

# NIIGAANIIN

Client and Community Newsletter

March 7, 2024



## Niigaaniin Hours

Mon-Thurs 9:00-4:30 - Fridays 9:00-4:00

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**Cheque Day March 28, 2024**

## OESP PROGRAM

CHECK YOUR HYDRO BILL FOR OESP EXPIRE  
RENEWAL YEARLY

CALL Darrell Jacques  
705 356 1621 Ext 2235

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**ODSP FN WORKER**  
**STACEY ARMSTRONG**

**Sarmstrong@niigaaniin.com**

**(705) 356 1621 - EXT 2352**

**FAX 705-356 0728**

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***Closed for Easter***

***Good Friday March 29, 2024***

***Easter Monday April 1, 2024***

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**LMI COORDINATOR**

**KRISTEN JACKPINE**

**LABOUR MARKET INITIATIVE SURVEY**

**LMI COORDINATOR @MISSISSAUGI.COM**

**705 356 1621 EXT 2351**

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## **"QUOTE OF THE WEEK"**

**"you're braver than you believe , stronger than  
you seem, and smarter than you think"**

**~A.A. Mine~**

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**Ontario Works Clients!**

***Don't forget to submit your***

***Direct Deposit Form***

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**IF YOU WERE A CLIENT IN 2023**

**T 5007 Forms are ready for pick-up**

**See Kristen at Niigaaniin**

# Mississauga First Nations

LOCAL AREA - JOB OPPORTUNITIES		
Position	Employer/Location	Closing date
Various Positions Available	Garden River FN	until filled
Various Positions Available	Serpant River FN	until filled
Various Positions Available	Sagamok FN	until filled
Education Assistant	ADSB/Northshore communities	4/30/24
Food Stability Program Director - The Well/Blind River		3/31/24
AZ Truck Driver	L.A. Trucking	4/23/24
Lands and Resource Technican	MFN	3/15/24
Help Desk Technican	NSHN/Blind River/Thessalon/Richards Landing	3/31/24
Admin. Assistant	Town of Blind River	3/7/24
Various positions	Northshore Health Network/Blind River	3/31/24
Various positions	Huron Pines Golf Course/Blind River	3/31/24
Taxi Drivers	Blind River Taxi/Blind River	3/31/24
Labourer	Jacs Masonry	4/30/24
Bricklayer	Jacs Masonry	4/30/24
Resource Worker	MFN Afterschool Program	4/4/24
Summer Student	Canadian Food Inspection/Gov.of Canada/St. Catharines – May to Sept	
Various positions	NOG/various communities	until filled
Various positions	Northshore Health Network	until filled

Other Websites for job postings: Indeed; LinkedIn; Google jobs; Job-Bank.gc.ca; employment solutions

Also: Gas Attendants/Cashiers / Casual Parttime - Broken Canoe /ask for Jacquie

- If you are on OW or EI or not working or need training ISETP's can offer you the following: Apprenticeships; Employment Supports/Startup; wage subsidies; Mobility/relocation assistance; Skills enhancement/Direct Course Purchase; Youth Work Experience; Student Employment; Career and Educational development: Self Employment Assistance \*

**Summer Students – If you like working with Kids and want to share your skills then check with Muskokafoods.com.**

If you need help or assistance, you can call Rob our employment Counsellor at 705-356-1621 ext.2237 but please do not wait for the last minute. Call and make an appointment.

**When applying for any position/job the process involved is: Where do you apply; in person; mail; fax; email or phone. Before applying, please read and follow all the instructions that is required from the employer, or you may be screened out and not get that interview.**







**Position:** Lands & Resources Technician

**Salary:** \$50,366 - \$57,208

**Hours of Work:** 32 hours

**Circulation Level:** Level I

**Accountability:** Lands and Resource Manager

**Employment Status:** Full Time (2 years contract)

**Preferences:** MFN Band Members

**The Lands and Resources Technician will:**

- Assist with the development, implementation and enforcement of Mississauga First Nation Environmental Management Plan and fisheries or wildlife management plans, Mississauga First Nation Lands & Resources Policies and Procedures and Mississauga First Nation Laws pertaining to land issues and to ensure compliance.
- Prepare technical reports including interpretations, assessments and recommendations.
- Participate in workshops on lands and resources or environmental initiatives to the community.
- Assist/Monitor/enforce all Access Permits for camping, hunting & fishing on MFN Lands.
- Assist/Monitor and research all Lands for Sale surrounding Mississauga First Nation for potential Purchase by the MFN Trust and to liaise between Mississauga First Nation, Mississauga First Nation Trust and Real Estate agents.
- Assist in Land Use database design and GIS/GPS applications using ESRI Software.
- Monitor/Assist Forest Management activities such as compliance monitoring, tree marking, boundary marking, harvest inspections.
- Monitor and assist activities that relate to Environmental issues relating to Mississauga Lands (Settlement Lands and Band Owned Lands) including data collection for Mississauga First Nation and Government agreements.
- Monitor/patrol and inspect all First Nation owned lands and buildings with or without Mississauga First Nation Police services.
- Enforce Mississauga First Nation's Dog-Bylaw, Waste Disposal Law and to be able to respond to nuisance bear complaints including trapping, relocating to isolated location.
- Monitor/Assist Mississauga First Nation Fishery requirements, i.e., proper tagging, mesh sizes, DCR's, creel surveys, FWIN and other fishery data collection projects.
- Supervise/assist any future contract forestry crews in Mississauga First Nation engaged contract work as this promotes/creates economic opportunities for our members.

**The Lands & Resources Technician will possess the following qualifications, skills, experiences, and attributes:**

- Post secondary education in relevant Lands and Resources, Geography, and Natural Resource Sciences or equivalent combination of education and experience.
- At least three (1) years working experience with a First Nation or Aboriginal Organization.
- Knowledge of Mississauga First Nation environmental health issues.
- Knowledge of MFN Lands & Resources Department and Mississauga First Nation.
- Knowledge of Mississauga First Nation's Customs and Traditional Values; Knowledge and use of ARCMAP 10.2.
- Knowledge and use of forest mensuration equipment and/or any other associated outdoor equipment and devices/monitors.

**TO APPLY:** Customize your cover letter and resume to the duties, experience, expectations, and qualification listed on the job ad. Using concrete examples, you must show how you demonstrated the requirements for this job. We rely on the information you provide to us in your application during screening. Successful candidates who receive interviews must provide copies of their education qualifications and certifications at the time of interview. Please note that all interviews will be in person. If you are interested in applying you may submit your covering letter, resume and three (3) work related references to:

Mississauga First Nation Attention: Human Resources Department  
P.O. Box 1299 Blind River, Ontario P0R1B0

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EMAIL: [hrclerk@mississaugi.com](mailto:hrclerk@mississaugi.com) FAX: 705-356-1740

**Deadline: March 15, 2024**

*Thank you to all applicants; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.*

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**WALKING IN BALANCE**

A socially and culturally healthy community where individuals have the opportunity to prosper and to achieve their full potential spiritually, emotionally, mentally, and physically through generous and unselfish support for one another, while pursuing balance and harmony within, with each other, and with Mother Earth.



