



“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.

Contact Information for Outside Agencies that Presented at Staff Meeting

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AESA Tip of the Week

If you are seeing a number of individual students for the same purpose, or in the same way, on the same day, try the following: create a single event (“*Informal Check-in*”) with a brief description (“*Check-in regarding academic progress and peer relationships.*”), and check off one of the appropriate checkboxes (1a), and then add multiple students. This allows you to efficiently document numerous interactions on the same date. **Tip:** you can use the same title for this kind of event, but each time vary the description to reflect the topics, time of year or depth of the interaction: (“*Check-in regarding holiday plans, and FOS participation.*” Or “*Check-in regarding end of term grades and term 2 selections.*” Etc.)

“You Wear It Well” -- Free Grad Outfits for Students in Surrey

See [flyer](#) and [info](#) from the “You Wear It Well” group that is providing free grad outfits for students in Surrey. They have room to accommodate up to 100 students from Surrey and currently only have had 20 students referred. Please share and refer students. The official deadline is **Feb 1st 2019**, but this is a soft deadline and kids can be referred until the first or second week of February. After this date they cannot accept students for the Boutique Day event, please make your referrals ASAP.

referrals@youwearitwell.org.

[Boutique Day Student Referral form](#)

Apply to Become a FitNation Leader

Applications are now being accepted for the next FitNation Leader Training! Submit your application today and join 100+ FitNation leaders delivering programs across the province! Twelve successful applicants will enjoy 3 days of experiential learning, mastering the dynamic movements of FitNation, led by Master Facilitators and FitNation Mentors. See [flyer](#).

April 2 - 4, 2019

Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel

Musqueam Territory, Richmond, BC

[FitNation Leader Application Form](#)

Deadline to apply: Feb. 6th, 2019 at 4:00 pm

Verna J. Kirkness Science and Engineering Program for Grade 11 (FNMI) students

First Nations, Métis and Inuit students are invited to spend a week in May in a science or engineering research laboratory. All costs are paid for by the Foundation. The students will experience what it would be like to attend University.

The **application and the instructions** can be found at the

website: www.vernakirkness.org in the Apply section. A list of current faculty and

research projects can be found at [http://www.vernakirkness.org/application-](http://www.vernakirkness.org/application-form/research-areas/)

[form/research-areas/](http://www.vernakirkness.org/application-form/research-areas/). A video made by students from High Prairie Alberta talking about their experience can be found on YouTube

at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TuDqQHuv_VE.

The last day for applying is February 15, 2019. Completed applications should be sent to susan@vernakirkness.org or fax: 204-697-1318. (See [document](#) for more details.)

Application for Family Gathering Funding

Aboriginal Learning is pleased to be offering funding of \$1,000 towards the costs associated with holding Family Gatherings. The main criteria for these gatherings is that they address Goal #1 of the Enhancement Agreement:

- To increase positive identity and sense of belonging for all Aboriginal Learners.

Please submit the fillable [application](#) form to [Lisa Kerins](#) before February 15, 2019.

Winter Wellness Gathering

South Surrey/White Rock Learning Centre will be hosting a First Nation Health Authority "[Wellness Warrior Winter Gathering](#)" event on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 from 5pm-8pm for all Indigenous students and families. At our "Wellness Warrior Winter Gathering" event we will engage Indigenous children, youth and families at four different Wellness stations/activities.. For more information please contact Toni @ burbridge_t@surreyschools.ca

Indigenous Cultural Programming - School Performances – New Westminster

Upcoming programming at the Anvil Centre in New Westminster that would provide students with opportunities to engage in conversation about Indigenous-Nonindigenous relations in Canada today.

[The Coastal Dance Festival](#) (Feb 22 and 24) has appeal for all ages, but particularly for elementary and middle school students. [The plays](#) (Feb 8 and Mar 1) are appropriate for high school students.

Bookings for these events can be made by contacting TicketsNW at 604 521 5050.

Cross Cultural Connections: Youth Symposium on Anti-racism – March 6th

A celebration of **Equity**, Truth and Reconciliation and Black History Month – Wednesday, March 6th, 2019 – 8:30 am to 2:45 pm @ REC

The intent of the day is to build cultural awareness and sensitivity within the student community. Facilitators will provide a safe environment to discuss issues of race with respect and positivity. Speakers and activities will instill students' racial and cultural heritages. In the face of current social tensions, dialogue will be relevant and meaningful.

Each secondary school can register up to seven students and each learning centre up to four students. Deadline for registration is February 28, 2019.

[Poster](#)

[Permission Form](#)

[Registration Form](#) (to be submitted by school contact)

List of FREE January/February Indigenous Youth Sports Camps and Coaching Clinics in the Fraser Region

Here is a list of all the upcoming **Youth Sports Camps, Coaching Clinics, and Provincial Camps** that are happening in the Fraser Region during the month of January/February, as well as their registration links.

