



The Aboriginal Education Department offers a variety of services with the goal of closing the educational/opportunity gap for Aboriginal students. The goal is to infuse Aboriginal perspectives across the curriculum for all students as well as by providing direct wrap-around supports to enhance the overall achievement of Aboriginal students throughout the School District No. 57.

Aboriginal Education Workers strive to improve the awareness of Aboriginal peoples; through one-on-one, group support; as well as classroom presentations to weave Aboriginal Culture into curriculum

The Aboriginal Education Workers assist Aboriginal students and their families in understanding the school system and in participating effectively in the school community. These learning experiences serve to foster authentic student engagement, to reinforce pride and self-esteem amongst Aboriginal students. The Aboriginal Education Worker encourages Aboriginal Students to see themselves in a positive way to establish a sense of belonging within the community.

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HOME OF THE GRIZZLIES

Working as a team, Morfee Elementary inspires confidence, promotes a love of learning, and provides opportunities for excellence. Morfee Elementary is proud to recognize that we are on the traditional Territory of the McLeod Lake Indian Band and values the cultural support McLeod Lake provides to us.

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION WORKER

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

ABORIGINAL LEARNING FOCI 2016-2017

Aboriginal Education At Morfee.....

Jenine Solonas– Aboriginal Education Worker

As the Aboriginal Education Worker for the second year I'm very excited to provide some great activities for students as well as meeting parents and families. If anyone would like to volunteer please call me and I can work out the paperwork :)

I encourage kids to come see me anytime they are needing assistance whether it be a for educational support , for a snack, or if they just need someone to talk to my door is always open.

I will be running a family planning drop-in program for students needing any extra help with scheduling, nutritional foods or support. Teachers and parents are welcome to refer children they believe would benefit from this program.

I'm very excited to work with your child and look



forward to the 2016/2017 school year.

Services provided for Aboriginal students include:

- Access to the breakfast and lunch program as needed.
- Provides students with access to attend cultural events
- Additional academic support through Peer Tutoring, Aboriginal Education Worker , Homework program and other school professionals
- IT DOES NOT interfere with your child's regular classroom activity or education; our program is supplementary and works closely with the administration and teachers to develop meaningful, cultural, opportunities for your child
- Liason services between students, teachers, parents, and the school regarding academic or behavioral concerns
- Provides students with the opportunity to be a part of shared readings and "Raven Tales", followed by discussions and bannock
- Provides students with an equal opportunity to participate in field trips out to McLeod Lake and surrounding areas

Restitution & Restorative Practice

Melissa Morin, Caralyn Hoffman

Aboriginal Education Foci Facilitator

- Restorative conversations
- Professional Development
- Family Conferencing
- Healthy Relationships/peer mediation

Your child will be able to participate in some of these activities:

1. Pow Wow Drum making, fancy dance
2. Back to basics, homework club
3. Basic life skills, cooking, basic hygiene
4. Food Safe Certificate/canning
5. RCMP—basic awareness
6. Tea sampling with BC Wildlife Team



