

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT- Honouring the Land and Territory

The Durham District School Board acknowledges that many Indigenous Nations have longstanding relationships, both historic and modern, with the territories upon which our school board and schools are located. Today, this area is home to many Indigenous peoples from across Turtle Island (North America). We acknowledge that the Durham Region forms a part of the traditional and treaty territory of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation, the Mississauga Peoples and the treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation. It is on these ancestral and treaty lands that we teach, learn and live.

Treaty Education Week provides a great opportunity for school communities to engage in learning about the significance and rationale behind why we recognize the traditional territory.

MORNING ANNOUNCEMENT:

In Ontario we take time throughout the first week of November to acknowledge and recognize the importance of Treaties and to bring awareness to the Treaty relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in the province. Here at _____ (name of school), we honour the Treaty relationship we have with the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation/Chippewas of Georgina Island (use the territory that your school is on).

Treaties Recognition Week provides was with the opportunity to continue our journey of healing and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

NEWSLETTER INSERT:

Treaties Education Week- Nov. 4-10

Ontario has designated the first week in November as **Treaties Recognition Week** to promote education and awareness about Treaties and Treaty relationships. All students, both Indigenous and non-Indigenous, are enriched by learning about the histories, contributions and perspective of First Nation, Métis and Inuit peoples in Canada. Raising awareness about Treaty relationships and working with First Nations is part of the Ontario government's Treaty strategy, which is promoting constructive engagement with First Nation communities and revitalizing Treaty relationships.

Here at _____ (name of school), we honour the Treaty relationship we have with the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation/Chippewas of Georgina Island (use the territory your school is on).

Here at _____ (name of school) we will be recognizing Treaties Recognition Week by _____.

Schools could also choose to include the “Did You Know? Fact sheet in their newsletter.

RESOURCES AND SUPPORT LINKS

1. Treaties in Ontario
<https://www.ontario.ca/page/treaties>
2. First Nations and Treaties Map of Ontario
<https://www.ontario.ca/page/first-nations-and-treaties-map-ontario>
3. EduGains Resources
<http://www.edugains.ca/newsite/curriculum/ontariocurriculum.html>
<http://www.edugains.ca/newsite/curriculum/elementaryresources/socialstudies.html>
<http://www.edugains.ca/newsite/curriculum/secondaryresources/firstnations.html>
4. Edusource Resources (French)
<http://www.edusourceontario.com/>
5. FNMIEAO (First Nations, Metis & Inuit Education Association of Ontario_)
<http://www.fnmieao.com/resources/>
6. First Nations, Métis, Inuit Connections Scope and Sequence of Expectations documents:
<http://find.gov.on.ca/?searchType=simple&owner=edu&url=&collection=educationtcu&offset=0&lang=en&type=ANY&q=FNMI+Scope+and+Sequence>
Elementary PDF- edu.gov.on.ca/eng/curriculum/elementary/elementaryFNMI.pdf
Secondary PDF- edu.gov.on.ca/eng/curriculum/secondary/SecondaryFNMI.pdf
7. Indigenous Education Resources (Grade 1 and 8 Treaty lessons included)
<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/aboriginal/elemStrategies.html>
<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/aboriginal/secStrategies.html>
8. Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation website- www.ontario.ca/page/ministry-indigenous-relations-and-reconciliation
9. What you Need to Know About Treaties in Ontario-
https://www.ontario.ca/page/treaties?_ga=1.12939895.1930507153.1473704090
10. First Nations Treaty Education in Ontario-
https://www.oise.utoronto.ca/deepeningknowledge/UserFiles/File/UploadedAmina_/5J_COL2_011TreatyEducation.pdf
11. Truth and Reconciliation Commission-
<http://www.trc.ca/websites/trcinstitution/index.php?p=3>

12. The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action

[http://www.trc.ca/websites/trcinstitution/File/2015/Findings/Calls to Action English2.pdf](http://www.trc.ca/websites/trcinstitution/File/2015/Findings/Calls_to_Action_English2.pdf)

13. Assembly of First Nations: Teaching Treaties (Grade 9-12)

<https://teachingtreaties.wordpress.com/understanding-first-nations-and-british-western-historical-world-views/>

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Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation- <http://www.scugogfirstnation.com/Public/Home.aspx>

Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation- <http://georginaisland.com/>

Williams Treaties- <http://www.williamstreatiesfirstnations.ca/>

VIDEOS:

Trick or Treaty- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i-cmr3PRV5M>

Maurice Switzer on Treaties- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SrU40RnEiQY>

Charlie Angus on Treaties- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cb3IOV1j_-8

Hayden King on Treaties https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6niWvsqV_oM

Chief Isadore Day on Treaties <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pj1tHoGT1P8>

More resources to support Treaties Recognition Week can be found on the Indigenous Education portal site <https://portal.ddsbc.ca/group/z83pktj/Pages/default.aspx>

“We Are All Treaty People” elementary and secondary teacher kits are also available in the Media Library, from the Indigenous Education Department and can be purchased through the Anishinabek Nation. <http://www.anishinabek.ca/education-resources/>

