

# Turtle River School Division Student Registration Form



Office Use

Entry Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Day/Year

School

MET Number

Student Number

Date

Information to be entered by Student's Parents/Guardians – PLEASE NOTIFY SCHOOL IF ANY INFORMATION CHANGES

## Student Information (Please Print)

Please fill in and return to the school as soon as possible.

Legal Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Verified  
Month/Day/Year

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Second Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name Known by \_\_\_\_\_

Language(s) Spoken at Home: ☐ English ☐ Oji-Cree ☐ French ☐ Other (please list) \_\_\_\_\_

Previous School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Grade Completed: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Registering In: \_\_\_\_\_

Treaty Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Band Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Student Mailing Address

Apt. Number/Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Community/Town/Village/City: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Section/township/range \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Bus Driver: \_\_\_\_\_ (if known)

## Family - Pre-School/School Age Siblings

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gr. \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gr. \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gr. \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

**The local public health nurses on occasion will be requesting individual student information for their program.**

- ☐ I give consent to share this information with the local public health authority  
☐ I don't consent to sharing

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### Parent/Legal Guardian and Contact Information

Legal Custody ☐ Joint ☐ Mother ☐ Other (please note) \_\_\_\_\_  
(only if applicable) ☐ Father ☐ Guardian ☐ Agency (please note) \_\_\_\_\_

Custody / Access notes:

**Student lives with:** **Mother/Father**

**Parent or Legal Guardian** First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Address if different from above: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Other Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or Legal Guardian** First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Address if different from above: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Other Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Emergency Contact** *(if parent/guardian cannot be reached)*

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

City/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Other phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Billet** - Name of town billet (friend or relative that lives in town where child can stay in case of a storm: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

### **Medical Information**

Personal Health I.D. Number \_\_\_\_\_ Manitoba Health Registration Number \_\_\_\_\_

Health Concerns/Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Indigenous Identification Declaration**

### **Indigenous Identity Declaration Authorization and Statement of Understanding**

*Indigenous Identity Declaration helps to support the efforts of Manitoba Education and Training and school divisions to plan and improve programs in a way that is responsive to Indigenous learners. (Providing this personal information is voluntary and optional. It is being collected in compliance with section 36(1)(b) of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act as it is necessary for and relates directly to the activity of Manitoba and school divisions to plan, deliver and improve programs.)*

1. I, \_\_\_\_\_, (name of parent/guardian, please print clearly):

- ☐ Am submitting my child's Indigenous Identity Declaration for the first time
- ☐ Am making changes to my child's Indigenous Identity Declaration
- ☐ Already submitted my child's Indigenous Identity Declaration and have no further changes to make at this time.

2. Is your child an Indigenous person, that is, First Nation (North American Indian), Métis, or Inuk (Inuit)?

Note: First Nations (North American Indian) include Status and Non-Status Indians

If "Yes", mark the square(s) that best describe(s) your child now:

- ☐ Yes, First Nation (North American Indian)
- ☐ Yes, Métis
- ☐ Yes, Inuk (Inuit)

3. Which best describes your child's Indigenous cultural-linguistic identity?

Please select up to two choices:

- ☐ Anishinaabe (Ojibway/Saulteaux)
- ☐ Ininiw
- ☐ Dene (Sayisi)
- ☐ Dakota
- ☐ Oji-Cree
- ☐ Michif
- ☐ Inuktitut
- ☐ Other-please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**Identification of Children that are Eligible for URIS Group B Health Care Support**

**Unified Referral and Intake System (URIS)**

The Unified Referral and Intake System (URIS) is a provincial program that assists community programs in providing a safe and supportive environment for children with special health care needs. It is managed by an interdepartmental committee that includes representatives from the Departments of Health, Healthy Living and Seniors, Family Services and Education and Advanced Learning, with input from others with appropriate expertise.

**Classification of Health Care Needs**

URIS provides a standard means of classifying the complexity of health care needs/interventions and establishes the level of qualification required by staff that supports the child.

- **Group A** - health care procedures that are complex and must be performed by a registered nurse.
- **Group B** - health care needs that can be delegated to non-health-care personnel that are trained and monitored by a registered nurse.

**Identifying a child with URIS Group B health care needs**

It is the community program's responsibility to identify children that have a URIS Group B health care need(s).

**Individual Health Care Plans (IHCP)**

An Individual Health Care Plan (IHCP) is completed when the child is eligible for one or more of the following URIS Group B health care needs.

