for living and learning, equity and inclusion, and reconciliation with leading insights featured in our recent publication: School beyond COVID-19: Accelerating the changes that matter for K to 12 Learners in Canada.

The learning covenant and points of reference for this years summit:

- All Canadian children and youth deserve to know Canada's honest history, and the rich history of Indigenous nations that defines our collective identity as a country.
- For Canadians from all walks of life, the path to reconciliation offers a new way of living together that honours the past, present and future.





Participants in the summit, and CEO learners will:

- Fortify courageous and principled leadership networks of role models, mentors and allies to spread influence and advocacy,
- Create pathways for stories and high quality data and inquiry to challenge statistics and assumptions,
- Engage innovative partnerships that pursue diversity and difference as opportunities for equity and inclusion.

"Preparing the agenda for this summit has been an enriching experience in and of itself. Our host School Superintendents, Pauline Clarke from Winnipeg School Division and Chris Michalik from Louis Riel Division have put heart and soul in a nuanced experience that is authentic and respectful to honour the Indigenous leadership in their local communities. District Indigenous Education leads and community elders and knowledge keepers have guided the process from start to finish in preparing for the summit journey," says Karen Yamada, C21 Canada Learning and Innovation Lead.

The C21 Canada leadership summit begins Wednesday May 18th at 8:45am, <u>click here to</u> access the full schedule.

## **About C21 Canada**

C21 Canada is a national, not for profit organization that advocates for 21st Century models of learning in education. Their belief is that 21st century models of learning must be adopted in public education on an urgent basis to position Canadians for economic, social and personal success in the high skills, knowledge and innovation based economy.

## **About C21 CEO Academy**

The CEO Academy is a Pan-Canadian professional network of school system superintendents (chief executive officers of their district) committed to setting Canadian standards for 21st century learning, innovation and technology in the education system. Members share a focus on creating cultures of innovation and transformation, and a moral imperative to develop global competencies that students need for their future. This facilitated network is a model of collaborative inquiry on innovation and system scaling.

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