

# INDIGENOUS PATHWAYS

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### Indigenous Pathways 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.



### National Truth and Reconciliation Week 2022 - Remembering The Children

- Truth and Reconciliation Week 2022 is a national program for all schools across Canada. This year, our theme is *"Remembering the Children."* Participate and memorialize the children lost to the residential school system and honour Survivors and their families. Learning and commemorating the truth of our history from First Nations, Métis, and Inuit knowledge keepers is an important part of the path to Reconciliation.
- This year includes an expanded program with age-appropriate material for students grades 1 through 12.
- Days 1 to 3 feature pre-recorded videos and a live Q&A session. On September 30, students can view a live televised broadcast for Orange Shirt Day from their homes.
- Day 4 features an in-person gathering that will stream live for those unable to attend.
- All sessions will be held virtually on Hubilo. Registration is required to stream live and pre-recorded sessions and to participate in the Q&A segment:
  - **Links: [Truth and Reconciliation Week 2022](#) & [Registration](#)**
  - **Video Link: [National Truth and Reconciliation Day 2021 - CBC Production](#)**
  - **Video Link: [T̓keml̓ups̓ te Secwépemcws September 2021 - We Will Always Be Here](#)**





### ***I Lost My Talk* by Rita Joe - School-Wide Shared Reading**

- This series of activities can and should be used as a school-wide shared reading to focus on the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation on September 30.
- The lesson plan includes 6 links to video resources, questions for reflection, literature recommendations, poetry, and a bilingual backline master.
  - Link: [Lesson Plan](#)
  - Link: [Global 16X9 Video I Lost My Talk](#)



### **Considerations for Truth and Reconciliation Week 2022**

- Truth and Reconciliation Week 2022 is September 26th - 30th
- September 30 is Truth and Reconciliation Day and is a non-school day for GYPSD students.
- Invite Elders and Traditional Knowledge Keepers to your school to participate in Truth and Reconciliation Week activities.
- Resource Suggestions & Links:
  - [Phyllis' Story, The Original Orange Shirt](#)
  - [With Our Orange Hearts - New Book](#)
  - [The Story - Orange Shirt Day](#)
  - [Teacher Resources - Grades K-12 \(with printable stickers\)](#)
  - [Nation Centre for Truth and Reconciliation Education Resources](#)
  - [National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - Royal Assent on June 3, 2021](#)

### **Professional Development Opportunities**

- *Decolonizing Lens Film Night* - hosted by the Winnipeg Art Gallery (WAG) on September 15. Get your free tickets and watch online via Eventbrite. [Film Night Registration](#)
- Articles to deepen Indigenous Foundational Knowledge:
  - [Why We Need to Stay the Course on Reconciliation](#)
  - [Why We Shouldn't "Bury The Hatchet"](#)
  - [Responses From Some Indigenous Leaders on the Historic Papal Apology](#)
  - [International Decade of Indigenous Languages](#)
- 21 Things Self-Guided Training - 30-day access for \$21 Link: [21 Things Training](#)
- Edmonton Regional Learning Consortium Professional Development Opportunities:
  - [Truth and Reconciliation 365 Days a Year ReconciliACTION](#)
  - [We Are All Treaty People](#)
  - [Elders, protocols, and practices. What can I do in my classroom?](#)
  - [Orange Shirt Day and Beyond: The Legacy of Residential Schools](#)
  - [Indigenous Education is Canadian Education](#)

## Links to Guide Professional Practice

### ALBERTA & CANADIAN RESOURCE LINKS

- [Teaching Quality Standard](#)
- [Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action - English](#)
- [Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action - French](#)
- [Orange Shirt Day Organization](#)
- [Teacher Guide - Beyond 94 Truth and Reconciliation in Canada](#)
- [Acknowledging Land & People](#)

### GYPSD RESOURCE LINKS

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

*"Let us find a way to belong to this time and place together. Our future, and the well-being of all our children, rests with the kind of relationships we build today."*

Chief Dr. Robert Joseph