**Please indicate (✓) all health care needs that apply to your child:**

- ☐ Anaphylaxis
- ☐ Asthma
- ☐ Bleeding disorder
- ☐ Cardiac condition
- ☐ Clean intermittent catheterization
- ☐ Diabetes
- ☐ Endocrine Conditions
- ☐ Gastrostomy care
- ☐ Osteogenesis imperfecta
- ☐ Ostomy care
- ☐ Pre-set oxygen
- ☐ Seizure disorder
- ☐ Suctioning (oral/nasal)

***If you have checked any of the above health care needs, the school will provide you with information on services available from the Unified Referral and Intake System (URIS).***

**Helpful Tip**

*If a doctor has not prescribed medication for asthma (i.e. reliever medication) or anaphylaxis (i.e. adrenaline auto-injector), the child is NOT eligible for URIS Group B service. The child must also bring this medication to community program to be eligible for URIS Group B support.*

**Informed Consent**

(Media, Student Work, Electronic Communication, and Computer and Internet Usage)

**Electronic Communication – Student usage of division email and sharing of information through email (e.g. Newsletters, etc.)**

As students complete activities and assignments, they are expected to submit and communicate electronically with email. Email is an important 21st century skill that students need to learn to use effectively in order to prepare them for the world. Being efficient in using email as a form of electronic communication is expected of students in our schools. Students are required to be able to submit work and communicate using email.

The division is able to provide students with an email for educational use. Students are obliged to follow the division policy regarding the “proper usage” of division email and may be required by teachers to use as a way of submitting work and assignments.

☐ **I give Consent**☐ **I do not give Consent**

As a parent/guardian I allow schools and the division to communicate with me electronically. The electronic distribution (email) of newsletters, school updates and announcements regarding division and school activities, events and news (including fundraising and promotions).

☐ **I give Consent**☐ **I do not give Consent**

to receive information electronically and will provide my email below.

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Media – Television, Radio, Internet Media, and Divisional Video Productions**

As your child grows and learns, they will have the opportunity to participate in many amazing activities and experiences in our schools. We would like to share these positive experiences with the broader community by inviting journalists and other members of the media to visit our schools. Photographs, videotaping or interviews are allowed at schools only with the permission of the principal.

☐ **I give Consent**☐ **I do not give Consent**

**for my son/daughter (or myself as an adult student) being photographed, videotaped/recorded or interviewed by the media.**

**Computer and Internet Usage – Student Usage of School Computers for completing school work and the Usage of the Internet for Research and Educational Purposes**

Turtle River School Division recognizes the educational benefits of computer technology and internet access. Technology is promoted as a valuable instructional learning tool that enhances the ability of teachers to provide new and exciting learning opportunities for students. Students are supervised while using computers, the Internet, and any Information and Communication Technology (ICT). Students are taught the necessary skills to use technology and the internet in a proper manner.

I understand and will follow the guidelines as set in the division policy and school handbooks in regards to the Appropriate Use of Computers and Communication Devices. This includes the use of the Internet; including social media, text messaging and instant messaging and other forms of online communication and sharing platforms and resources that are provided by the Turtle River School Division networked computers. Access to computers and the Internet is for educational purposes as set out in the Turtle River School Division Policy. I further understand that should I commit any violation, my access privileges may be revoked and disciplinary action and/or appropriate legal action may be taken as deemed necessary. As the parent/guardian of the student, I have read the regulations for the Appropriate Use of Information Communication Technology (ICT) and the Use of Personal Communication Devices.

☐ **I give Consent**

☐ **I do not give Consent**

for my son/daughter (or myself as an adult student) to use school computers, have access to the internet, and use any of their own personal devices.

Print Name of Parent/Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Student (Grades 7-12 Only): \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Work, Photographs, and School Promotion – Publish and Display  
(School Display, Newsletters, Yearbook, Newspapers, Division/School Webpages and Social Media)**

Our school would like to share information and communicate with parents/guardians by highlighting the school; students and student work or activities in a variety of publications and/or Division organized or sponsored event(s). It will allow us to share with you the parent/legal guardian about some of the highlighted activities, work and projects your child is participating in at school. This will also showcase our school to the community and general public. Some examples of sharing include but are not limited to:

- Publication of their work (referenced appropriately) in school and division publications as printed or posted on division/school websites (*e.g. Writing compilations, submission for contests, modelling and sharing in schools, other educational purposes, etc.*).
- School or Division publications (newsletters, articles, webpages, community reports, etc.)
- Local newspaper submitted articles
- Sharing on division social media platforms (e.g. Twitter, Facebook)
- Displayed work in schools and the division office ( in the hallways, classrooms, and at various presentations and events)

***\* Please note: Student photographs posted to Turtle River School Division websites will not identify students by full name (only first name)***

☐ **I give Consent**

☐ **I do not give Consent**

to the Turtle River School Division to publish or show my child's, or my (as an adult student) photographs, name, grade, school and samples of my or my child's work in various publications and/or at a Division organized or sponsored event. I understand that photographs of students posted to the school or Turtle River School Division website will not identify students by full name.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

This personal information is being collected under the authority of The Public Schools Act for School related purposes. It is protected by the Protection of Privacy provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Personal Health Information Act. If you have any questions about the collection, please contact your school principal.

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## Request for Bus Transportation

The Public Schools Act requires school divisions to provide transportation to all students living within their division boundaries. There are occasions where some students wish to attend schools in another division. In order to address the transportation of these students in adjoining divisions Turtle River School Division has adopted the enclosed policy. This policy is intended to provide educational services in the most cost effective manner for the taxpayers of Manitoba.

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**Please complete this form and return to:**      Transportation Department  
Turtle River School Division  
Box 309  
McCreary, MB R0J 1B0

<u>Name of Student(s)</u>	<u>Birthdate</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>List medical concerns</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

<u>Parent Guardian Contact Information</u>	<u>Home Phone</u>	<u>Cell Phone</u>	<u>Work Phone and Ext.</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Any special information or concerns the bus driver should be aware of: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Land Location of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sec. / Twp. / Rge. OR Street Name & House #

Requesting Transportation to \_\_\_\_\_ School

Requested date for transportation to begin: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason(s) for Requesting Transportation: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Office Use Only:

Bus Driver: _____	Approx. Pick-up Time _____ AM
Transfer Bus Driver: _____	Approx. Drop-off Time _____ PM





# **McCreary School**

*Box 220*

*McCreary, Manitoba*

*R0J 1B0*

*Telephone – 204-835-2083*

*Fax-204-835-2660*



***Mr. Jason Nadeau– Principal***  
***jnadeau@trsd.ca***

Dear Parents,

Please be advised that the Department of Education and Training require that families provide school officials with one piece of valid identification as proof of age/eligibility at the time a student registers for school. Acceptable forms of identification include any of the following:

- Birth Certificate
- Baptismal Certificate
- Certificate of live birth
- Health card
- Statutory declaration

Thank you for providing these documents.

**“Respect, Responsibility, & Co-operation.”**



**FOR MORE  
INFORMATION OR TO  
APPLY FOR URIS  
SUPPORT, CONTACT  
YOUR COMMUNITY  
PROGRAM**



## **RESPONSIBILITY OF FAMILIES**

- **Inform the community program of any medical or special health care needs of your child.**
- **Complete the URIS Group B Application form provided by the community program.**
- **Talk with the URIS Nurse to develop your child's individual health care plan for the community program.**
- **Sign your child's completed health care plan for use at the community program.**
- **Inform the staff at the community program as well as the URIS nurse of ANY changes to your child's health information at any time.**



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## **UNIFIED REFERRAL AND INTAKE SYSTEM (URIS)**

### **A GUIDE FOR PARENTS**

[www.prairiemountainhealth.ca](http://www.prairiemountainhealth.ca)

# Unified Referral and Intake System (URIS)

The URIS program supports children who require assistance with health care needs while attending community programs including schools, licensed child care facilities, respite services, and recreation programs within Prairie Mountain Health.

With your assistance, the URIS Nurse will complete an Individual Health Care Plan for your child.

This Health Care Plan outlines your child's health history and the necessary interventions to support your child's health care needs while attending the community program.

The URIS Nurse will train the community program staff for procedures specific to your child's health care need (e.g. how to administer an inhaled medication to a child with Asthma).

URIS training supports schools, licensed child care facilities, recreation programs and respite services personnel to respond to your child's specific health care needs and emergencies.

Prairie Mountain Health URIS Program partners with Manitoba health care professionals to ensure your child is receiving the best support available.