**Position:** Director of Operations

**Salary:** \$98,725 - \$112,186

**Hours of Work:** 32 hours

**Circulation Level:** Level I

**Accountability:** Chief and Council

**Employment Status:** 2 years contract

**Preferences:** MFN Band Members

**The Director of Operations will perform the following duties:**

- Participates in financial resources and policy negotiations with provincial and /or federal and /or municipal departments, ministries and agencies as directed.
- Maintains regular contact with external financial advisors and auditors.
- Oversees finance and administration attendance for hours for payroll.
- Continuously monitors expenditures against the approved budget and recommends budget modifications to Chief and Council as appropriate.
- Provides regular and mandatory reporting on a monthly and annual basis to Chief and Council and Government agencies.
- Ensures that required financial reports respecting external government grants and contributions are prepared and submitted.
- Meets with and consults with Senior Management team on a regular basis collectively and individually.
- Meets with and consults with staff on a regular basis collectively, and individually.
- The Director of Operations shall participate with Chief and Council in developing a vision and strategic plan to guide the Mississauga First Nation in achieving successful results of the overall budgets and financial situations of the Mississauga Band.
- Provide direction and assistance to senior managers regarding human resource issues.
- Conducts employee performance appraisals on senior management, executive assistants on an annual basis.
- Responsible for administration of personnel in accordance with personnel policy/ procedures including monitoring relevant labour laws, drafting of policy amendments, supervisions of personnel records system, and related recommendations to council on recruitment, appeals, compensation, evaluation, and discipline of employees.
- Acts as a role model to other staff in the day-to-day execution of responsibilities of the position.
- Meets with and advises Chief and Council as directed.
- Represents Mississauga First Nation at conferences and forums as directed.
- Meets with and consults with federal and provincial officers responsible for funding as directed.
- Network and develop positive relationships with all levels of government and private sectors to ensure the optimum level of services is being provided to the Mississauga First Nation Band.

**The Director of Operations will possess the following qualifications, skills, experiences, and attributes:**

- Post-secondary graduate of Business Administration or Public Administration.
- Five (5) years of strong finance and management experience.
- Must provide a clear Criminal Reference Check from the Canadian Police Information Center (CPIC) and bondable.
- Must have Class "G" Ontario Driver's License in good standing and be able to travel.
- Must be able to meet deadlines, work flexible hours and/or attend emergency situations.
- Generally accepted auditing standards, principles, and practices.
- Business and audit related software applications and tools, including Microsoft Office.
- Must have knowledge of the Ojibway culture and traditions and significant characteristics of the social structures of Mississauga First Nation.
- Financial management and analysis; An understanding of relevant legislation, governance, policies, and procedures.
- An understanding of the northern and first nation economic, cultural, and political environment.
- Knowledge of Occupational Health and Safety legislation, standards, and best practices.
- Knowledge of the Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System.
- Leading or conducting assessments of complex business processes and operations.
- Relate effectively and supervise staff as a diplomatic and flexible team player.
- Must be able to exercise supervisory responsibility for all staff in a team environment.
- Project management skills that support strategic and operational planning/implementation.
- Experience conducting strategic audits and developing advisory plans.

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- Experience conducting audit projects, preparing audit reports, and providing advice to others.
- Change management skills to introduce innovative approaches to current practices.
- Relationship management skills to maintain relationships with clients and stakeholders, internal and external.
- Express ideas clearly and prepare technical reports and recommendations.
- Must work effectively with management and staff of other programs and/ agencies.
- Provide direction and assistance to all employees through the approved chain of command.
- Ability to oversee department staff and provide guidance, direction, and mentorship.
- Identify areas of improvement and resolve issues in a timely manner.
- Presentation skills to provide explanation of complex issues and strategies.
- An effective leader.
- Strong interpersonal and influencing/negotiation.
- Be honest, trustworthy, and respectful.
- Possess cultural awareness and sensitivity.
- Possess a calm demeanor in responding to customers.
- Demonstrate sound work ethics.

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**Deadline: Until position filled.**

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# **ROBINSON HURON TREATY LITIGATION UPDATE FROM CHIEF & COUNCIL**

Thursday, February 28, 2024

Dear Mississauga First Nation Community,

We are thrilled to share momentous news with you. On February 26, 2024, the Chief Justice of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Honourable Geoffrey B. Morawetz, issued a Partial Judgment affirming our Settlement Agreement for Past Compensation in the RHT litigation.

This judgment signifies a significant step towards justice and reconciliation. It mandates the deposit of \$10.0 Billion compensation by Canada and Ontario within 60 days. This settlement is the first step in holding the Crown accountable for the promise of the Robinson Huron Treaty. Please note that the settlement is characterized as partial because it covers only *past* compensation. What the annuity will be moving forward will continue to be negotiated as we move forward in a renewed relationship.

We extend our deepest gratitude for your support. Together, we have made history and will continue forward with strength and unity.

Sincerely,

*Chief and Council*

*For MFN RHT inquiries contact [RHT@Mississaugi.com](mailto:RHT@Mississaugi.com)*





Robinson Huron Treaty  
LITIGATION FUND

# Robinson Huron Treaty Settlement Update

## *Community Conversations*

*Confidential meeting for all registered citizens or members.*

» **Thursday, March 21, 2024 (Toronto – Central)**  
**11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Toronto**  
**Location TBC**

» **Thursday, March 21, 2024 (Toronto – West)**  
**6 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

**Mississauga/Oakville**  
**Location TBC**



**Join the conversation via Zoom:**  
**[bit.ly/3P5qlqq](https://bit.ly/3P5qlqq)**



**For more information, please contact:**

RHT Enaagadoot  
[RHT@mississaugi.com](mailto:RHT@mississaugi.com)





Hawk Communications App



# MEMBER PORTAL

6 STEP GUIDE TO GET THE APP



## STEP 1

OPEN CAMERA ON DEVICE

## STEP 2



## STEP 3

DOWNLOAD APP  
'Hawk Communications'



## STEP 4 *IMPORTANT STEP!*

OPEN APP & GRANT  
NOTIFICATION PERMISSIONS

## STEP 5

REQUEST AN ACCOUNT

## STEP 6

WAIT FOR CONFIRMATION EMAIL  
ONCE RECEIVED - SIGN INTO APP

**FOR ASSISTANCE CONTACT**  
Cheyenne Corbiere, Communications Coordinator  
Wiindamaagewin@Mississauga.com  
705-261-1104





March 1, 2024



## NOTICE TO VOTE – TRUSTEE ELECTION (2024-2027 TERM)

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## PROPOSAL

**ADVANCE POLL: Thursday, May 16, 2024**

Sports Complex – 43 Park Rd      9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Council Chambers – 64 Park Rd      2:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**MISSISSAUGA FIRST NATION – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**Saturday, May 25, 2024 9:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.**

**PROPOSAL QUESTION:** Do you approve the amendment to Section 13.6, Buying Land of the Trust Agreement, that currently states:

“The Trustees shall buy land, the total purchase price of which is over **\$100,000.00** and which is not Little Chiblow Private Land or Other Private Land, using money from the Capital Account and the total purchase price is more than **\$100,000.00**, only if the purchase of the land has been approved in the same manner as projects or proposals are approved pursuant to Article 5.

YES ☐

**TO**

“The Trustees shall buy land, the total purchase price of which is over, **\$350,000.00** and which is not Little Chiblow Private Land or Other Private Land, using money from the Capital Account and the total purchase price is more than **\$350,000.00**, only if the purchase of the land has been approved in the same manner as projects or proposals are approved pursuant to Article 5.

NO ☐

The Ratification Officer for this proposal vote is Claudette Boyer, who can be reached at the Mississauga Trust Office (64 Park Road, Blind River, ON) at 705-356-1621 ext.2206 or [claudetteb@mississauga.com](mailto:claudetteb@mississauga.com).

For more information on The Mississauga Trust, please visit [mississauga.com/mississauga-trust.html](http://mississauga.com/mississauga-trust.html)



# NOTICE

## 2024 MISSISSAGI TRUST – TRUSTEES ELECTIONS

Notice is hereby given that the Mississagi Trust will move to fill four trustee positions that will be vacant as of May 15, 2024.

Trustee Nominations will be held on **Saturday, March 23, 2024** in the **Council Chambers of the Dreamcatcher's Complex**, 64 Park Road, Mississauga First Nation, between the hours of **10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

An **advance poll** will be held on **Thursday, May 16, 2024** between the hours of **9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** at the **Sports Complex**, 43 Park Road, Mississauga First Nation; and from **2:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** in the **Council Chambers of the Dreamcatcher's Complex**, 64 Park Road, Mississauga First Nation.

