



*“The Feather”, our Aboriginal Learning memo, keeps you up-to-date on events and news related to our department. Submissions are accepted ([kerins\\_l@surreyschools.ca](mailto:kerins_l@surreyschools.ca)) up to noon on the previous Friday.*

### **Surrey Mental Health and Wellness 40 – Tues, Nov 10 – 3:15pm - TODAY**

This presentation will be a continuation - but also stand-alone - presentation about helping kids build resilience during the COVID-19 pandemic. Hear from Emily Piper, Registered Clinical Counsellor and Art Therapist. She will be talking about how to use art & art therapy to help kids deal with the emotional and psychological stress that they are experiencing during the "new normal". (If you have any questions email or text Daniel To. (778.772.4992)

Live Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iateSa5zwOE>

Surrey Mental Health and Wellness YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn0uB2Hq7UIIBIzQNf0Jj4w>

### **UBC Sauder BCom Fall Preview 2020 – November 19<sup>th</sup> – 4:30 to 6:00 pm on Zoom**

This online event highlights the BCOM program and gives prospective students information on applying, as well as a chance to meet some current students, professors and staff.

Attendees will learn more about the BCom curriculum and hear about some of the unique extracurricular opportunities available to students from the diverse perspectives of current students and instructors and staff from the Business Career Centre. The BCom admissions team will also be present to answer any questions about applying to UBC.

Please feel free to send the following registration link to any students that may be interested in attending:

[https://ubc.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5Apd-ivrDkvHNwVvWgII-l\\_acPXVgJAIIUi](https://ubc.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5Apd-ivrDkvHNwVvWgII-l_acPXVgJAIIUi)

Any questions, please contact [yugaant.ahuja@sauder.ubc.ca](mailto:yugaant.ahuja@sauder.ubc.ca)

### **Strengthening Connections Virtual Fair - Update**

Initially, events were going to be dedicated a specific date to a region but now all of the events are open going forward. Here is the [poster](#) with the dates and a link to register for the fair. The

presentation discusses SFU admission requirements, programs and Indigenous support services. Other institutions have scheduled webinars and are available for live chat as well.

On the days that Strengthening Connections is not scheduled, the PSBC booths are live. Students are free to attend either but the Strengthening Connections dates offer the students the opportunity to connect with an Indigenous Recruiter in the event they have specific questions.

## **British Columbia Aboriginal Network on Disability Society – November Webinars**

British Columbia Aboriginal Network on Disability Society (BCANDS) recognizes November as Indigenous Disability Awareness Month (IDAM). BCANDS created IDAM in 2015 and it is now widely recognized and proclaimed across Canada. They are hosting a webinar series to celebrate IDAM [See <http://www.bcands.bc.ca/indigenous-disability-awareness-month-idam/> for details on all webinars]

**November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 10:30-11:30 am PST: *Support for Student Learning Program***

Register:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZllcOytrjMtHtHel3c7UP0nRO2zJIK5YYuu>

Email [project1@bcands.bc.ca](mailto:project1@bcands.bc.ca) by November 5<sup>th</sup> if you have accessibility requirements

Other topics:

- November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 10:30-11:30 am PST: *Registered Disability Savings Plan (RDSP)*
- November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 10:30-11:30 am PST: *Disability Case Management (DCM)*
- November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 10:30-11:30 am PST: *Employment Engagement Project*

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

If you have any questions, please email: [project1@bcands.bc.ca](mailto:project1@bcands.bc.ca)

## **Community Justice Initiatives - Youth Black Book**

The Youth Black Book is an excellent online resource guide for youth in the Fraser Valley which provides all youth, specifically those at risk, with helpful information available to them in their local community. Please encourage your youth to access the website for any help or useful information they may need. Here is the link: [www.youthblackbook.com](http://www.youthblackbook.com)

## **Indigenous Author Reading - Karen Pheasant-Neganigwane - Thurs Nov 26 10-11am**

(Gr 4, 5, 6.) Surrey Public Library is hosting a virtual Author Reading + Q&A with [Karen Pheasant-Neganigwane](#) during the school day. Her book [Powwow](#), is a celebration of Indigenous song and dance. The event will be hosted on TEAMS. Interested teachers are asked to register at: <https://www.surreylibraries.ca/online-indigenous-author-reading-karen-pheasant-neganigwane> with your grade level, school name and closest Public library branch in order to receive the TEAMS link for the meeting on Nov 26. (You will need a projector and good speakers to view this event, and you will want to have your microphone muted during the

presentation. The teacher will be able to ask questions via chat at the end of the reading.) Further questions: <[Nadine.Lincoln@surrey.ca](mailto:Nadine.Lincoln@surrey.ca)>

### **SPL offers two evening author readings open to the public**

Michael Hutchinson – Wed Nov 18 at 6-7pm – See [poster](#).

General Public reading– Registration link:

<https://www.surreylibraries.ca/online-indigenous-author-reading-michael-hutchinson>

Karen Pheasant-Neganigwane - Wed Nov 25 at 6-7pm – See [poster](#).

General Public reading - Registration link:

<https://www.surreylibraries.ca/online-indigenous-author-reading-karen-pheasant-neganigwane-0>

### **Indigenous Dialogue Series: Perspectives on Indigenization**

Wednesday, Nov 25 - 1:00pm-3:00pm, via Zoom.

(Will be recorded for later viewing for those who cannot attend live.)

Dr. Jo-ann Archibald Q'um Q'um Xiiem, from the Stó:lō and St'at'imc First Nations, is the keynote. She will speak about what reconciliation means in relation to Indigenous knowledges, Indigenous self-determination, and high-quality education, and how all those who work and study at KPU can be engaged with Indigeneity and reconciliation in meaningful ways. See [poster](#).

RSVPs and program information can be found at: <https://www.kpu.ca/indigenous/dialogue-series>

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