HONOURING TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION RESOURCES

Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action https://ehprnh2mwo3.exactdn.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Calls to Action English2.pdf

National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation Reports

https://nctr.ca/records/reports/#nctr-reports

United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People document https://www.un.org/development/desa/indigenouspeoples/declaration-on-the-rights-of-indigenous-peoples.html

The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (University of Manitoba) is hosting a Truth and Reconciliation Week event for the General Public. Click HERE for the schedule of events which begin on Monday, September 27th.

Kootenay Boundary Environmental Education: In advance of Orange Shirt Day and Canada's new National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on Sept 30, KBEE has compiled a list of 15 actions recommended by Indigenous advisors and partners as a way to deepen understanding and undertake meaningful action. They have developed <u>an image for each day</u> from Sept 15-30 and you can find the full list

here: https://outdoorlearningstore.ca/indigenous-learning-resources/

- 1. On September 23 KBEE is hosting Indigenous Advisor Faye O'Neil for a free virtual workshop on Indigenous Resources & Perspectives for Outdoor Learning
- 2. In partnership with GreenLearning Canada and Wildsight, they have just added 2 new Indigenous learning resources for elementary students: Sila and the Land and The Heart of a River
- 3. In partnership with Strong Nations, they have just added a new Indigenous learning resource for **secondary students** <u>Groundswell: Indigenous Knowledge and a Call to Action for Climate Change</u>
- 4. In partnership with Strong Nations, they are offering the <u>Strong Stories Bundle</u> which is a <u>collection of 48 books</u> which share Indigenous stories and knowledge from across Canada
- 5. They are now offering new <u>Every Child Matters school flags</u> and <u>lanyards</u> it is suggested to order these by **Sept 15** in order to receive them by Sept 30

Vancouver Island University Blog: The Office of Indigenous Education and Engagement has collected some resources to help you mark this day; to build awareness, understanding and support. https://www.viu.ca/blog/marking-national-day-truth-and-reconciliation

Sharing the Message of Truth and Reconciliation: In response to the Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's report in 2015, Scholastic Canada partnered with Indigenous educators including 10 key advisors to create *Take Action for Reconciliation* for grades 3–8. The document can be found via the following link: https://www.scholastic.ca/truthandreconciliation/TruthandReconciliationDiscussionGuidengesignature

WSÁNEĆ Leadership Council: Settlers who are interested in allyship with WSÁNEĆ people will find the resources on the following link a great place to support the journey to reconciliation: https://wsanec.com/learn-settlers/

Discovery Education *Equity Talks* **Canada:** Join district leaders for the Discovery Education *Equity Talks* webinar for Canadian educators on **Thursday, September 30.** In observance of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, tune in for this important and timely conversation around issues of equity in education and reconciliation. Moderated by Dr. Kevin Godden, Superintendent of Abbotsford School District in BC, this webinar provides guidance and support to educators everywhere who strive to bring equity and excellence to their schools and districts.

Featured speakers are:



Denise Augustine, Director of Indigenous Education, Cowichan Valley SD79, BC:

and



Camille Williams-Taylor, Director of Education, Ottawa- Carlton District School Board, ON

register now to attend.

World Premier Exhibit - Winds of Change - Featuring works by Daniel R. Elliott, Stz'uminus First Nation watercolour artist and descendant of residential school survivors.

https://news.viu.ca/vius-malaspina-theatre-hosts-winds-change-art-exhibit

October 1, 4-8 and 11-13, from 1-4 pm; Malaspina Theatre Lobby (Building 310) VIU's Nanaimo Campus

Winds of Change features paintings depicting Indigenous peoples pre-contact, the effects of colonization and how the artist envisions people moving forward in a good way. The artist will be available to talk about his work and answer questions. If you wish to book a group tour, please contact indigenous@viu.ca.

The Whole Truth About Residential Schools: Then and Now - Beginning Sept. 15, 2021, Nelson will host a new, free webinar series entitled "The Whole Truth About Residential Schools: Then and Now." The series will provide a comprehensive overview of the Residential School System and the intergenerational impacts and actions resulting from the Indian Residential School Settlement agreement. Participants will learn of practical strategies and recommended resources to help support student learning about residential schools and tips on navigating these crucial K-12 classroom discussions. With the recent findings of unmarked graves of children who attended residential schools, this series is recommended for educators and students to learn more about the truth of these schools. Register through Nelson's website today!

Resources from the Government of BC

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/government/ministries-organizations/ministries/indigenous-relations-reconciliation/declaration_act_action_plan_for_consultation.pdf

https://engage.gov.bc.ca/declaration Link to the Consultation Draft Action Plan for implementing the declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act that Assistant Deputy Minister Jennifer McCrea referenced in her presentation on Aug. 20.