The **Trustees election**, will be held on **Saturday, May 25, 2024** between the hours of **9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.** The voting will take place in the **Council Chambers of the Dreamcatcher's Complex**, 64 Park Road, Mississauga First Nation.

### PLEASE NOTE: AS PER ARTICLE 8.6 OF THE TRUST AGREEMENT:

- Four of the Trustees shall be Band Members.  
At least three of the Trustees shall reside on the Reserve.
- Each Trustee must be over the age of thirty at the time he or she becomes a Trustee.
- There is no provision in the Trust Agreement that states one Trustee must be off-Reserve. The four (4) candidates with the highest number of votes, which three of must reside on the Reserve, shall be elected as Trustees for a three-year term.

Mail in ballots will be sent to our off –reserve membership whose address we have on file.

Please contact the Trust Office, ASAP, to update your address.  
705-356-1621 ext.2206 or [claudetteb@mississaugi.com](mailto:claudetteb@mississaugi.com).

*Claudette Boyer*  
Electoral Officer  
March 1, 2024





# GRASSROOTS VISIONARY COMMITTEE GATHERING



FOR THE PEOPLE BY THE PEOPLE AND THE MORE WHO COME TO THIS IN-  
PERSON ONLY GET TOGETHER WILL HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE AND BE  
DECISION MAKERS IN THEIR RIGHT TO HONOUR OUR ANCESTORS,  
OURSELVES AND OUR FUTURE GENERATIONS TO COME...

WHEN: SAT. MAR. 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2024 AT 2:00PM

WHERE: MFN COMMUNITY HALL

WHO: REGISTERED BAND MEMBERS

WHY: TO SHARE RELEVANT INFORMATION, SHARE IN HEALTHY DISCUSSION AND GAIN VALUABLE  
INSIGHT AND PERSPECTIVE WITH MATTERS INVOLVING THE ROBINSON HURON TREATY ANNUITY

*DISCLAIMER: The opinions, thoughts, ideas, and speech on this page are not those of Mississauga First Nation*





**CHI-NAAKINAGEWIN AND THE  
BYLAW OFFICER WOULD LIKE TO  
SEND A FRIENDLY REMINDER THAT  
ALL TRAFFIC SIGNS ON THE FIRST  
NATION ARE TO BE OBEYED. THIS IS  
FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL WHOM  
RESIDE AND WORK WITHIN THE  
COMMUNITY**

*Please drive safely  
and responsibly*





# Membership

## NOTICE TO COMMUNITY

THERE WILL BE NO MEMBERSHIP SERVICES FOR  
THE FOLLOWING DATES

**March 8 to 18, 2024**  
**Annual Leave**

There will be no Membership services during  
this time. Please remember that  
Membership runs by appointment only. I can  
be contacted at  
Phone; 705 356 1621 ext. 2239  
or  
[stacyb@mississauga.com](mailto:stacyb@mississauga.com)

MIIGWETCH





# Apply now for POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION FUNDING

**NEW STUDENT APPLICATION  
DEADLINE: APRIL 15TH**

*Late or incomplete applications will not be eligible for review.*

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Mississauga First Nation (MFN) Education Department provides financial and academic supports for all MFN Band Members who are seeking post-secondary education.

The objective of the Post-Secondary Program is to assist MFN Students to gain a post-secondary education and to graduate with the qualifications & skills necessary to pursue successful and meaningful individual careers.

Eligibility for financial assistance will be based on available funds for the different levels of programming leading to a College Certificate or Diploma, University Undergraduate Degree, Professional Degree, Graduate Degree, Masters or a Doctorate (Ph.D.).



## CONTACT

Denise Payette (She/Her)  
Post-Secondary Administrator  
denisepayette@mississaugi.com





# PRE-APPLICATION *Checklist*

## **SELECTING A POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTION**

Research your chosen degree, diploma or certificate granting programs & institutions. Program must be 1 year (8months) in length or more. Confirm that the institution is on approved list of 'eligible institutions' for the Post-Secondary Student Support Program (PSSSP) funding through Indigenous Services Canada (ISC).

## **APPLYING FOR CHOSEN PROGRAM**

Can apply to public institutions using OntarioColleges.ca, the Ontario Universities' Application Centre (ouac.on.ca) or directly through chosen institution.

*Confirm that chosen program meets the requirements of the MFN Policies & PSSSP funding.*

## **REVIEW POLICIES & BEGIN FUNDING APPLICATION**

Take the time to review MFN Post-Secondary Policies and Procedures which outlines limited funding, eligibility, types of financial assistance available and deadline dates etc.

*Must be a Registered Band Member and on Membership list as of the year applying for funding.*

**MFN Post-Secondary Policies and Procedures  
available at [www.mississaugi.com/post-secondary](http://www.mississaugi.com/post-secondary).**





# *How to apply for* POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION FUNDING



## **Applications Available Online**

The '*New Student Application Form*' and Post-Secondary Policies & Procedures are available at:

[www.mississauga.com/post-secondary](http://www.mississauga.com/post-secondary)



## **Applications Checklist**

- 1) Completed application
- 2) Copy of most recent transcripts
- 3) Copy of Status Card
- 4) Confirmation of Acceptance
- 5) Banking Information (Void Cheque)



## **Applications Due April 15th**

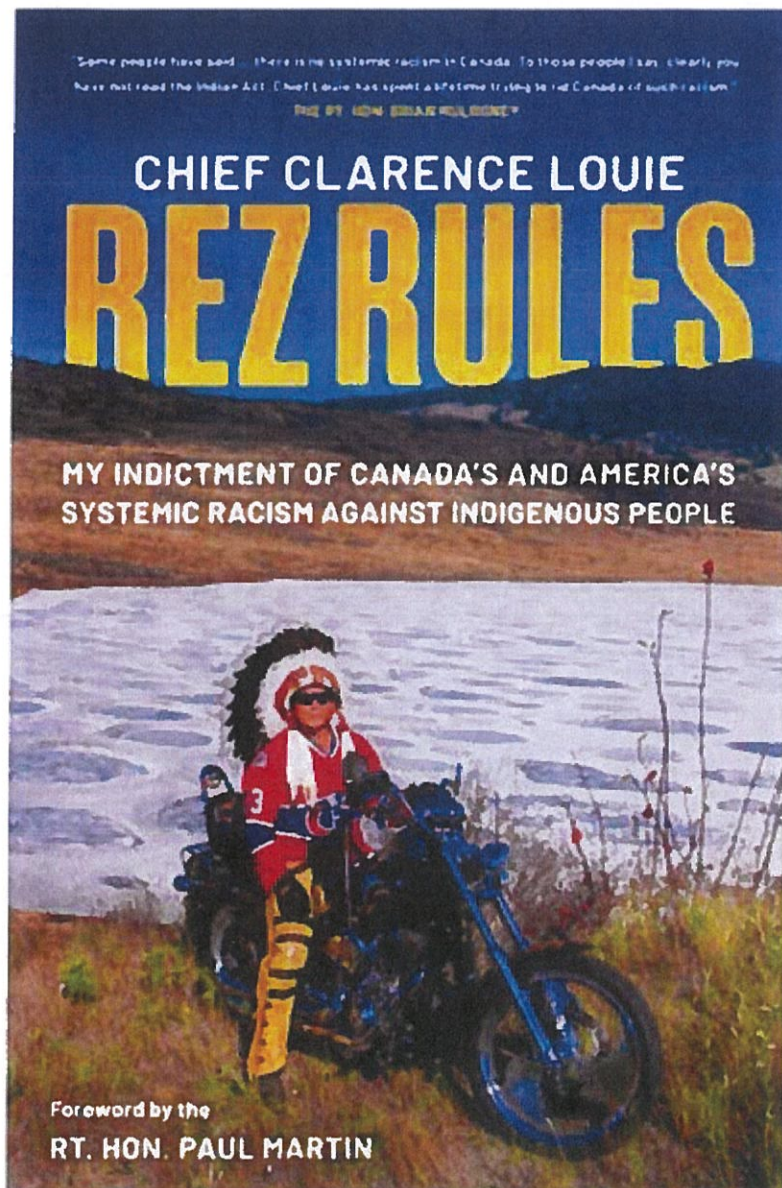
The '*New Student Application Form*' and all required documentation are to be submitted via email to:

