



“The Feather”, our AbEd memo, keeps you up-to-date on events and news related to our department. Submissions are accepted (kerins_1@surreyschools.ca) up to noon on the previous Friday.

Mom's Stop the Harm Presentation Invite – November 20, 2019

A peer based support group for families impacted by substance use and related deaths. See [flyer](#).

Invitation: Katzie Career & Post Secondary Information Event - Tuesday, November 26, 2019

[Invitation](#) to any First Nations, Metis and Inuit students. See [poster](#).

We have had an amazing response from Post Secondary schools and Companies with over 10 companies with job opportunities with the rest being Post Secondary Schools from all over BC. To date we have 33 exhibitors attending along with Kwantlen and Kwikwetlem youth (see the [list](#) of confirmed exhibitors).

The Strengthening Connections Post-Secondary Fair - November 29, 2019 from 9:30-11:30am

The Fair is being hosted at Frank Hurt Secondary School in the cafeteria. There will be 14-20 different institutions represented that are able to speak

to the Indigenous supports at their post secondary programs. If you would like any of your students to attend, please contact Stephanie Subject at subject_s@surreyschools.ca

Temp Project Coordinator Position – December 2019 to October 2020

Posting for the new South Surrey/White Rock CAT project coordinator position for this next CAI funding period (December 2019 – October 2020). See [posting](#).

PCRS / FRAFCA Birth Mom FASD Group Partnership – December 5, 2019

The FRAFCA key worker program has partnered with the FYI program to start the Birth Mom's group for mom's with children and youth who have FASD. See the [poster](#) for further details.

Secondary Schools – Application for Family Gathering – Deadline is December 20, 2019

Aboriginal Learning is pleased to be offering funding of \$1,000 towards the costs associated with holding Family Gatherings (these funds are for a secondary school and its feeder elementary schools combined). 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 see the [application form](#). (Mac users - download to desktop to fill out the application form.)

Verna J. Kirkness Education Foundation - February 18-21, 2020 (Deadline - December 20th)

In February 2020, together with Kwantlen Polytechnic University, we are offering 10 Indigenous students from the lower mainland a full scholarship (no cost!) to

participate in the Verna J. Kirkness Science and Engineering Program at KPU from February 18-21, 2020. Students need only display an interest in science or engineering and DO NOT need to have “top” marks. During the week students will conduct research in labs, meet Elders at the Indigenous Student Centre, participate in an Honour Dinner and experience university life including residing in a hotel close to campus. Students will be chaperoned at all times, and there is no cost to students. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Ron Woznow, at ron@vernajkirkness.org . The application form and the instructions can be found at the website: www.vernajkirkness.org in the “Apply” section. See [link#1](#) and [link#2](#).

Aboriginal Tours Program at UBC – Book a tour for your group

Led by an Aboriginal Student Ambassador, the tour explores UBC and features Indigenous spaces on campus. We would be happy to hear to host any Indigenous students who are interested in coming to campus, or to learn a little more about what UBC has to offer. (See poster)

Additionally, Teneille Shea (Community Liaison Manager) would be happy to visit your school and provide an information session, or, set up an evening information session for your school for Indigenous students to learn about Indigenous pathways, resources, supports and more at UBC and UBCO.

If you have any questions: teneille.shea@ubc.ca or (604)-827-0714

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