



ʔakisq'nuK Community Newsletter

June 15, 2023



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Congratulations!



**Congratulations to Sean Whiting
on his recent completion of Medical School!**

Sean is now completing specialty training
to become a family doctor.

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Events coming soon

Yoho & Kootenay National Park **Site Visit**



Hop on the bus with us!
To Kootenay & Yoho National Parks
Open to all interested Nation Members.

Help us capture what's important to you when it comes to Aquatic Health and Cultural Sites.

LIMITED SPOTS
OVERNIGHT TRIP
EXPENSES
REIMBURSED

June 15 - 16, 2023

Since 2021, the Ktunaxa Nation has been working with Parks Canada to develop an Aquatic Stewardship Plan for Kootenay and Yoho National Parks.

Visit key locations in both parks via chartered bus, spend overnight in Lake Louise, and return to the KNC Government Building early evening the next day. Meals, accommodation & travel will be provided.

Indigenous values and concepts were shared at a field trip to the Parks in spring 2022. We are planning another field trip to re-visit culturally important sites and continue the conversation around aquatic health.



**KTUNAXA
NATION**

Please contact Kyle Highwind:
khighwind@ktunaxa.org
to sign up, or for more information.



Events coming soon

SELF-CREATED Summer Employment Program

HOT JOB SUMMER!



APPLY by **JUNE 16, 2023**

KNC Education & Employment Staff are ready and able to help with your application and any other education and employment services.



Talk to us...

Meagan Bremner
MBremner@ktunaxa.org
250-489-2464 ext 4037



* THE FINE PRINT: Even if you aren't in full time studies, we can probably still help you in this program. :-)

Summer job ideas? Bring em'!

Together we'll approach employers with a sweet deal:

If they hire you?

Your wages are covered.

Yep.

You gain experience, references, and \$\$\$.

Your new employer gains a superb summer employee ...at no cost to them.

The sky's the limit... bring in your ideas and we'll help you set this up.

ELIGIBILITY

- Ktunananiñtik, and First Nations people living in ʔamaʔkis Ktunaxa
- 15 to 30 years old
- Currently attending **full-time studies***, and will be returning in the fall

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Events coming soon

SMOKII SUMAC

LOVE POEMS FOR THE END OF THE WORLD



JUNE 17TH

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

INVERMERE PUBLIC LIBRARY

A CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP LED BY AUTHOR OF YOU ARE ENOUGH: LOVE POEMS FOR THE END OF THE WORLD, WINNER OF 2019 INDIGENOUS VOICES AWARD. SHARE WHAT YOU LOVE, WHO YOU LOVE, WHERE YOU LOVE, HOW YOU LOVE, AND WHEN - JUST BRING A NOTEBOOK AND PEN





Events coming soon



Join us for a field tour to the spring burn at ʔaʔam, with a dinner and conversation about fire at 5pm at ʔakisq'nuq.

TUESDAY

June 20

10am @ ʔakisq'nuq recreation centre

Or

11am @ ʔaʔam gas station

(7470 Mission Road, Cranbrook, BC V1C 7E5)



5pm for dinner @ ʔakisq'nuq recreation centre.

Learn and share about:

- Fire ecology,
- Ecosystem restoration,
- Healthy forests,
- Traditional practices,
- listen to ʔa·knusti presenting on the fire effects monitoring and more...

let us know by June 15 if you need transportation from ʔakisq'nuq.

If you are driving with at least 2 people, you can be reimbursed for fuel.



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National Indigenous Peoples Day



Yaqit ʔa-knuqti'it

2023 Indigenous Day Border walk and Celebration



Please come and join us June 21, 2023 to Celebrate and Recognize our Indigenous Roots, Culture and Identity.

The Border Walk at the Roosville Border will start at 10:00 am followed by a Celebration at the Yaqit ʔa-knuqti'it Administration building located on 5500 Village Loop Road.

