

Introducing the Indigenous Culture Based Learning Website in Alberta Curriculum



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Learning Opportunity

Join Jason and Kim to learn how the <https://indigenouisculturebasedlearning.ca/> website can be used within your classroom, your planning, and to deepen your own knowledge and understanding of Nehiyaw (Cree) ways of knowing and being. Explore the rich content that includes general knowledge videos; videos that follow seasonal activities and events; videos and PDFs of stories and legends; curriculum documents with direct links between outcomes and videos; planning samples, instructional supports, and much more. Learn about the **Foundations of Cree Ways of Knowing and Being** that serve as your starting point in planning.

Presenters

Kim Barker-Kay

Kim Barker-Kay is currently a consultant with the Northwest Regional Learning Consortium. Previously, Kim was a teacher, principal, and researcher in northern Alberta. Her work and research evolved into a focus on building educational equity. She spent many years involved in diversity leadership training with the National Coalition Building Institute. Additionally, Kim had the unique experience as the protege of a Cree Elder for ten years. As a principal, Kim was able to put all she learned into practice with favorable results in student achievement. She learned first hand the

complexities involved in building educational equity which have led her to her current journeys with infusing Indigenous knowledge into new curriculum, as well as doing a deeper exploration into decolonization and anti-racism work.

Jason Bigcharles

Tansi, Wapastim N'Sihkasoon. Hello, my name is White Horse. My colonized name is Jason Bigcharles. I am a father of 7 and grandfather of 17. I am proudly Metis from the Metis settlement of East Prairie. I have lived in the East Prairie Metis Settlement my whole life thus far. I have been a teacher for 20+ years and taught various grade levels before moving into educational leadership for the past 13 years. Although I am Metis, my family is deeply rooted in Cree cultural practice and spiritualism. We continue to maintain a very high subsistence lifestyle, carrying on those traditions. Currently I am an Independent Education Consultant specializing in FNMI content and curriculum. I have specialized experience in administering Culture-Based-Learning Camps and cultural teachings to students of all ages which focus on traditional Land-Based teachings of the Woodland Cree Peoples and Metis both traditional and contemporary while infusing curriculum into lessons. I am a powwow dancer, storyteller, hunter, trapper and medicinal plant gatherer and knowledge keeper. Most of my time, aside from work, is spent on the land hunting, trapping, gathering medicinal plants, passing on teachings and visiting elders. Along with being dedicated to my traditions and spiritualism, I am also dedicated to lifelong learning and the belief that learning never stops. K'ninaskomitin (I am grateful, and my spirit is lifted by you)