[postsecondarystudents@mississauga.com](mailto:postsecondarystudents@mississauga.com)



**APRIL 2024**

# BOOK CLUB



**4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

Starting at 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**EDUCATION BUILDING**

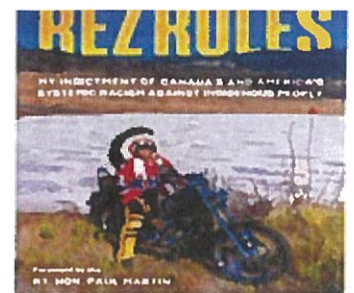
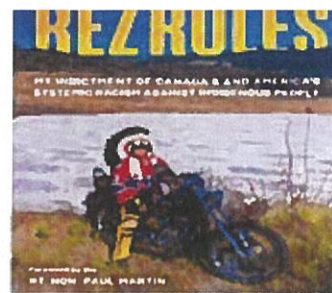
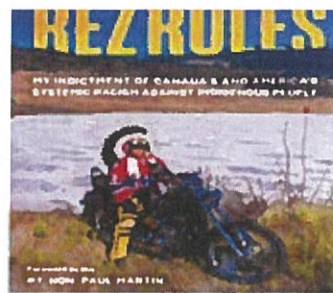
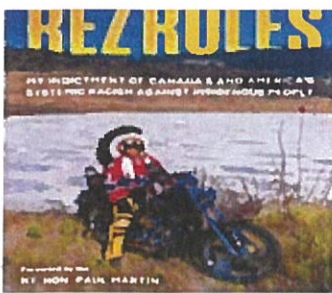
Call Melissa TODAY to register @

705-356-1621 Ext 2303

## NEVER STOP READING

**THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO  
MEET PEOPLE!**





# Joan's book choice!

Rez Rules: My Indictment of Canada's and America's Systemic Racism Against Indigenous People by Chief Clarence Louie is a commonsense blueprint for what the future of First Nations should look like as told by Clarence Louie who, at the age of twenty-four in 1984, was elected Chief of the Osoyoos Indian Band, in the Okanagan Valley. Nineteen elections later, Chief Louie has led his community for nearly four decades. The story of how the Osoyoos Indian Band— “The Miracle in the Desert”—transformed this community that once struggled with poverty into an economic powerhouse is well-known. Even today, guided by his years growing up on the Rez, Chief Louie believes that economic and business independence is key to self-sufficiency, reconciliation, and justice for First Nations people. In Rez Rules, Clarence Louie writes about his youth in Osoyoos, from early mornings working in the vineyards to playing and coaching sports, and attending a largely white school in Oliver, B.C. He remembers enrolling in the “Native American Studies” program at the Saskatchewan Federated Indian College in 1979 (later renamed First Nations University) and falling in love with a collection of books about First Nations history, where reading the old stories and quotes from the famous chiefs—Sitting Bull, Crazy Horse, and Chief Joseph—and learning about the historic significance of treaties was life-changing. And he writes about his first involvement in activism, when he participated in a treaty bundle run across the country to Ottawa, and the path he embarked on when he was elected. Together, he and his band have worked hard to attract business investment, including record levels of employment. Inspired by the youth on his reserve, Chief Louie continues to work for First Nations self-sufficiency and independence. He believes that all First Nations come from “a working culture,” just like his Ancestors once did. Direct and passionate, Chief Louie writes in these pages on wide-ranging subjects: life on the Rez, including Rez language and humour; per capita payments on reserves; elections and the role of elected and hereditary chiefs; the devastating impact of residential schools; the need for First Nations to look to culture and ceremony for governance and guidance; the use by professional sports teams of First Nations names and logos; his love for motorcycle “honour” rides; and what makes a good leader. Throughout, Chief Louie takes aim at systemic racism and examines the relationship between First Nations and colonial Canada and the United States and sounds a call to action for First Nations to: “Indian Up!” and “never forget our past.” Rez Rules describes the fascinating life and legacy of a remarkable leader. It offers leadership lessons for on and off the Rez in a commonsense blueprint for what the future of First Nations should look like. In it, Chief Louie writes, “Damn, I’m lucky to be an Indian!”



Enjiikendaasang  
Learning Centre



Anishinaabe  
Aadziwin  
Manager

# LUNCHEON PRIZE BINGO

Play for grocery prizes and learn Basic Anishinaabemowin  
at the same time.

\*\*\*\*\* NOTICE \*\*\*\*\*

**SPACE IS LIMITED TO 12 PARTICIPANTS  
PLEASE CALL MELISSA OR DANA TO  
REGISTER**

**Bakinaage!**

**Zaagaadonaa  
Anishinaabemowin  
"Love our Language"**

**CONTACT US:**

Melissa Morningstar@  
705-556-1621 Ext 2303  
to learn more stop in at the  
Education Building @  
148 Village Rd

**Aambe gagwe-gikendandaa  
ji-anishinaabemoyang**

**March 14th, 2024**



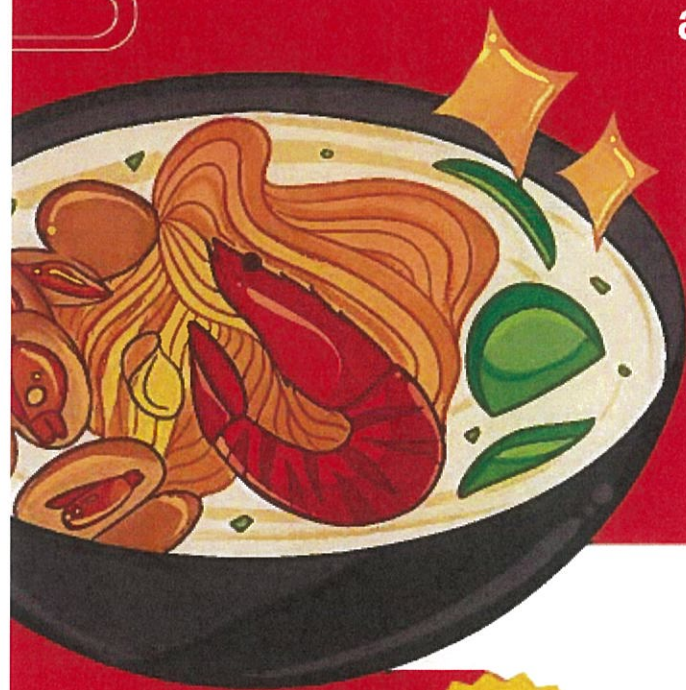
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# SOUP SOCIAL

