

DSBN Indigenous Education Update

February 2022

HIGHLIGHTS

Indigenous Student Leadership Circle (ISLC)

- Kya Steinbach-Parker leading this monthly circle virtually to connect First Nations, Métis, and Inuit secondary students from across the board with the support of the Indigenous Education team.

Additional Qualification courses (AQ) Spring 2022

- First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Peoples: Understanding Traditional Teachings, Histories, Current Issues and Cultures Part 1 and Part 2 online through Wilfred Laurier University
- Free for DSBN educators

Self-ID Policy G-31 Review

- Will be open for public feedback - on external DSBN site
- We will send the feedback link to IEAC when it becomes available

Board Action Plan (BAP) 2021-22

- New Ministry SharePoint format released in February 2022
 - Initial report due to ministry February 28, 2022
 - Final report back October 7, 2022
 - All funds allocated in Indigenous Education are reported in BAP this year
 - Online document allows for multiple user access
 - IEAC Co-chairs have access to document

Other Updates:

- New Superintendent of Curriculum and Student Achievement (9-12) - Ann Gilmore
- Draft version of French Land Acknowledgement shared
- Revised Flag Policy discussed
- Shared work of Elementary and Secondary Consultants, the Re-Engagement/Graduation Coach, and the Indigenous Supports Advisor (K-12)



INDIGENOUS SELF ID STUDENT UPDATE

Elementary **670 Students**
Secondary **319 Students**

First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Studies Courses Semester 2

Expressions of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Cultures -NAC10
3 Classes/60 students

First Nations, Métis, and Inuit in Canada - NAC20
3 Classes/34 students

Understanding Contemporary First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Voices
NBE3E – 6 classes/62 students
NBE3C - 12 classes/191 students
NBE3U – 11 classes/182 students

Contemporary Indigenous Issues - NDW4M
2 Classes/35 Students

COMING SOON

March 29, 2022

Student Career Fair

In partnership with Brock University, Niagara College and NCDSB

DSBN Indigenous Education Team

Georgie Groat – Student Achievement Leader and Lead for Indigenous Education (Principal K-12)

Jamie Groat - Elementary Consultant (K-8)

Gail Lafleur – Secondary Consultant (9-12)

Sheila Maracle - Indigenous Supports Advisor (K-12)

Kursten Ransom - Re-engagement and Graduation Coach (9-12)

Ann Gilmore - Superintendent of Curriculum and Student Achievement (9-12)

Marian Reimer Friesen - Superintendent of Curriculum and Student Achievement (K-8)

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