Rossville Border Walk Lunch at Yaqit ʔa-knuqti'it
Vendors Traditional Games Youth Programs
Cultural Activities Dance Demonstrations

Dunk Tank, Bouncy Castle and a Water Slide
Door Prizes and much more Summer fun

This celebration is open for everyone to join in the festivities.

Vendors welcome and if interested in setting up a table for the day please call Daice Smith 250-346-6578



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Upcoming Events

Salmon Warriors Gathering June 23-27, 2023

Near Fairmont Hot Springs, BC



Art by Marisa Phillips

Open to Syilx Okanagan, Ktunaxa,
Secwépemc young adults ages 19-29.

Transportation support, meals,
accommodation, honorariums provided.

APPLY NOW! Contact:

Valerie Michel, Secwépemc Nation
crt@shuswapnation.org

Darcy Luke, Ktunaxa Nation
darcy.luke@ktunaxa.org

Syilx Okanagan Nation c/o
admin@columbiariversalmon.ca



BRINGING *the* SALMON HOME

kʔ cʔəłk stím iʔ ntytyix

ʔatʔ suʔkiniʔ swaqmu

Tspelq'entém re Sqlélten

The Columbia River Salmon Reintroduction Initiative

ColumbiaRiverSalmon.ca



Upcoming Events

Please note:

You must register for the Community Kitchen by June 19. If we do not have at least 5 people registered, this event will be cancelled.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN



WHERE: Recreation Centre Kitchen

WHEN: June 28th

TIME: 10 A.M – 1 P.M.

RSVP REQUIRED – Please contact Christy at 250-342-6301-extension 3845 **Register by June 19**
First meal prepared to bake and take: Lasagna and Caesar salad.



Upcoming Events

Ribbon Skirt and Shirt Making

**June 29
9am - 1pm
at the
Rec Center**

**Register with Christy at
christy.baker@akisqnuk.org**



Upcoming Events

Columbia River Treaty and Ktunaxa Cultural Values

Want to learn about Ktunaxa cultural values or have something to share as it relates to the Columbia River Treaty?

The Columbia River Treaty Renewal is up for renegotiation and the Ktunaxa are at the table. We are planning small cultural gatherings and will later do door-to-door meetings. Come learn about Ktunaxa traditional eating utensils while we share with each other about the Columbia River Treaty over a bowl of Indian Ice Cream while preserving the syrup. Honorarium, lunch and gas cards will be available.

Event 1:

July 4th cedar bark harvesting, meet at ʔakisq'nuq Rec Centre at 9:00 AM. Ktunaxaniit'ik are encouraged to bring swimming suits and the Radium Hot Spring is nearby.



Event 2:

July 5th, kupaʔtiʔ Indian Ice Cream Days, Soap Berry Harvesting – Meet at 9:00 AM Canal Flats Arena Parking Lot, 4925 Burns Ave, Canal Flats. Meet at ʔakisq'nuq Rec Centre at 1:00 PM for processing berries and making the cedar bowl and spoon.

For more information or to pre-register for the above, contact Troy Hunter by email troyd.hunter@ktunaxa.org leave name and number for Troy with receptionist at KNC 250-489-2464



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Members Messages



GOOD FOOD BOX \$7

The next Good Food Box
will be available July 4

To sign up or for more information
(or to cancel your box) contact
friends@columbialakerecentre.com,
or call 250-342-0804

Please confirm or sign up by
Wednesday June 28.

Pickup is between 1pm and 2pm,
Tuesday July 4.

Any boxes not picked up by 2pm will
be given to the next person in line.

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Members Messages



BEARS LAIR
Youth **Camps**

The Youth are our Future.

The Future is our Youth.



EARLY REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Indigenous Youth ages 11 to 18 can apply now to join the Bears' Lair Team for a FREE 3-day program this summer!