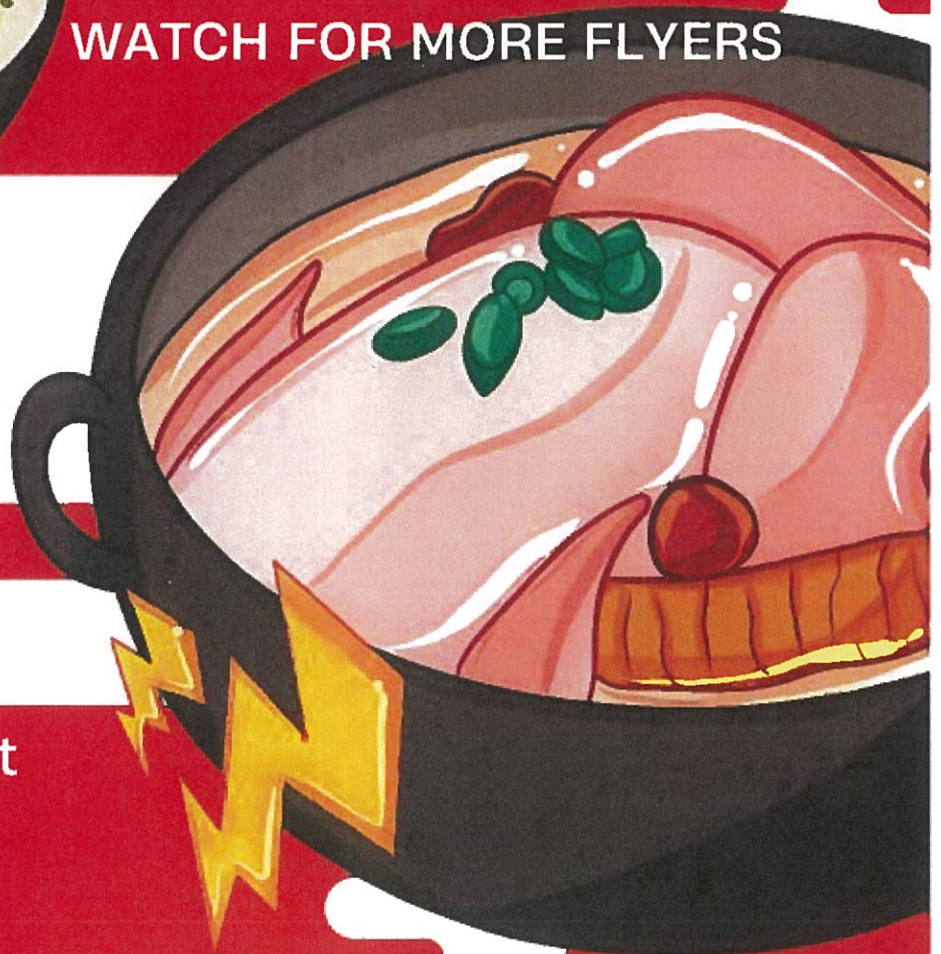
at the Education building

**WILL  
RESUME IN  
APRIL!**

WATCH FOR MORE FLYERS



**Free**



for more info contact

**Melissa @  
Ext 2303**



# Skills for **Success**

These skills are essential  
for learning, work and life.



Reading



Writing



Numeracy



Digital



Problem Solving



Communication



Collaboration



Adaptability



Creativity and  
Innovation

**Skills for Success**  
are the key to help  
you achieve your goals.

Learn more at:

[abcskillsforsuccess.ca](http://abcskillsforsuccess.ca)

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705-356-1621 EXt 2303  
to get started

#SkillsforSuccess





# Skills for Success

These skills are essential for learning, work and life.



## Reading

Find, understand, and use information presented through words, symbols and images.



## Communication

Receive, understand, consider, and share information and ideas through speaking, listening, and interacting with others.



## Writing

Share information using written words, symbols and images.



## Collaboration

Contribute and support others to achieve a common goal.



## Numeracy

Find, understand, use, and report mathematical information presented through words, numbers, symbols, and graphics.



## Adaptability

Achieve or adjust goals and behaviours when expected or unexpected change occurs, by planning, staying focused, persisting, and overcoming setbacks.



## Digital

Use digital technology and tools to find, manage, apply, create and share information and content.



## Creativity and Innovation

Imagine, develop, express, encourage, and apply ideas in ways that are different, unexpected, or challenge existing methods and norms.



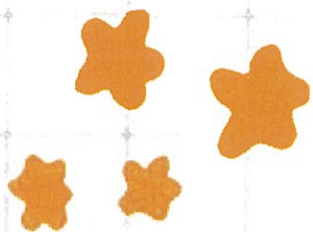
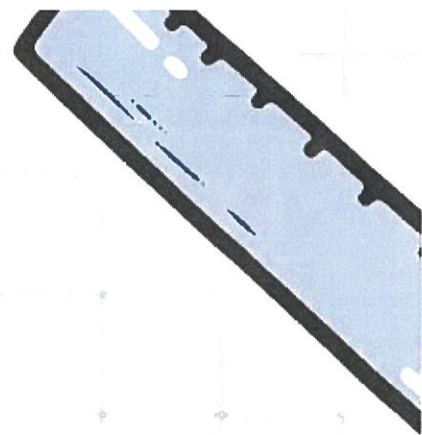
## Problem Solving

Identify, analyze, propose solutions, and make decisions to address issues; monitor success; and learn from the experience.

**Skills for Success are the key  
to help you achieve your goals.**

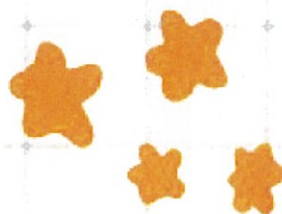
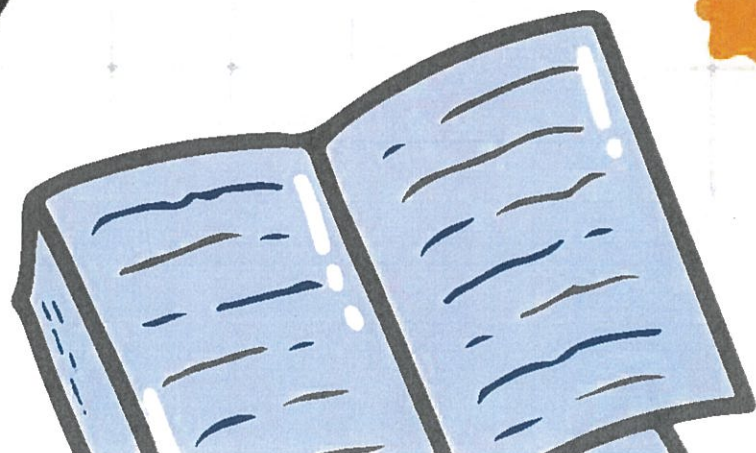
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# ADULT ED

The Adult Education class  
room will be **CLOSED** for  
the March Break  
March 11-15, 2024





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# ***March Break Activities***

***Child and Youth  
Program 7 to 12yrs***

***Monday Mar 11***  
***Swimming at John  
Rhodes public swim***  
***1:15pm-3:00pm***

***Tuesday Mar 12***  
***Science North 9:30am***  
***Pizza Lunch***  
***Urban Air 12:30-4:00***

***Thursday Mar 14***  
***7 Grandfather Teachings***  
***Heritage Lodge***  
***1:00pm to 2:00pm***  
***Cultural Teachings by:***  
***Evelyn Niganobe***  
***2:00 to 4:00pm paint***  
***workshop about***  
***7 Grandfather Teachings***  
***Light snacks and drinks***

**RSVP to Jennifer at**  
**[cyworker@mississauga.com](mailto:cyworker@mississauga.com)**



# Movie

**Mar  
15**

# Night

**Open  
at  
6:30pm**



**Free  
Entry**

**7:00PM**

## KUNG FU PANDA 4

## Blind River Maple Cinema

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RSVP [JENNIFER.CYWORKER@MISSISSAUGI.COM](mailto:JENNIFER.CYWORKER@MISSISSAUGI.COM)  
IF TRANSPORTATION IS NEEDED INCL. IN EMAIL



*MEN YOUTH PROGRAMMING EVENTS*

# MARCH BREAK

**PROGRAMMING**

*AGES 13-18*

**MONDAY, MARCH 11**

**10:00 AM - 4:30 PM**

**SWIMMING IN SSM**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 12**

**7:30 AM - 4:30 PM**

**SUDBURY TRIP SCIENCE  
NORTH/URBAN AIR**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13**

**10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

**CANADA REVENUE  
AGENCY INFO SESSION**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 14**

**9:00 AM - 4:30 PM**

**BEADING DROP IN**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 15**

**9:00 AM - 4:30 PM**

**GYM DROP IN**

ALL PROGRAMS ARE FREE TO ATTEND, TRANSPORTATION & MEALS ARE PROVIDED.  
PLEASE REGISTER IN ADVANCE FOR TRIPS AS WAIVERS MUST BE SIGNED.