Youth Sports Camps: All camps are free for self-identified Indigenous youth! Please check to see what attire is required, and whether the camp is intended for youth ages 6-12, 13-17, or all-inclusive. Finally, please Pre-Register your youth before the event:

- [Rifle Shooting](https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/xn6ar9a1rbus71/) with Fraser Valley Metis Association (Jan 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb 4, 11) in Abbotsford: <https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/xn6ar9a1rbus71/>
- [Archery](https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/x19sqj8h1pmpb38/) with Fraser Valley Metis Association (Jan 8, 15, 22, 29, Feb 5, 12) in Abbotsford: <https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/x19sqj8h1pmpb38/>
- Spirit Lacrosse with Tzeachten First Nation (Jan 10-March 14th) in Chilliwack: <https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/z1ptx93c00u5vfw/>
- [Soccer with Katzie First Nation](https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/s1ydy5p80l65016/) (January 28th) in Pitt Meadows: <https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/s1ydy5p80l65016/>
- [Strength and Conditioning/Winter Fitness Training](https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/zmzcsun0kvriyh/) with Scowlitz First Nation (January 26th) in Deroche: <https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/zmzcsun0kvriyh/>
- [Archery with Spirit of the Children Society](https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/z146f59f1bhs8e3/) (January 30th) in Langley: <https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/z146f59f1bhs8e3/>
- [Soccer with Sts'ailes](https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/khe738x17vgfpa/) (Feb 4, 11, 18, 25) in Agassiz: <https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/khe738x17vgfpa/>
- Lacrosse with Lower Fraser Valley Aboriginal Society (Feb. 22) in Langley: TBA

Coaching Clinics: All coaching clinics are free for anyone age sixteen and older who is Indigenous or who works/coaches in an Indigenous community. Please Pre-Register your youth before the event:

- Instructor of Beginner Archers with Spirit of the Children Society (Feb. 9th and 10th) in Langley: <https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/z1qzaakh1okpffr/>
- [Aboriginal Coaching Modules](https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/zoko7vb0ormicu/) with Fortius Sport & Health (Feb. 23) in Burnaby: <https://aboriginalsportbc.wufoo.com/forms/zoko7vb0ormicu/>

- [Teaching and Learning with PacificSport Fraser Valley \(Feb. 23\) in Langley:](https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/nccp-course-teaching-learning-tickets-55089404893)
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Please note: Information about camps and other news (such as Team BC and NAIG updates) is also available on the [website](#)

Métis Youth British Columbia launches their 5th Annual Métis Youth Role Model Campaign

Métis Youth British Columbia (MYBC) is proud to announce the 5th Annual *Métis Youth Role Model Campaign* to identify amazing Métis Youth in your community. The campaign is designed to focus on Youth achievements and provide role models for our Métis communities. Métis role models promote healthy lifestyles, Métis culture and awareness, strengthen Métis identity and are actively involved in their community. Last year, MYBC recognized the following Métis Youth Role Models: Laura McNab-Coombs, Steven Faryna, Ashley Sharpe, Patrick Francis Hanly and Angel Robinson.

MYBC is seeking to promote five (5) new Métis Youth Role Models from among all eligible submissions. In order to be eligible, Métis Youth role models must be between the ages of 15 and 30 and reside in the Province of BC. Métis Youth Role Models will receive \$300 in gift cards, will be showcased on the Métis Youth British Columbia website, and will have opportunities to travel within the Province to Métis Youth gatherings and events.

If there is a Métis Youth you would like to submit to the *Métis Youth Role Model Campaign*, please send a high resolution picture and a write-up of a maximum of 500 words about them and why you consider them to be a Role Model in your community. Please note: *You do not need to be a Youth to nominate a Métis Youth Role Model.*

The deadline is March 4th, 2019 @ 4:30 PM PST and Role Models will be announced on March 19th, 2018. E-mail your submission to the Youth & Community Project Assistant, Brittney Bertrand, at bbertrand@mNBC.ca or fax to 778-571-9402.

[Flyer](#)

View on the [website](#).

JIBC Indigenous Youth Career Camp

A weeklong overnight camp for Indigenous students ages 15 to 18 (Birth Years 2000 – 2003). The camp promotes interest in careers in justice, public safety, and health through applied education, cultural experiences and connections, and engagements with a wide range of community partners at multiple JIBC campuses. The camp provides opportunities to meet new friends from across BC, connect with Elders and

role models, and enjoy great food, fun, laughter, and learning in a culturally safe and supportive environment. Deadline: February 25, 2019

[Link](#) to info and application

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