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Review of systemic racism within the Yukon education system

Considering the recent announcement by the Child and Youth Advocate and the First Nation Education Directorate regarding their review of systemic racism within the Yukon education system, we want to take a moment to reaffirm the Department of Education's support for this initiative.

While this review is led by external parties, it represents a crucial step towards understanding and addressing the systemic challenges within our schools. We recognize the importance of this work and are committed to supporting its objectives and findings.

We encourage all educators to approach this review with openness and to consider how we can collectively support positive changes in our schools. This is an opportunity for growth and learning, not just for our students but for all of us within the education system.

The department values the dedication and hard work of our educators and staff. We understand that addressing systemic issues requires a collective effort and we are confident in our ability to work together towards a more inclusive and equitable education system.

We recognize that people may find this review difficult. All employees and members of their immediate family can access the free, confidential support of a trained counsellor 24/7 through the Yukon government's Employee and Family Assistance Program by calling 844-880-9142 or visiting the Telus Health online platform.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to our students and for your support during this important review.

Kids on the Farm: streamlined field trip procedures

The Department of Education has reclassified Kids on the Farm field trips from "complex" to "simple", making it easier for your students to engage with and learn from our local farming communities. This change is designed to encourage more frequent visits by reducing your administrative workload. Please see the attached letter for more information.

YGLearn is now open to educators

All educators are invited to explore the available courses over the next weeks and months. For guidance on how to log in, navigate the platform, and enroll in courses, please refer to the [step-by-step guide](#). Consult your administrator if you are interested in signing up for a course.

Please see the attached YG Learn Educator Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document. If you have a question that's not answered there, please talk to your administrator.

Kindergarten assessments

KINDERGARTEN ASSESSMENTS – April 15 to May 17, 2024

BOEHM – the Boehm materials have been sent to schools. It is to be administered to all K5 students. The results from the BOEHM are to be entered into Aspen by May 30.

EYE – The EYE is administered to K5 students who scored red or yellow in the fall and require further assessment, as well as any new students who were not assessed in the fall. Please keep in mind that all domains need to be reassessed. Teachers will receive an email from the Learning Bar with further information.

SUB TIME for data entry will be provided as follows:

Classes of 15 and over – 1 day

Classes of 6-14 – half day

Classes of 5 and under – no sub time

Please book your sub well in advance to avoid possible data glitches on the last day.

The sub code is 031-200213-0121-1691

Please contact Ann.Larnder@Yukon.ca if you have any questions or need more materials.

Grad assessments

Please see the attached two memos for the June 2024 Graduation Assessments Administration Sessions, running from June 3 to 14.

For any students who have not yet completed the graduation requirement of completing graduation assessments in grades 10 and 12, there is one more administration session possible for SY23/24.

If your school is dismissed for summer prior to the set administration session, and you have students who need to complete Graduation Assessment(s) to graduate this school year, please email emily.sheppard@yukon.ca immediately to set up an alternative session.

To ensure a smooth writing session for the upcoming Grade 10 and Grade 12 Literacy and Numeracy Assessments, there are items, detailed in the attached memos, required to be completed before, during and after the assessments.

Dome video

Thank you, educators, for your support in the DOME project. Please see the [video that was developed about students' experiences](#).

Quick Links

- [School health and safety during COVID-19](#)
- [Mental health and wellness support](#)
- [Yukon Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education Recovery Plan](#)
- [Yukon information on COVID-19](#)
- [Canada response and Health Canada information](#)
- [Council of Yukon First Nations COVID-19 info hub](#)