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Editorial

That The First Shall Not Be The Last

Paideusis is produced by the Canadian Philosophy of Education Society in the belief that philosophy of education has reached a level of maturity in this country sufficient to justify a journal devoted to the subject. Its purpose is to stimulate a conspicuous Canadian presence in the field and to facilitate scholarly communication among those seriously interested in philosophy of education. While the journal's focus is philosophical, it will not function as a closed shop in which only those who are "certified" philosophers of education can work. Indeed, we hope that the journal will be read and contributed to by those who, although not formally philosophers of education, are nonetheless drawn to

philosophical problems by virtue of their work in areas such as curriculum, psychology, law, and sociology. The current issue reflects this hope. In addition to Barrow's conceptualization of conceptual finesse, it contains a piece by Coombs which should interest those concerned with legal education and another by Bogdan which embraces such areas as literary theory, aesthetics, and problems connected with the teaching of literature.

It is a self-evident truth that hope, while clearly a virtue, cannot by itself produce a journal. But there is another virtue that makes survival possible even in these economically hard pressed times. It is the generosity of the institutions listed below that will ensure that this, the first issue of *Paideusis*, not to be the last.

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