**The Unified Referral and Intake System (URIS) is a partnership of Prairie Mountain Health and the Government of Manitoba Departments of Health, Family Services and Education**



## Health Care Conditions (Group B)

Health care procedures may be safely delegated to non-healthcare personnel when the child's health status is stable and response to the procedure is predictable. Non-healthcare personnel must receive training and ongoing monitoring by a URIS Nurse. The URIS program may provide support for the following conditions:

- Life-threatening Allergy (anaphylaxis)
- Asthma (when medication is present at the community program)
- Seizure Disorder
- Diabetes
- Cardiac Condition
- Bleeding Disorder
- Steroid Dependence
- Osteogenesis Imperfecta (brittle bone disease)
- Gastrostomy Care and Feeding
- Ostomy Care
- Clean Intermittent Catheterization (IMC)
- Pre-set Oxygen
- Suctioning (oral and/or nasal)
- Administration of Medication



# *Declare your child's* **Indigenous Identity**

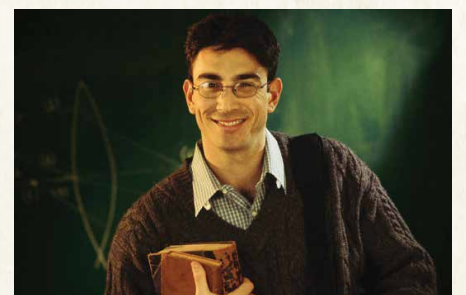
## **Indigenous Identity Declaration (IID)**

provides parents and guardians of Indigenous students the opportunity to declare their children's Indigenous identity within Manitoba's school system.



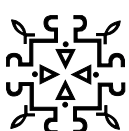
## **Why Declare?**

- Your declaration helps school divisions enhance services and supports for Indigenous students.
- Providing this personal information is voluntary and optional. Information collected through IID is protected under *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA)*.



## **Contact Information**

For more information about the Indigenous Identity Declaration, please contact your child's school office or the Indigenous Inclusion Directorate at **204-945-1416** or Toll Free in MB at **1-800-282-8069 (ext. 1416)**.



**Indigenous Inclusion  
Directorate**

**Manitoba** 



# Declare your child's Indigenous Identity

## Questions and Answers for Parents and Guardians

### *1. What is Indigenous Identity Declaration?*

Indigenous Identity Declaration (IID) is an opportunity for parents/guardians of Indigenous students to declare their child's Indigenous identity within Manitoba's Kindergarten-Grade 12 provincial school system usually at time of registration. IID information received from parents/guardians is entered into a database by the school office and is then reported yearly to the Department of Manitoba Education and Training.

### *2. Why are Indigenous students being asked to declare their ancestral/cultural background?*

IID helps direct resources to Indigenous students to help them succeed. Manitoba Education and Training is committed to supporting the academic success of Indigenous students. Your declaration helps school divisions enhance services and supports for Indigenous students. By declaring, your child (children) receives the appropriate support and programming they may need.

### *3. Statistics Canada collects this information. Why are parents/guardians being asked to provide information to the school?*

Aboriginal identity refers to whether the person reported identifying with the Aboriginal peoples of Canada. This includes those who reported being an Aboriginal person, that is, First Nations (North American Indian), Métis or Inuk (Inuit) and/or those who reported Registered or Treaty Indian status, that is registered under the Indian Act of Canada, and/or those who reported membership in a First Nation or Indian band. Aboriginal peoples of Canada are defined in the Constitution Act, 1982, Section 35 (2) as including the Indian, Inuit and Métis peoples of Canada. The key data sources for statistics on Aboriginal people comes from the Census, which collects information on the language spoken at home, mother tongue and knowledge of language

IID provides accurate and detailed school level information and is recorded by schools and reported yearly to Manitoba Education and Training. Additionally, this information is combined to give a school division and provincial summary. Information collected through IID is protected under *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA)*.

### *4. I'm a First Nation member and my partner is Métis. Which box do we check?*

For families that have multiple ancestral/cultural elements, choose what is most relevant for your family. For more detail, please see the IID identifier descriptions provided on the website at [www.edu.gov.mb.ca/aed/abidentity.html](http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/aed/abidentity.html).

### *5. I know I'm Indigenous but I don't speak any Indigenous languages. Do I still check any boxes?*

YES. The linguistic identifiers refer to ancestral/cultural identity, NOT your ability to speak a specific Indigenous language. Select the identifier(s) that best reflect your identity. If you are still unsure what to choose, you can check the "Other" linguistic category, and write "uncertain" in the space provided.



