# First Nations Education Council Fall 2022 Highlighter

The First Nations Education Council, as a team, advocate for First Nations, Métis, and Inuit students, youth and staff to ensure their sense of belonging, physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual needs are met in a culturally appropriate manner.

Next FNEC Meeting Mon. Dec. 5, 2022

Deadline for Proposals is 4:30 pm Nov. 21, 2022 Into our office. 2022 Role Models Angus Paul and Paige Romaniuk





#### **REMINDER:**

Our Indigenous Poetry Contest for 2023 is underway! It is open to all K-Gr. 12 students. Information on our SD27 Indigenous Educ. Website and in all schools. Enter today -Many prizes to be won!

#### **INTRODUCING OUR 2022 FIRST NATIONS ROLE MODELS**





Our 2022 Role Models Paige Romaniuk and Angus Paul have been very busy since their crowning ceremony held June 8, 2022. They took part in the Aboriginal Day Parade. Following the parade, we Chaperoned the role models to the events at Boitanio Park where they took part in the opening ceremony and later walked through the crowd to give out their bookmarks.

Stampede 2022: The Role Models proudly rode their horses into town joining up with the riders from out west the day before stampede. They also rode their horses in the Stampede Parade with the Tl'etinqox and Yuneŝit'in riders.

In August we sent the 2022 and the 2021 Role Models along with their families to attend the Kamloopa Pow Wow. These 4 Ambassadors made SD27 very proud. They marched in the hot sun in the Grand entry for 3 days!

Page 3-6: Photo Coverage of the Role Models

#### **Project Proposal Funding**

Deadline for proposals Mon. Nov. 21, 2022 4:30 p.m. (always 2 wks prior to FNEC meeting)

Proposal information can be found on the SD27 website under Departments, Indigenous Education then under Target Funding Criteria.

Please ensure that your proposal is signed by the appropriate member of the First Nations Education Committee for your area as well as your principal.

Schools are reminded to send in a final completion report and photos to First Nations Education Committee once their events have taken place. Digital photos are appreciated so they can be used on the website.

#### 2022-2023 FNEC Meeting Schedule:

Monday, October 3, 2022 Monday, November 7, 2022 Monday, December 5, 2022 January: NO MEETING Monday, February 6, 2023 Monday, March 6, 2023 Monday, April 3. 2023 Monday, May 1, 2023 Monday, June 5, 2023

#### FIRST PEOPLE'S PRINCIPLES OF LEARNING

See page 3 for these Principles.

The FNESC Poster of these Principles can be found on SD27 Website under Indigenous Education, First Nations Resources, First Nations Curriculum

#### **100 Mile Elementary School**



Left: 100 Mile Elementary School student Sophia Black, Grade 3 from Mrs. Lindberg's class leads the drumming at her school Orange Shirt event September 29, 2022.

Right: Hudson Grabowiecki and Matthew Brock, Grade 3 from Mr. Dunk's class (French Imm.)

#### **Indigenous Veterans Day November 8th**

Remembrance Day - Indigenous Contributions. Lots of interesting information on this site:

https://sway.office.com/0aE3S3TF9WjhnyRL

#### Role Model Registrations are out!!

Registration booths for Role Models will be set up in the high schools Oct/Nov. Students wishing to run in the annual Role Model Program will be able to come meet the current role models over the lunch hour and receive applications and information on the Role Model Program. Applications are also on the Indigenous Department website under 'Contests'. There will be a draw and a lot of fun with the staff and students at each school. Thank you to staff who continue to encourage students who would be outstanding role models for their peers and in serving their communities. Below: Angus Paul, Paige Romaniuk



Lake City Sec. Gr. 10 Carrier Class: Salmon caught and cleaned by Chief Willie Sellars of WLFN. Guest support provided by Shianne Sulin of Denisiqi. Carrier Teacher Leanna Leon and Indigenous Curriculum Development Teacher Dancing Water Sandy guided students to prepare the salmon. Students including, Annika Elkins, Ava Holte, Joey Sill, Aiden Squinas, Ethan Squinas, and Avery Toney were 100% engaged!



## From the staff at First Nations Education Department

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#### **The Principles of Learning**

(Found on SD27 Website under Departments, Indigenous Education, First Nations Resources, First Nations Curriculum)

#### First Peoples Principles of Learning (FPPL) #1

Learning ultimately supports the well-being of the self, the family, the community, the land, the spirits, and the ancestors

#### First Peoples Principles of Learning (FPPL) #2

Learning is holistic, reflexive, reflective, experiential, and relational (focused on connectedness, on reciprocal relationships, and a sense of place

#### First Peoples Principles of Learning (FPPL) #3

Learning involves recognizing the consequences of one 's actions

#### First Peoples Principles of Learning (FPPL) #4

Learning involves generational roles and responsibilities

#### First Peoples Principles of Learning (FPPL) #5

Learning recognizes the role of indigenous knowledge.

#### First Peoples Principles of Learning (FPPL) #6

Learning is embedded in memory, history, and story

#### First Peoples Principles of Learning (FPPL) #7

Learning involves patience and time.

#### First Peoples Principles of Learning (FPPL) #8

Learning requires exploration of one's identify

#### First Peoples Principles of Learning (FPPL) #9

Learning involves recognizing that some knowledge is sacred and only shared with permission and/or in certain situations.

2022 Role
Models
pictured with
Chief Willie
Sellars at the
Williams Lake
First Nation

Stampede ride: The 2022 Role Models pictured with Chief Joe Alphonse. Thank you to Tl'etinqox Govt. for their support of our Role Model Program!



Below: Kamloopa Pow Wow August 2022



### **Annual Role Model Ceremony: June 8, 2022**





2021 Role Models Kaden Craig and Seth Cahoose crowned the new 2022 Role Models Paige Romaniuk and Angus Paul. Role Models were blessed by David Archie, Cultural Coordinator from WLFN. The new role models are presented with their sashes, jackets, blankets, and signed Certificates along with a \$500.00 Bursary. Once the new role models are crowned, their first job is to present the outgoing role models with their "Keepsake" Crowns.

Keepsake crowns presented to the 2021 Role Models after being blessed by David Archie, Cultural Coordinator for WLFN:











Thank you, Seth, and Kaden, for a great job done as our 2021 Role Models!

As special thank you to everyone who ran in the contest!

Finally, thank you to all the parents, guardians and teachers/mentors who have helped our young people to be the outstanding role models that they are!