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Teachers of:
Grade 9 Social Studies
Social Studies 10, 20 & 30
Law 30
History 10, 20 & 30

FAIR: A Four Letter Word You Can Use

Do your students know how an ombudsman protects fairness? Within the curriculum for the above courses, there are learning objectives for which ombudsman work can be an appropriate topic of study.

This year is an especially exciting one because it marks the 200th anniversary of the appointment of the first parliamentary ombudsman in Sweden. Ombudsman Saskatchewan would like to celebrate by inviting you and your students to dive into the ombudsman world and enter our contest. There are prizes for the winning student, his or her school library, and the library of the school with the highest ratio of participation.

Students can write an essay, produce a video, conduct an interview, create a comic book – whatever provides a good combination of research and creativity. The submission deadline is October 5 and the winners will be announced during Fairness Week, October 12-16.

Attached are details about the contest and suggested topics that tie in with the curriculum for each area of study. We invite you to read on and consider discussing ombudsman work with your class this year.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 1-800-667-7180 or 787-6211 in Regina.

Sincerely,



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