



“The Feather”, our AbEd memo, keeps you up-to-date on events and news related to our department. Submissions are accepted (hummel_lisa@surreyschools.ca) up to noon on the previous Friday.

ACYCW/ AEA drumming workshop – May 6 & 7 – sign up now

<http://bit.ly/r2rdrumming>

On May 6 and 7, (9am to 4pm both days), at Beecher Place in Crescent Beach, the department is sponsoring a drumming workshop using the “Rhythm2Recovery” method, a culturally neutral approach to drumming that allows session leaders to build trust, and open communication with students. The cost of the 2-day workshop and lunches will be covered by the department. We have space for 24 participants - please register now - first come, first served. While the workshop is given using djembes, the strategies and techniques you will learn work with any drum form factor and are adaptable to a variety of drumming traditions. (You will be able to lead drumming circles even if you have no prior drumming experience.)

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FINAL CALL: KPU Open Doors, Open Minds – deadline April 24

“Open Doors, Open Minds” combines the annual Indigenous Open House with an Indigenous STEAM-focused (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) event that KPU piloted in 2017. [Open Doors, Open Minds](#) will take place at the **Surrey Campus on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 from 8:30am to 2:00pm**. KPU needs to know the approximate number of students that will be attending for planning purposes. The deadline for responding has been extended to **Wednesday, April 24th**. Breakfast and lunch is provided.

If you have not done so already, register your Indigenous students to attend by contacting Ramanpreet.Dhaliwal@kpu.ca with the following information:

School name:

School district:

Number of students attending:

*** KPU will be providing transportation to the event! Please let us know immediately if you require bus transportation for your students.

Indigenous Strand of Convention for Enhancement Workers (registration fee covered)

On Friday, May 3rd, STA's Indigenous Education Committee will be hosting its Indigenous Strand of Convention, which is a pro-d day of Indigenous everything... food, teachings, hands-on workshops, speakers, dancers, drummers, vendors, etc. Registration for this cultural experience is now open.

If you are wanting to learn about BC's Indigenous Peoples, histories, cultures, etc., plan to attend our Indigenous, pro-d day event (read cultural experience) taking place down in beautiful, sunny White Rock, on Friday, May 3rd, at Earl Marriott Secondary. All educators welcome. Registration fees for out-of-district teachers is \$100.00 and for CUPE Enhancement Workers \$25.00 (registration includes lunch). Lyn Daniels has agreed to reimburse all CUPE Enhancement Workers for their \$25.00 registration fee.

For our keynote, we have UBC professor, Dr. Bruce Miller, one of Canada's most respected experts on the Coast Salish, who is often called upon by Canada's legal system to give expert testimony.

For anyone looking to learn more about Aboriginal worldviews & perspectives, histories, cultures, issues, etc., this is the pro-d day experience you will want to attend. Registration for our big day (Friday, May 3rd) is open and sessions are filling up fast, so be sure to register ASAP. Any questions, feel free to email me at sousa_c@surreyschools.ca

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