Educator Update





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Yukon First Nations

National Indigenous Veterans day

Tuesday, November 8th is National Indigenous Veterans Day, a day of remembrance and commemoration of the contributions of Indigenous veterans in the First and Second World Wars, as well as the Korean War. This Indigenous Veterans Day, join us in expressing our gratitude for the contributions Indigenous veterans have made to Canada and the world. You can find more information, including stories, photos and videos on these websites:

Right to Play - Honouring Indigenous Veterans Day

<u>Indigenous Veterans – Veterans Affairs Canada</u>

Aboriginal Veterans Tribute List

The Canadian Encyclopedia: Indigenous People and the World Wars

Aboriginal War Heroes – More Than a Few Good Men (Bob Joseph)

Remembering & Honouring Indigenous War Heroes: World War 1 & 2

Aboriginal Veterans Autochtones

Short films by Indigenous artists in Canada to spark conversations

<u>REEL CANADA</u> is reaching out to Grade 6 to 8 teachers who would like to participate in an upcoming RCtv Indigenous Realities Livestream. This event is free of charge.

This national webcast will showcase five thought-provoking short films by Indigenous artists in Canada, and a discussion of Indigenous realities, Canada's Indian residential school system, and what reconciliation means.

Complete with lesson plans and teacher resources, the livestream will feature an insightful conversation with an award-winning filmmaker, and questions from students across the country.

The event is dynamic and interactive, allowing for engagement through our online platform in live polls, Q&A, chat, discussion boards, and more.

It's suitable for both in-class or remote learning, and even if the live date (Wed. Nov. 30 at 12:00pm EST) doesn't work for your schedules, you can still watch an interactive recording afterwards. There will also be a French-subtitled version of the recording available after the live event.

This programme <u>flyer</u> has more details, including the timing, the films, and how it all works.

If you have any questions, would like more information, or want to preview the films, please don't hesitate to email, or to call call 1-888-508-0881, ext. 221

Note that a similar livestream will be offered for high school students on April 19, 2023.

Remembrance Day

November 11th is a day to remember veterans who have fought for Canada's freedom. The Government of Canada features <u>resources to support children</u> in remembering those who gave up their lives to serve our Country. Learn about some of Canada's verterans who sacrified for our freedoms.

Teacher One-to-One Device Cost Sharing Program open until Nov 25

Intake (Wave 15) for the Teacher One-to-One Device Cost Sharing Program is now open.

Please be advised this program is available to teachers and school principals with a minimum of a one-year contract. The program is intended to help teachers and school principals cost-share devices for their use; it is not intended to purchase devices for teachers' family members.

Sign-up for Wave 15 is open until Nov. 25, 2022 at 5:00pm

If you're interested:

- 1. read the FAQ for the One-to-One Program in kb.yesnet.yk.ca/teacher-one-to-one-cost-share/
- 2. express your interest: sign-up via the kb.yesnet.yk.ca/1to1-signup/
- 3. read the Program Policy (this will be emailed to you when you express interest)
- 4. sign the Payroll Deduction & Program Agreement Form (this will be emailed to you when you express interest) and fax (867)393-6254, or scan & email edu1to1@gov.yk.ca by Nov. 25, 2022 at 5:00pm

Education One-to-One Team (edu1to1@gov.yk.ca)

Support provided in Physical Literacy

Last year the Sport and Recreation Branch entered into an memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Department of Education to create a partnership to improve the physical literacy and increase the physical activity of Yukon children and youth. This was a pilot project that provided both departments the opportunity to collaborate and work together to address many of the physical inactivity challenges facing Yukon children

and youth today. The project was a success and as a result, Janna Tait (who led the project last year) will continue on as the Physical Literacy Education Coordinator for Yukon Schools until March 31, 2024.

Janna is eager to start working once again with Yukon schools to continue to provide support and training to teachers throughout the Yukon in regards to physical literacy and delivery of the BC PHE curriculum. If you're interested in learning more about the background on the project or discuss any priorities you may have for the upcoming year, please let Janna know and she would be happy to meet.

You can contact Janna Tait at Janna. Tait@Yukon.ca.

Professional Learning Opportunities

Developing creative learning environments

Are you a Yukon educator who has developed creative learning environments that foster deep, engaging, equitable and inclusive learning experiences among your students?

If yes, would you be interested in sharing your experiences, insights, and expertise through an interview and collaborative focus group (with other like-minded educators) with M.Ed in Educational Leadership researcher, Lizz Churchill? The researcher's goal is to identify key themes that should be included in a framework that might support other teachers in developing creative learning environments that support deep learning. Please contact Lizz Churchill at Elizabeth.Churchill@yesnet.yk.ca

IDÉLLO: Introduction for K-7 French Immersion Teachers

<u>IDÉLLO</u> includes over 15,000 French language educational materials: videos, games, websites, applications, and teaching tools. It is provided free to K-7 French Immersion program teachers in school districts, and district French Immersion contacts. Join Barbara Franchi Johnson, IDÉLLO facilitator, for an overview of the resource, and learn how to set up your teacher account.

IDÉLLO Webinar

Thursday November 10, 2022 | 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Pacific Time

Register Now!

Resources for Educators

Mental Health Supports for Staff - Employee and Family Assistance Program (EFAP)

Please take the time to familiarise yourself with the services available through YG's EFAP program. The below link includes FAQ's, how to book appointments and what is covered with your benefits.



Counselling

Work with Master's level counsellors from the Yukon and across Canada for your short term, confidential and solution focused goals, virtually or in person, 24/7.

WorkLife Services

Work with a subject matter expert to meet work/health/life goals in areas such as nutrition and health, legal or finance issues questions, and workplace challenges.

Managers Consultations

Supervisory staff can request expert consultations to prepare for difficult conversations, with concerns about mental health issues or behavior, or cross-cultural communications.

Critical Incident Response Services

Managers, supervisors or HR Consultants can request specialized professional support after a workplace crisis or traumatic event through virtual or in person services.

Further Information is available at: yukonnect.gov.yk.ca/employee-info/Pages/efap.aspx

Book appointments by calling (867) 668-EFAP (3327) or toll free 1-855-767-7429. If you need assistance, contact your HR consultant.

Quick Links

- Check Teams for the PD opportunities
- School health and safety during COVID-19
- Mental health and wellness supports
- Can your child go to school, daycare or return to regular activities?
- Yukon Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education Recovery Plan
- Wellness Together Canada free resources and support
- Yukon information on COVID-19
- Practice the Safe 6
- Non-medical masks in the workplace
- Canada response and Health Canada information
- Council of Yukon First Nations COVID-19 info hub
- Yukon vaccination clinics and information about the vaccine
- Yukon First Nation School Board