

# INDIGENOUS PATHWAYS

Indigenous Pathways Lead Teachers' Newsletter



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### Indigenous Pathways 2021-2022 Areas of Focus:

- Encourage school staff and students to demonstrate knowledge and respect for diverse cultures.
- Build awareness/understanding around traditional territories and how they can be learned about and acknowledged appropriately.



### Beyond Orange Shirt Day - Connecting with Elders & Knowledge Keepers

Each school honoured Orange Shirt Day, the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, in meaningful and memorable ways. The Calls to Action remind us that the process of revealing truth and reconciling with the past is ongoing. Connecting with community is one way to go "Beyond Orange Shirt Day."

Do your students have a question they would like to submit about the history and legacy of residential schools or about Indigenous ways of knowing, doing and being? Submit questions: [Google Form Link](#). Teachers will be notified in advance if their classroom questions are selected for response in one of the monthly videos. ARPDC (Alberta Regional Professional Development Consortium) produced this resource.



Student Questions for Elders and Knowledge Keepers





## Featured Article from New Trail, University of Alberta

- "Five Things I've Learned About Good Fire" introduces readers to Amy Cardinal Christianson from Whitecourt, Alberta. Author Lisa Szabo writes for NewTrail, a University of Alberta Alumni Association publication (8 min. read). Link: [Five Things I've Learned About Good Fire](#)

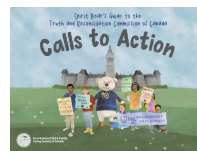
## CAREERS The Next Generation

- "CAREERS is committed to building and expanding our knowledge and relationships with Indigenous communities across Alberta by working to support Indigenous youth in career path awareness and internship experience" - School Bulletin, September 2021
- CAREERS video link for teachers: [Meet Josh](#)
- Indigenous Pathways Lead Teachers, Work-Experience, and RAP Coordinators will be invited to a virtual meeting with CAREERS' Regional Manager, Arlene Lauer-Kreuger, and Program Coordinator, Marcel St. Arnaud, who will share information on their Indigenous youth mandate.
- The TRC's Call to Action 7 and Call to Action 92ii focus on eliminating employment gaps and ensuring equitable access to jobs, training and education. Review the Calls to Action.



## Student Activity Bank

- Spirit Bear's Guide to the TRC Calls To Action. Link: [Calls To Action](#)
- GoodMinds Indigenous Bookstore - Link: [GoodMinds.com](#)
- Turtle Island Voices Interactive Books for Kids & Teachers Link: [Turtle Island Voices](#)
- 17 Beautiful Indigenous Comic Books & Computer Games Link: [Indigenous Comics & Games](#)



## Professional Development for School Staff

- First Nations Principles of Learning with Dr. Martin Brokenleg - [Video Link](#) (9 min.)
- Indigenous Canada UofA Course - 12-lesson course from the Faculty of Native Studies exploring Canadian Indigenous histories and contemporary issues. Free& Certificate options. Link: [Coursera UofA Indigenous Canada](#)
- Reconciliation 101, Self-Guided Training, Indigenous Relations Academy Link: [Reconciliation 101](#)
- 17 Ways to Build Culturally Aware Classrooms Link: [Culturally Aware Classrooms](#)
- RISE Book Club - Reconciliation In Solidarity Edmonton is a way for people to engage with reconciliation through learning. Link: [RISE Book Club](#)

*We must cherish our inheritance.*

*We must preserve our nationality for the youth of our future.*

*The story should be written down to pass on.*

*Louis Riel*

## Links to Guide Professional Practice

### ALBERTA & CANADIAN RESOURCE LINKS

- [Teaching Quality Standard](#)
- [Leadership Quality Standard](#)
- [Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action - English](#)
- [Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action - French](#)
- [Spirit Bear's Child-Friendly Calls To Action](#)
- [Teacher Guide - Beyond 94 Truth and Reconciliation in Canada](#)
- [23 Tips on What to Not Say or Do when Working Effectively with Indigenous Peoples](#)
- [Indigenous Peoples: A Guide to Terminology, Usage Tips and Definitions](#)

### GYPSD RESOURCE LINKS

- [GYPSD Board Approved Land Acknowledgement](#)
- [Resources To Support Indigenous Competencies from TQS - Doc with links](#)