DILLON OMINIKA



YOUTHCOORDINATOR@MISSISSAUGI.COM



# March Break Youth Events Programming



**Monday 11th, 2024**  
**Public Swim**



**John Rhodes, Sault Ste. Marie**

**Departing From Band Office**

**10:00 AM - 4:30 PM**

**Lunch Provided**

**For Youth Ages 13-18**

**For More Information & To Register**

**Contact: Dillon Ominika**

**[youthcoordinator@mississauga.com](mailto:youthcoordinator@mississauga.com)**





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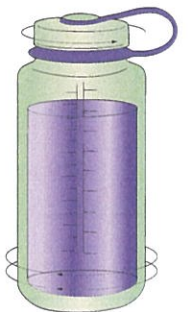
***TUESDAY 12TH, 2024***



**SCIENCE  
NORTH**



**SCIENCE  
NORD**



***Departing from Band Office***

***7:30AM - 6:00 PM***

***Breakfast/Lunch Provided***

***To Register Please Contact: Dillon Ominika***

***jennifer jenson 705-356-1621 ext:3260***

**YOUTH PROGRAMMING**

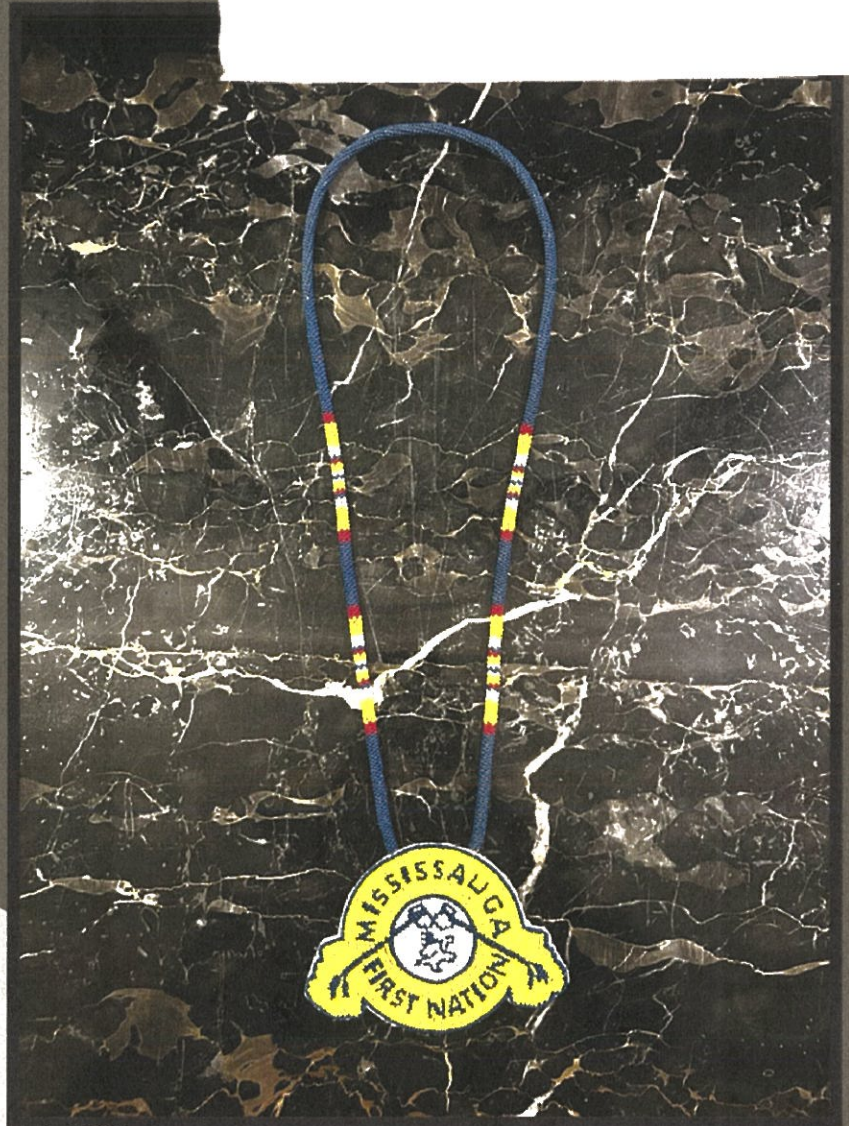
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# MARCH BREAK YOUTH EVENTS PROGRAMMING THURSDAY 14TH, 2024

## COME START YOUR OWN PROJECT

MEDALLION MAKING - EARRINGS  
NECKLACES - REGALIA BEADWORK



## BEADING DROP IN

For More Information:  
Please Contact Dillon Ominika  
[youthcoordinator@mississauga.com](mailto:youthcoordinator@mississauga.com)



YOUTH PROGRAMMING  
AGES 13-18



**JOIN US FOR MOMMY & ME SUPPORT  
GROUP**

**MARCH 12, 2024**

**START AT 11:00 AM**

At the Child & Youth Building

Mommy & Me provides the opportunity to get out of the house, meet other mothers and share the highs and lows of motherhood

This month we will be making baby tie blankets



To participate please call or email Christine Owl  
@ 705-356-1621 ext. 225 or email:  
[christine@mississaugi.com](mailto:christine@mississaugi.com)



Family Resource Coordinator  
Prenatal and Families with children 0-6 yrs

## Traditional cooking with our Elders



Date: Mar. 18/24

Time: 10-1

Where: Child &  
Youth Building

Corn soup and blueberry  
scone desert

To participate please call or email Christine ASAP so appropriate  
arrangements can be made.

705-356-1621 ext. 2254

[christine@mississauga.com](mailto:christine@mississauga.com)



Cultural Support Services

**March 20, 2024 | 10 am**

# **World Water Day**

## **with Marie Eshkibok Trudeau**

Come Join Us to Hear Water Teachings and do  
Tobacco Offerings to the Water Spirits. Let's  
Celebrate and Honour Nbii!

Bring your Drums, Shakers, and Semaa

Dress for the Weather

Lunch will be Provided

**at the Cultural Building**

please call Evelyn or Cedar at

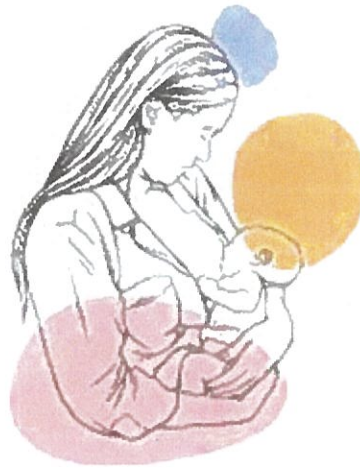
705-356-1621 ext. 2360



Family Resource Coordinator

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## Presentation and Questions: The end of our Breastfeeding Journey



Lunch and Learn

Activity Room Band Office

**NEW DATE**

**March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**12:00-1:00**

With Hayley Horton — North Channel Midwifery

Please call or email Christine Owl to confirm your participation.

705-356-1621 ext. 2254 or email: [christine@mississauga.com](mailto:christine@mississauga.com)





CULTURAL SUPPORT SERVICES

# *Gathering of Pipes and Pipe Carriers*

## THE SPRING EQUINOX

WE HONOUR THIS TIME OF YEAR AS IT  
REPRESENTS NEW BEGINNINGS AND  
REBIRTH

**THE CULTURAL BUILDING**

**MARCH 21, 2024**

**8:00 am**

please call Evelyn or Cedar at  
705-356-1621 ext. 2360



CULTURAL SUPPORT SERVICES

# **LEARN ANISHINAABEMOWIN WITH MIKE BISSON**

Our language is so important and  
needs to be brought back! Come  
join us and learn the language.

