

Indigenous Education

North Vancouver School District

April 5th-16th, 2021

Saskey/Salmonberry Shoot Time



[reference](#)

Did you know that April is Saskey/Salmonberry Shoot time?

Salmonberries grow along the coast and is found in “shady areas in the wet forests” [reference](#). Salmonberry plants have been used as food and medicine since time immemorial. Read about the uses and connections to the land of the salmonberry by Styawat, Leigh Joseph, in [The Yetwánaŷ Project](#) or [Sq'ewlets](#).

Want to explore ethnobotany further? Have a look at Unit 5 in the Science-First Nations Education Steering Committee's (FNEESC) Secondary Resource. This unit can be adapted for different grade levels. Click [here](#) to access the digital pdf. The FNEESC Science First Peoples Grades-5-9 resource, Unit 2 focus in on Plants and Connection to Place. You can access this digital resource [here](#).



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We would like to thank the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation, whose unceded traditional territory the North Vancouver School District resides on. We value the opportunity to learn, share and grow on this traditional territory.



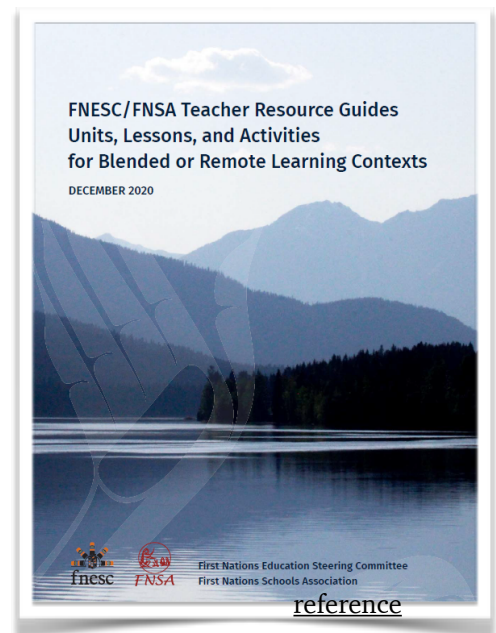
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NVSD Indigenous Education Team Member Profile

Did you see the recent profile about Swallanexw, Dallas Guss? You can read the article here.

Resources

Did you know FNEESC has a resource for Blended and Remote Learning? Have a look at the *FNEESC/FNSA Teacher Resource Guides, Units, Lessons, and Activities for Blended or Remote Learning Contexts*, (Dec 2020). You can download the resource or specific units/pages here.



Indigenous Education: The National Center for Collaboration (NCCIE)



The NCCIE has many resources and lesson plans for for teachers. Lessons and resources may be used and adapted for your classroom needs following the process and protocol as outlined on the NCCIE page.

Intermediate Student Writing Contest

NVSD Indigenous Education is sponsoring a writing contest for students in Grade 4-7. This writing contest is open to all NVSD students in Grades 4-7. The topic of the writing contest is, what do I know about this land? Submissions must reference the Skwxwú7mesh Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation's history and connection to the land?

Submission should be sent to abed@sd44.ca by April 9, 2021.

Professional Development Opportunities

10th Indigenous Math K-12 Symposium – Virtual. Mathematical and Indigenous Futures: Generational Journeys.

This year the symposium is co-organized by UBC and [UFV Sq'ep](#). Registration details will be available after April 7th, 2021

Session 1: Tuesday May 11 3:30 - 4:30

Looking to the Past to Change the Future:
Artist [Nico Williams](#), Anishinaabe beadwork artist of the Aamjiwnaang First Nation, shares his beadwork so that we explore mathwork.

Session 2: Tuesday May 18 3:30 - 4:30

Sharing Projects Circle: Teaching mathematics with Indigenous perspectives and practices: What are we learning?

NVSD Team Request

Want to request a member of the NVSD Indigenous Education team to visit or collaborate? Remember to use the forms which are available on the portal.

Here is a quick link to the forms

[NVSD Indigenous Education Request Form K-5](#)

[NVSD Indigenous Education Form Gr 6-12](#)