**Youth Entrepreneur Dream Camp
July 10th, 11th & 12th**

**Join us at the St. Eugene Resort in ʔaqam (near Cranbrook, BC)
There's only 25 spots, so [CLICK HERE](#) to apply now!**

To sign up
[CLICK HERE](#)
or [SCAN THIS](#)



Text 604-783-8304
for more info

JOIN the Bears' Lair Team to experience life as an entrepreneur in a 3-day Youth Business Dream Camp this summer!

Make new connections. Tackle 5 Team Challenges with Youth Coach/Mentors. Explore Business FUNDamentals. Enjoy tons of food, chances to win prizes. Get INSPIRED to turn your ideas into reality!

**Thank you to our
Host Community Champions!**

**Thank you to our
Dream Camp Sponsor!**



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NATION**



**PAPER
EXCELLENCE**



Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars

June

- June 16, 9-11am: Naḥmit' nana Playgroup. Outdoor play at Little Badgers. Caregivers and children 0-5 are invited.
- June 16: Deadline to register for the Self-Created summer employment program. Bring your summer job ideas. Your wages will be covered. Eligible for ages 15—30. Contact Meagan Bremner at 250-489-2464.
- June 17, 10-noon: Smokii Sumac, Love Poems for the End of the World, creative writing workshop at the Invermere Public Library. Bring a notebook and pen.
- June 21: National Indigenous Peoples Day - Indigenous Day Border Walk and Celebration, Roosville border. Followed by a celebration at the Yaḡit ḡa-knuḡḡi 'it administration building at 5500 Village Loop Road.
- June 21: Rec Centre will be open only 10—4 in honour of National Indigenous Peoples Day.
- June 22, 2-4pm: Dr. Page Clinic at AFN health center. To book an appointment , contact 250 342 6379.
- June 23, 9-11am: Naḥmit' nana Playgroup. Outdoor play at Little Badgers. Caregivers and children 0-5 are invited.
- June 23-27: Salmon Warriors Gathering for young adults aged 19-29. Contact darcy.luke@ktunaxa.org to register.
- June 27, 10am: Elders Committee meeting at the Band Hall.
- June 28, 10-1: Community Kitchen at the Rec Centre. Bake and take lasagna and Caesar salad. You must RSVP to Christy by June 19. A minimum of 5 people are required for the Community Kitchen to go ahead.
- June 29, 9-1: Ribbon Shirt and Skirt making at the Rec Centre. Register with Christy at Christy.baker@akisqnuuk.org.

July

- July 4, 9am: Cedar bark harvesting at the Rec Centre. Contact troyd.hunter@ktunaxa.org to register.
- July 5, 9am: Indian Ice Cream Days, Soap Berry harvesting—meet at Canal Flats Parking lot. Meet at Rec Centre at 1:00 for processing berries and making the cedar bowl and spoon. Contact Troy Hunter at troyd.hunter@ktunaxa.org to register.
- July 10-12: Youth Entrepreneur Dream Camp at St. Eugene Resort. Open to ages 11 - 18.
- July 26-27: Ktunaxa Nation Annual General Assembly in Tobacco Plains. Registration forms at ktunaxa.org.

August

- August 15-16: BC Elders Gathering in Vancouver. Deadline to register is July 10.
- August 21-25: Okanagan RCMP recruiting youth canoe journey. Canoe from Penticton to Vernon. See poster in newsletter for more information.
- August 25-27: AFN Annual General Assembly. More information will follow.

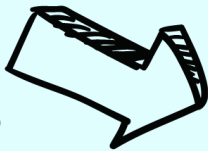


Summer Programs for kids

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SUMMER PROGRAMS

We are planning a Summer Program for ʔakisq'nuq children. If you have children who will be looking for activities over the summer, please contact Stephanie Sam at (250) 342-6301 Ext: 3849 or stephanie.sam@akisqnuq.org with names and ages, so we can ensure we have adequate spaces for all children wishing to attend.



Any older youth looking for employment, and want to work with the summer program? Contact us to get your resume done and submitted. What's better than getting paid to partake in some Summer fun?



