

DSBN Indigenous Education Update

January 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

Indigenous Student Leadership Circle (ISLC)

- Nodin Buck – Indigenous Student Trustee, continues to connect with student reps from each secondary school to bring a collective voice to the work he is doing. Virtual monthly circles connect First Nations, Métis, and Inuit secondary students from across the board with the support of the Indigenous Education team.

New Staff

- Angelica Hill – Indigenous Supports and Re-Engagement Teacher
- Marianne Groat – Student Achievement Leader – VP of Indigenous Education
- TBA – Indigenous Supports Advisor

Indigenous Secondary School Student Reps

- Logan and Layla Staats met with students in November to talk about their stories, their work in music and film and their involvement in activism.
- Working with students to create an information panel to present sessions at DSBN's Equity Conference in April.

Understanding Contemporary First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Voices

- September 2024 – NBE3 will replace ENG3 in all secondary schools
- Secondary team has created resources and supports for teachers to access and professional learning for all teachers new to NBE3 will be ongoing throughout semester 2

Teacher Navigators – Secondary

- This program is designed for Secondary educators to develop a deeper understanding of Indigenous Education, sovereignty, history, perspectives, and current realities of the Indigenous community across the nation and as well as locally.

Upcoming events:

- Parent Engagement Session March 2024

**INDIGENOUS
SELF ID STUDENT
UPDATE**
(As of January 22, 2024)

Elementary 772 Students
Secondary 376 Students

Strategic Priority: Walking Together – First Nations, Inuit and Métis Education and Voice

Commitment at the system and school level to building a deeper understanding of what reconciliation can be, by bringing the truths of history forward, enabling us to keep working towards creating positive, long-term change through:

- Relationships
- Reciprocity
- Reclamation
- Respect



DSBN Indigenous Education Team

- Feather Kearns** - Interim Elementary Consultant (K-8)
- Angelica Hill** - Indigenous Supports and Re-engagement Elementary Teacher (K-8)
- Kirsty Howie** – Secondary Consultant First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Studies (9-12)
- Megan Mazzone** - Interim Instructional Coach Indigenous Education (9-12)
- Kursten Ransom** - Re-engagement and Graduation Coach (9-12)
- Corry Carter** - Indigenous Languages Consultant (K-12)
- Sheila Maracle** - Indigenous Supports Advisor (K-12)
- TBD** - Indigenous Supports Advisor (K-12)
- Ashley Buck** – Social Worker - Indigenous Students K-12
- Marianne Groat** - Student Achievement Leader (K-12)
- Georgie Groat** - Student Achievement Leader and Lead for Indigenous Education (K-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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