*6. My child is adopted and Indigenous, while our family is not Indigenous. Which box do I check?*

Check the box most appropriate for your child's Indigenous identity. For more details, please see the IID descriptions provided or visit [edu.gov.mb.ca/aed/abidentity.html](http://edu.gov.mb.ca/aed/abidentity.html).

*7. I moved to Manitoba from another province and my language/culture identifier is not on the IID list. Which box do I check?*

As the list of languages spoken by Indigenous people in North America is quite large, the IID uses the majority of the languages spoken in Manitoba. If your language is not listed, please check the box labelled "Other". Then you may indicate the language(s) spoken in the space provided (if known, write the language, or if unknown, write "uncertain").

*8. There are so many languages to choose from and my language choice is spelled differently than I remember it being spelled. Are they likely the same?*

Yes. They can be considered the same for the purposes of the IID. There are many different ways of spelling the major language groups. As an example, the word Ojibwe can be spelled, Ojibway and Ojibwa. The same can be said of Inuktituq. It can also be spelled as Inuktitut. Both are considered to be the language spoken by the Inuit people.

*9. I've already declared my child a couple of years ago. Do I need to declare my child every year?*

No. If you have declared your child in the past, you won't need to declare your child every year.

The school office will provide IID information to parents/guardians every year as Indigenous identity is not assumed. Also, sometimes the information parents/guardians provide the school may need to be updated, such as if a child is new to the provincial school system, or if changes were made to the list of IID identifiers. If your child is new to the provincial school system, or if you need to make a change to the declaration you had previously provided for your child, then a declaration form can be obtained from your child's school office at any time.

*10. We've moved to a different school in a different school division. Do I need to declare my child again?*

No. If parents/guardians have declared their child's Indigenous identity in the past, the declaration information will remain in the database throughout the child's education in the Manitoba K-12 provincial school system.

*11. I've registered and/or they know my Indigenous identity at a First Nations school. Do I still need to identify at a provincial school?*

Yes. Your Indigenous identity may not be provided by the First Nations school where you attended. We are asking that you please self-identify when registering at a provincial school.

*12. Will my band lose funding for schools in my home community if I self declare my child in a Manitoba public school?*

By self declaring your child or children your home band or community will not lose any funds. Public school funding and federal schools funding is not connected or related in any way to self declaring your child or children and will not result in any loss of funds.





## Frequently Asked Questions

*I'm a First Nation member and my partner is Métis. Which box do I check?*

For families who have multiple ancestral/cultural backgrounds, choose what is most relevant for your family. For more details, please see the IID descriptions provided or visit [edu.gov.mb.ca/aed/abidentity.html](http://edu.gov.mb.ca/aed/abidentity.html).

*I'm Indigenous but I don't speak any Indigenous languages. Do I still check any boxes?*

YES. The linguistic identifiers refer to ancestral/ cultural identity, NOT your ability to speak a specific Indigenous language. Select the identifier that best reflects your identity.

*My Indigenous child is adopted but our family is not Indigenous. Which box do I check?*

Check the box most appropriate for your child's Indigenous identity. For more details, please see the IID descriptions provided or visit [edu.gov.mb.ca/aed/abidentity.html](http://edu.gov.mb.ca/aed/abidentity.html).

*I moved to Manitoba from another province/state and my language is not on the IID list. Which box do I check?*

IID lists the majority of the languages spoken in Manitoba. If your language is not listed, check the box labeled "other". You may then indicate the language spoken in the space provided or, if unknown, select "uncertain".

*There are so many languages to choose from and my language is spelled differently than those listed. Are they likely the same?*

Yes, they are likely the same. There are various ways of spelling the major language groups. For example, Ojibwe can also be spelled Ojibway or even Ojibwa. The same can be said of Inuktituq. It can also be spelled Inuktitut. Both are considered the language spoken by the Inuit.

*I declared my child's Indigenous identity a couple of years ago. Do I need to declare my child every year?*

No. The IID declaration form is provided to parents or guardians every year the child is enrolled in the Manitoba provincial school system. However, if you have already declared your child in a previous year, you do not need to declare your child again.

If your child is new to the provincial school system, or if you need to make changes to the declaration, you can obtain a declaration form any time from the school office.

*We've moved to a different school/school division. Do I need to declare my child again?*

No. If you have already declared your child in a previous year, you do not need to declare your child again. Your child's information will remain in the database throughout the child's education in the Kindergarten to Grade 12 provincial school system.