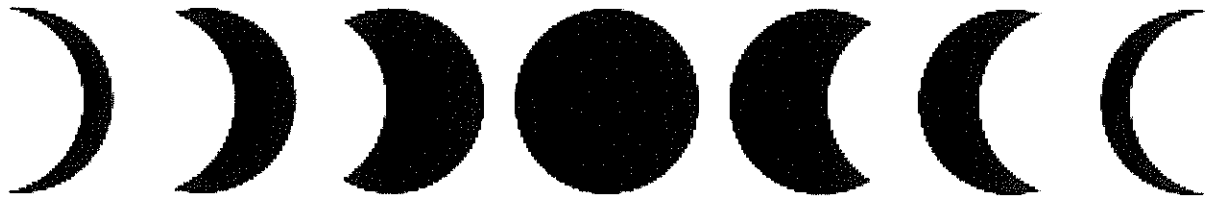
Don't forget to bring a notebook  
and pen!



**MARCH 26 | 6 PM  
CULTURAL BUILDING**

**please call Evelyn or Cedar at 705-356-1621 ext. 2360**





*Cultural Support Services*

**ANISHINAABEKWE  
FEASTING OUR  
BUNDLES AND  
FULL MOON  
CEREMONY**

March 27, 2024 | 6 pm  
Cultural Building

It's time to feast our drums, shakers,  
and feathers! Birthing drums also

**This month we are honouring the  
Snowcrust Moon, Naabdin Giizis**

Pot Luck Style To Share

please call Evelyn or Cedar  
at 705-356-1621 ext. 2360

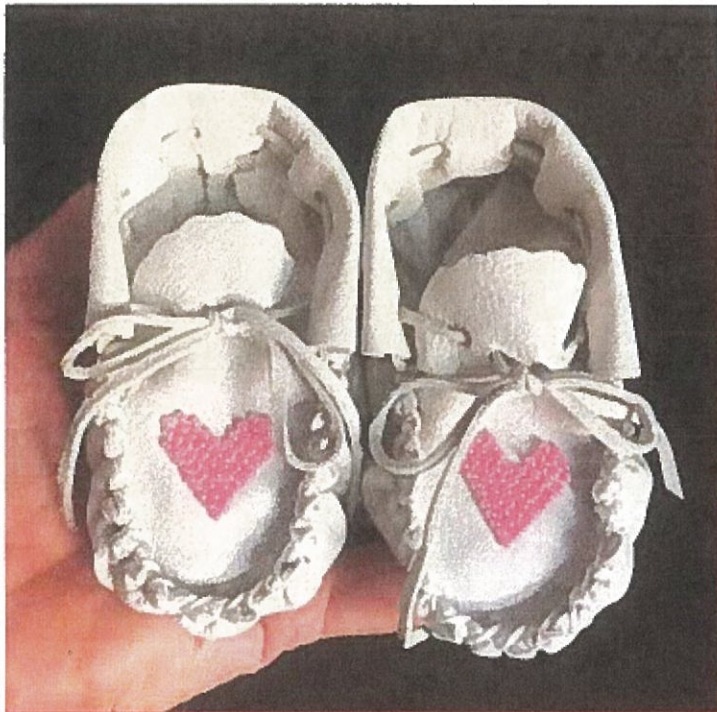
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Mississauga First Nation  
Family Resource Coordinator

COME OUT AND MAKE YOUR LITTLE ONE  
SOME MOCCASIN 0-6 YRS

NEW DATE  
March 27 2024  
Child & Youth Building  
10:00-2:00



Sally will be there to  
assist every step of the  
way. You will be going  
home with your  
moccasins

all material supplied

Lunch and refreshments provided

To participate please call or email Christine Owl at: 705-356-1621 ext. 2254  
or email: [christine@mississaugi.com](mailto:christine@mississaugi.com)



# MISSISSAUGA MICHIGAN SAC

## DRUMMING

5:30 - 6:30PM

FEB

08, 22

MAR

7, 21

APR

4, 18

MAY

2, 16, 30

JUN

13, 27

For more information email:  
[skycada@mississauga.com](mailto:skycada@mississauga.com)





LIGHTING THE  
**SACRED  
FIRE**

WE WILL BE  
LIGHTING THE  
SACRED FIRE FOR  
MFN COMMUNITY.

COME PRAY, STAY,  
TALK OR JUST  
ENJOY THE FIRE.

THURSDAYS  
OUTSIDE THE  
CULTURE BUILDING  
- 96 PARK ROAD

9:00 AM TO 3:00  
PM

**MORE INFORMATION**

SKY CADA - 705-261-1370  
[SKYCADA@MISSISSAUGI.COM](mailto:SKYCADA@MISSISSAUGI.COM)



# **WELLNESS THURSDAY'S**

Starting Thursday, January 25th, we will be starting a 7-week Luncheon session on The Seven Grandfather Teachings. Roger Daybutch will facilitate the sessions. Happening in the Culture building @ 12 PM

## **EVERYONE IS WELCOME**

If you have any questions contact Sky Cada at 705-356-1621 ext 2228 or email [skycada@mississauga.com](mailto:skycada@mississauga.com)





AL-ANON

AL- ANON meeting

Have you or a family member been  
affected by another's drinking or drug  
addiction?

Please come out and join us at the  
Cultural Building - 96 Park Road - to find  
out what AL-ANON can do to help you.

Meeting Day/Time:

Monday - 6:00 - 7:00 PM

There you will find a fellowship of others  
who share your same challenges

Light Refreshments provided





# **NA** **MEETINGS**



**"AT ANY GIVEN MOMENT YOU HAVE THE  
POWER TO SAY THIS IS NOT HOW MY STORY  
ENDS"**

**NA meetings happen Tuesday's at 7:00 PM  
in the Culture Centre.**

**Light refreshments will be provided.**

**\$20.00 Tim Hortons gift card drawn  
monthly.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

**[skycada@mississauga.com](mailto:skycada@mississauga.com)**





# ATTENTION



**IF YOU HAVE A NALOXONE  
KIT PLEASE CHECK THE  
EXPIRY DATE**



See Krysta Sawyer or Sky Cada to get a new kit. If you have any questions feel free to contact 705-356-1621 ext. 2231 or 2228



# Colon Cancer Lunch & Learn

colon cancer affects both men & women  
know the signs & get screened  
early detections leads to better outcomes

March  
13/2024

12 - 1 p.m.

Door prize  
to be won!



Activity  
room -  
64 Park Rd

Register by  
calling 705-356-  
1621 x 2231 or  
by e-mail:  
krystasawyer@  
mississauga.com





# Footcare

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**For Diabetic community  
members**

**FRIDAY MARCH 22ND**

**9:00-4:00 P.M.**

**RED PINE LODGE**

PLEASE BOOK APPOINTMENT WITH  
CHELSEA AT 356-1621 EXT. 2203 OR  
[CHELSEAGRIMARD@MISSISSAUGI.COM](mailto:CHELSEAGRIMARD@MISSISSAUGI.COM)





MISSISSAUGA FIRST NATION  
Health Services Presents..

