



School District No. 53 (Okanagan – Similkameen) Indigenous Ancestry Declaration

The Ministry of Education and Child Care provides additional funding for students who are descendants of First Nations, Métis or Inuit people. The funds are used by the district to provide support, programs and services for Indigenous students. This includes cultural, academic, social, and emotional support for students as well as district wide cultural projects, resources, leadership opportunities, and celebrations. The Indigenous Education Department also offers school based cultural programs and Indigenous resources located in Gathering Spaces.

Indigenous ancestry includes students who identify as Status, Non-Status, On-Reserve, Off-Reserve, Métis and Inuit. Your child does not require a status card to receive these services.

In accordance with the Ministry of Education and Child Care, participation in the Indigenous Education program must be confirmed annually.

Indigenous Education Program

My child/ren are descendants of (*please circle*): a) First Nations b) Métis c) Inuit

Band Affiliation if applicable: _____

Please list all children's names who qualify at same school.

Name of Student(s):

Name: _____	Grade: _____

I declare that I am the Parent/Guardian of the above student/s and I understand I have the right to remove my child/ren from the program if I decide to do so.

Parents name: _____ Signature: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail: _____