Summer Programs for kids



Naʔmit' Nana Playgroup

Join us for outdoor play and exploration at the Little Badgers Early Learning Center located at the ʔakisqnuk First Nation in Windermere BC.

Caregivers and children 0-5 are invited for nature play, songs, stories and a community snack.

Friday mornings 9-11am.

May 12, 2023- June 23, 2023





Members Messages

A REMINDER OF THE QUILT PROJECT

The project group is accepting completed quilt squares. It is a slow process, but will keep it open as there are individuals working on their squares. If you are interested in the project and need assistance, you can reach out to Gayle Michel or Patsy Nicholas.

Gayle.michel@akisqnuq.org

Patsy.nicholas@akisqnuq.org

Quilting Project for a healing journey

This is an opportunity for Akisqnukniks to express how you are feeling on your journey by writing a statement about your experience of the residential school, '60's scoop or the Murdered/Missing Indigenous Women Girls/Boys on a quilt square. You may have been affected by one or two or all three. I am coordinating the project, and the possibilities are endless on how this project can take its course. However, the end project will be 3 quilts to showcase in the community. Please remember that this may be difficult and do take your time with this process. You can express your unique experience in words, sentences, paragraphs, images, color, symbols, pockets and more.

HOW IT WILL WORK

We will send you quilts squares to use, or you can utilize your own to design your masterpiece. We will also be available to put on the squares whatever you would like on a square for you, if you prefer. An opportunity for individuals to assist with the sewing will be set up when all quilt squares have been submitted. The completed projects will be displayed at the Akisqnuq First Nation. Submissions for the squares will be open until all interested individuals have completed their task.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIVITY
FREE or SUBSIDIZED INTERNET FOR KTUNAXA

FREE

- Requires a fibre optic connection to your home.
- Your Internet provider is FlexiNet.
- 50Mbps download and 10Mbps upload.

OR

SUBSIDIZED

- Keep your existing Internet provider.
- Receive \$55 per month to subsidize your existing plan.

• All homes on Ktunaxa First Nations reserves are eligible.

- Ktunaxa First Nations will receive applications forms by **March 1, 2023**.
- Applications reviewed as received.
- Expect a four to six (4-6) week processing time.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Contact Shane Stewart
(250) 489-2464 ext. 4373
Shane.Stewart@Ktunaxa.org

KTUNAXA NATION Economic & Investment Sector | Ktunaxa Nation Economic and Investment Sector Initiative and approved by the Economic Sector Council

- **There are no catches. There is no fine print. This is Free internet or \$55 per month subsidized for every household on reserve.**
- 20 years ago the Nations wanted improved connection in communities and wanted it to be free. This is now possible.

You can get an application from your Band office, Shane or fill the application online by login into your Ktunaxa Hakqyit account

<https://ktunaxahakqyit.org/login>

You must register with the site to complete the application for free internet or subsidy for your internet

<https://ktunaxahakqyit.org/ktunaxa-community-connectivity>

For more information contact Shane Stewart with the Ktunaxa Nation at 250 489 2464 ext 4373 or shane.stewart@ktunaxa.org

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Self Care



ʔAKISQ'NUK HEALTH CENTER

ʔUŁUMI

(HIGH WATER)

MAY

KUQUKUPKU

(RIPENING OF STRAWBERRIES)

JUNE

MAY 25 2-4PM.: DR. PAGE CLINIC

JUNE 7 9-4PM.: FOOT CLINIC

JUNE 8 2-4PM.: DR. PAGE CLINIC

JUNE 22 2-4PM.: DR. PAGE CLINIC

For more details on the Clinics, to book or to cancel your appointment Contact Health Office: (250) 342-6379



Naloxone kits are available for pickup at the Health Center for anyone who would like them

Please note that all Medical receipts should be submitted directly to Patsy Nicholas at patsy.nicholas@akisqnuk.org

ʔakisq'nuknik, your feedback helps ʔakisq'nuk First Nation make improvements to services provided.