# Men's/Boy's Wellness Day.

SUPPORTING MEN'S/BOY'S HEALTH

**MEN and YOUNG MEN TRIP**

**SOO GREYHOUNDS VS. KITCHENER RANGERS**

**SUNDAY MARCH 24th, 2024**

**BUS LEAVES AT 10:30 a.m**

**FROM THE BAND OFFICE**



**TRANSPORTATION, LUNCH AND TICKETS PROVIDED**

**For those who already registered, if you would like more information  
please contact:**

**Krysta Sawyer 705-356-1621 ext. 2231**



MISSISSAUGA FIRST NATION  
HEALTH SERVICES

# MONTHLY DIABETIC CLINIC

If you are diabetic, and would like to book an appointment with the team;

*We are offering 1 on 1 appointments with the Health Staff*

Nurse Practitioner  
Community Health Nurse  
Diabetic Nurse Educator  
Registered Dietitian

**NEXT CLINIC DATE - MARCH 27, 2024**

**FROM: 10AM-3PM**

**MISSISSAUGA HEALTH CENTRE**

Please email Chelsea Grimard - [chelseagrimard@mississauga.com](mailto:chelseagrimard@mississauga.com)  
or call 705-356-1621 EXT 2203 to book your appointment



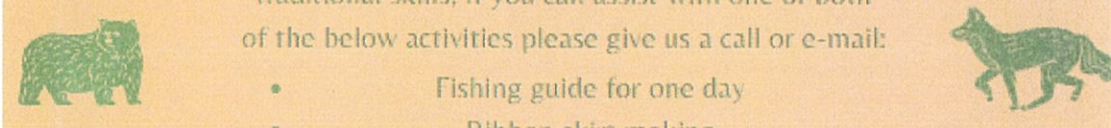


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## LOOKING FOR A COMMUNITY MEMBER


Looking for someone to teach the two Northern  
Ontario School of Medicine students some  
traditional skills, if you can assist with one or both  
of the below activities please give us a call or e-mail:

- Fishing guide for one day
- Ribbon skirt making

Two small, stylized illustrations: a bear on the left and a wolf on the right, both facing right.

HONORARIUM WILL BE PROVIDED  
DEADLINE TO APPLY: MARCH 31/2024

CALL 705-356-1621 X 2231 OR E-MAIL:  
KRYSTASAWYER@MISSISSAUGI.COM

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# HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

## **The Health Services Department is currently seeking NEW Committee Members for the Term 2024-2027.**

Membership of the Health Services Committee is open to all community members over **18 years of age**, knowledgeable and have skills that will benefit the Committee and Community.

The Health Services Committee is a committed group of **eight (8)** community members appointed by Chief & Council and Health Services staff who advise Chief & Council on health-related activities. The committee also serves to guide and support all activities pertaining to Health Services.

The responsibilities of the Health Services Committee are as follows:

- To act as an advisory to Chief and Council on Health related issues
- To make informed recommendations and motions to Chief and Council
- To recommend new or amended policies to Chief and Council with the assistance of the Health Services Director
- To act as an appeal mechanism for Band Members as the issue relates to health services policies
- To act as a forum for community members to access information
- To actively participate in all committee meetings and committee sponsored events
- To develop and implement objectives each new term to meet the goals of the committee

Monthly meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of every month, except July, August & December.

Supper from 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Meeting from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Emergency meetings may be called as required.

Honorarium stipend.

Please send letter of interest no later than **Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 by 4:00 p.m.** to:

Yvonne Lafreniere- Health Services Director  
Mississauga First Nation  
P.O Box 1299  
Blind River, ON  
P0R 1B0  
E: hsdirector@mississaugi.com



# March 2024



## SERVICE SCHEDULE Mississauga First Nation

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
				1	2	3
4 NP clinic Cheri-CCC Pat. T – Trad. Practitioner	5 NP clinic ORT Cheyenne-MHC Cheri-CCC	6 NP clinic Cheri-CCC	7 NP clinic MD clinic AM Cheri-CCC Carla B.-COHI	8 Terri-MHC	9	10
11 NP clinic Cheri -CCC	12 NP clinic ORT Cheyenne-MHC Cheri-CCC	13 NP clinic Cheri-CCC Joby-RD	14 NP clinic MD clinic AM Cheri-CCC	15 Terri-MHC	16	17
18 NP clinic Cheri -CCC	19 NP clinic ORT Cheyenne-MHC Cheri-CCC	20 NP clinic Cheri-CCC Joby-RD	21 NP clinic MD clinic AM Cheri-CCC	22 Terri-MHC	23	24
25 NP clinic Cheri -CCC	26 NP clinic ORT Cheyenne-MHC Cheri-CCC	27 NP clinic Cheri-CCC Jessica- DNE Joby-RD	28 NP clinic MD clinic Cheri-CCC	29 Terri-MHC	30	31

Dr. Mark Deverell – Physician  
Nurse Practitioner

**Appointments with Physicians, NPs, Dietitian, and DNE  
can be made through MFN's Health Centre: 705-356-  
1621 ext. 2224**

Please contact Maamwesying's Head Office: 1-705-844-2021 if  
you are looking for information on how to book an appointment  
with another service provider listed here.

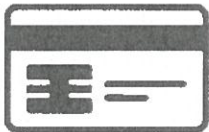




# **NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENT CARD FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN 0-6 YRS AND PRENATAL**

\*listed is the pick up date, please email the Family Resource Coordinator by the 7 of this month to ensure a card is purchased for that month

Pick up dates:



**March 13 2024**

**from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM including lunch hour**

**\* As a requirement of the program, receipts will need to be submitted before the next card pick up.**

**Please remember it is your responsibility to pick up on date unless other arrangements have been made.**

**Please note, you can not accumulate cards**

**Thank you**

If you have any questions or concerns please email Christine Owl -  
Family Resource Coordinator

email: [christine@mississauga.com](mailto:christine@mississauga.com)





## MFN Food Security Reminders

This is a gentle reminder that all MFN food applications must be handed in before Wednesday by 4:30pm, please ensure all requested information is completed on the application. Applications received after this date/time, will be considered late, and will result in Friday pickup of your food box. We need to be consistent and fair to those who do submit on time.

There are no delivery services to those who apply, as we do not have the available resources to do so. Pick up time is on Thursday from 10am-3pm.

Please use the newest application forms, so that you are asking for things we have in stock.

- One box per household
- If you miss Thursday food box pick-up you will have until Friday to do so, hours will be 9am to 12 noon only.

Please feel free to contact me during work hours at (705)261-0673 or at [daniellecada@mississauga.com](mailto:daniellecada@mississauga.com) if you have any donations or questions regarding our program.

Miigwetch – Food Security Program



## MFN Food Security Program

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Pick up only # children \_\_\_\_\_ # adults \_\_\_\_\_ # elders \_\_\_\_\_

Names of all household Members: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please submit your forms before 4:30 Wednesday**

**Pick up is Thursday from 10:00am - 3:00pm**

\*Please note that if items are not in your box, it is because we are out of stock, on back order or not able to purchase from distributor. Also, make sure to fill out your correct information, so that we may properly serve you and your family.

<b>Cereals (1 only):</b> Cold Cereal    Cooking Oats    Cream of Wheat	<b>Meats (2 only-one of each)</b> Hamburger    Chicken
<b>Breads (1 only):</b> White Bread    Brown Bread    Flour	<b>Canned Meats (1 only):</b> Tuna    Salmon
<b>Pasta &amp; Rice (1 only):</b> Penne    Rice    Macaroni	<b>Dairy Products (2 only):</b> Powdered Milk    Canned Milk    Margarine Eggs
<b>Soups (3 only):</b> Chicken Noodle    Tomato    Vegetable	<b>School Aged Children Only (2 Choices):</b> Pudding    Cookies    Wagon Wheels
<b>Hygiene Products:</b> Toilet Paper    Hand Sanitizer	<b>Children &amp; Elders Only (2 Choices):</b> Mr. Noodles Chicken    Mr. Noodles Beef Frozen Berries
<b>Other Products (3 only):</b> White Sugar    Brown Sugar Peanut Butter    Ketchup Crackers    Tea Mustard    Decaf Coffee Pepper    Instant Coffee Salt	<b>Other Products (3 only):</b> Kidney Beans    Tomato Paste Diced Tomatoes    Spaghetti Sauce Canned Navy Beans    Canned Chick Peas Red Lentils    Frozen Vegetables Green Lentils
<b>Other (Once A Month):</b> Icing Sugar    Vinegar	

**Please bring in, or call (705)261-0673 for pick-up of any containers with lids, or boxes you may have.**

**Thank you 😊**    Revised for March 2024