



"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.

Help Us By Confirming Your Absences

Because of the way staff schedules are tracked in the Atrieve system, if you are absent on a regularly scheduled day, even if you have logged your absence on the employee self-serve, please email Aboriginal Learning (Lisa Kerins) to let us know. This will allow us to cross-reference the absence with our dashboard to avoid payroll issues.

Let's Talk About Reconciliation - "Forgotten Warriors" movie screening

The "Let's Talk About Reconciliation" Film Series is launching with a movie screening of [Forgotten Warriors](#) on Thursday, January 24, 2019, 6-8 pm at City Centre Library. Please see the [poster](#) for details, and feel free to share widely!

Aboriginal Trades Event – February 28th – BCIT/Seaspan (Deadline February 8th)

Surrey has a grant from ACCESS to provide Aboriginal youth with an informative day that includes hands-on experiences in a variety of trade areas. The focus this year is on Marine trades and careers and will be held at two sites, BCIT Marine Campus and Seaspan, on Thursday February 28, 2019. It is available to aboriginal students in grades 10 through 12. Please see the [Event Application](#) for all the details. If you have interested students, please coordinate with Career Ed staff who have already received this package. (We are hoping to fill 36 seats.) Please note, this year's participants will receive a free pair of steel toed boots and a t-shirt! Lunch is included.

Cross Cultural Connections: Youth Symposium on Anti-racism – March 9th

A celebration of **Equity**, Truth and Reconciliation and Black History Month – Wednesday, March 9th, 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)

ISPARC Camps – February 5th to March 12th, 2019

The Aboriginal Low Number Support Team is inviting Indigenous students grades 4-7 with their Aboriginal CYCW staff to our upcoming ISPARC Camps:

- February 5th – [Volleyball](#) @ Port Kells Elementary (19076 88 Ave- Surrey)
- February 12th – [Wrestling](#) @ Morgan Elementary (3366 156A Street-Surrey)
- February 19th – [Wrestling](#) @ Erma Stephenson Elementary (10929 160th Street-Surrey)
- February 26th - [Wrestling](#) @ Colebrook Elementary (5404-125a Street)

If you have any question please email us at lownumbersupport@surreyschools.ca

The Story of the Coast Salish Knitters (streaming video - 52 minutes)

<http://bit.ly/CSKvideo> (may require free registration at Knowledge Network)

An insight into this tradition: "Combining the ancient wool-working traditions of the Coast Salish people and knitting techniques of English and Scottish settlers, Cowichan sweaters have become a symbol of Canada's West Coast."

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