### Contact Information

For more information about the Indigenous Identity Declaration, please contact your child's school office or the Indigenous Inclusion Directorate at:

Indigenous Inclusion Directorate  
510 Selkirk Ave  
Winnipeg, MB R2W 2M7  
Phone: 204-945-1416  
Toll Free MB: 1-800-282-8069  
Ext. 1416  
Email: [richard.perrault@gov.mb.ca](mailto:richard.perrault@gov.mb.ca)

## Declare your child's Indigenous Identity



## Indigenous Identity Declaration: *A Guide for Parents and Guardians*



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Manitoba Education and Training is committed toward excellence in Indigenous education, a key component of public education. **Indigenous Identity Declaration (IID)** provides parents and guardians of Indigenous students the opportunity to declare their children's Indigenous identity within Manitoba's school system. The term Indigenous comprises Canada's First Peoples within the boundaries of present-day Canada and includes Métis peoples. Providing IID information is voluntary.

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## Why Declare?

### IID helps direct programs, resources and services to Indigenous students

Manitoba Education and Training is committed to supporting the academic success of Indigenous students. Your declaration helps school divisions enhance services and supports for Indigenous students. By declaring, your child (children) receives the appropriate support and programming they may need.

### IID information is accurate and secure

IID provides accurate and detailed school level information and is recorded by schools and reported yearly to Manitoba Education and Training. Additionally, this information is combined to give a school division and

provincial summary. Information collected through IID is protected under The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA).

## Identifier Descriptions

After extensive engagement with Indigenous groups across Canada, Statistics Canada has proposed a standard approach to collecting Indigenous Identity information in Canada.

The following descriptions are applicable when completing the Indigenous Identity Declaration:

- **ABORIGINAL** — Section 35 (2) of Canada's Constitution Act 1982 defines "Aboriginal" as Indian [First Nation], Inuit and Métis peoples of Canada.
- **FIRST NATION** — (North American Indian) — Indigenous people who identify as First Nation include registered/status/treaty and non-status/non-treaty Indians. (ex: the Dakota people of Manitoba who do not have treaties with the Crown may still identify as First Nations people.) First Nations people identify with the nation to which they belong. There are five First Nations cultural and language groups in Manitoba — Cree, Ojibway, Dakota, Dene and Oji-Cree.

- **MÉTIS** — people of mixed First Nation and European or Canadian ancestry identify as Métis people.

- **INUIT** — people of Arctic Canada (primarily Churchill in Northern Manitoba, Nunavut, Northwest Territories, Northern Labrador, Northern Quebec and Northern Manitoba). Identify as Inuit.

## Language/Cultural Identifiers

The following descriptions for the distinct groups in Manitoba may help when completing the Indigenous Identity Declaration

- **ANISHINAABE** (Ojibway/Saulteaux) — This refers to

people of the Algonquian language family who identify with Odawa, Ojibwe/Ojibway/ Saulteaux and Chippewa.

- **ININNEW** (Cree) — This refers to people of the Algonquian language family who identify with Cree dialects (Swampy Cree/Ininimowin, Woods Cree/Nihithawiwin and Plains Cree).

- **DENE** (Sayisi) — This refers to people of the Athapaskan language family who identify with the distinct groups of Dene (T'Suline Dene and Sayisi Dene).

- **DAKOTA** — This refers to people of the Siouan language family who identify with Assiniboine, Dakota, Lakota and Nakoda.

- **OJI-CREE** — This refers to people whose language and culture come from mixed Ojibwe and Cree traditions, but are generally considered a distinct nation from either of their parent groups. They are considered one of the component groups of Anishinaabe, and reside primarily in a transitional zone between traditional Ojibwe lands to their south and traditional Cree lands to their north (in northeastern Manitoba, this refers to the Island Lake region).

- **MICHIF** — This refers to people of the Métis Nation who may speak the Michif language which is a mixed Cree or Ojibway and French.

- **INUKTITUT** — This refers to people of distinct Inuit language families (Inuvialuktun, Inuvinnagtun, Inuittitut, and Inuttut).

- **OTHER** (please indicate if not on the list above) — This refers to Indigenous people who do not identify with any of the above linguistic/cultural descriptions in Manitoba (e.g. an Indigenous person from another province who does not identify with the above descriptions distinct to Manitoba may declare as Other, for example Mohawk).