Take a few minutes to fill out the Health and wellness survey. visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XW2YVVM> or scan QR



code





Reminders and Notices

SUPPORT for INDIGENOUS STUDENT LEARNING PROGRAM INDIGENOUS DISABILITY CANADA

WHO - Indigenous students of any age, across Canada who have limited financial resources, including Indigenous students living with disabilities. To be eligible, students must be of low-income, enrolled in formal education (online, remote, on-site), and must be actively attending classes

HOW - Submit your filled application along with the supporting documents to the sislp@bcands.bc.ca to be considered to receive a laptop and/or related accessories necessary for learning and academic success

WHY - To support and assist Indigenous (First Nation, Métis, Inuit) students in their continued educational success, ongoing studies and eventual career path

Resources are limited - apply today!

Applications will be accepted up to March 15, 2024 or until available resources have been expended.

All information will be verified, applications will be approved or declined based on documented priority need

Visit www.bcands.bc.ca for more information and to apply

**Due to the pandemic and world wide shortages of technology, times to receive computers by approved applicants may be longer than anticipated*



Indigenous Disability Canada (IDC)

Mailing Address: #6 - 1610 Island Highway - Victoria, British Columbia - Canada - V9B 1H8
Toll Free Telephone: 1-888-815-5511 **Victoria Capital Region Telephone:** (250) 381-7303
Fax: (250) 381-7312 **Email:** sislp@bcands.bc.ca





Employment Opportunities

We are looking for a casual worker



The ʔAkisq'nuq First Nation is looking for a casual staff to come in and assist with general maintenance of homes (light bulbs, railings, door handles, stair railings, etc.)

If you are interested in this opportunity please contact Christy Baker via email christy.baker@akisqnuq.org or by calling the office at (250) 342 6301 ext.3845.



Check out full Postings at <https://akisqnuq.org/employment-opportunities>

- FireSmart and Emergency Program Coordinator
- Events Coordinator
- Casual workers
- Facilitator for Summer Programs
- Communications Assistant (1 year Fixed Term Contract)
- Social Development Worker
- Registered Nurse
- Registered Forest Technician

You may submit your application to Human Resources at hr@akisqnuq.org

WE NEED HELP WITH OUR SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR KIDS



Paid and volunteer positions:

- Paid Facilitator
- Lunch Volunteers

Join our team!

The program will run during the summer school holidays. A schedule of events will go out to Community by the end of May.

Contact us at hr@akisqnuq.org

Save the Date for the

Annual General Assembly



AUGUST 25 - 27

DETAILS TO FOLLOW



Elders Corner

Pakisq'nuq Elders Committee

Scheduled: June 27, 2023: 10 am AFN Band Hall and Zoom.

Usually Last Tuesday of the Month

All members over 60 are welcome to attend or log in.

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85934733519?pwd=UmlrNEpET1V1TWVPT0tXd1dMS1U3UT09>

Ktunaxa Nation Council, Traditional Knowledge and Language (TKL) Elder's Advisory

1st Wednesday of Every month. Next meeting is July 5, 2023.

Contact Darcy Luke for agenda items, information (location for in-person) and/or Zoom link at darcy.luke@ktunaxa.org

Eva Joseph Learning and Cultural Society

Honorariums are available if you are interested in sharing stories or cultural activities with the Badger students please contact Kayla at Kayla.ejlcs.ahs@gmail.com.

BC Elders Gathering

Scheduled for August 15-16, 2023 in Vancouver. Deadline to Register is July 10th. \$550 per person.





Reminders and Notices

Chief and Council Meetings

Band Meeting

The next meeting is TBD.

Chief and Council

Deadline to submit items to Chief and Council Agenda is always the Friday before.

In honour of National Indigenous Peoples Day, the next meeting will be moved to July 5. Deadline to submit items is June 29.

?akisqnuq Nation is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Chief and Council Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89758249947?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89758249947?pwd=dIYvNm9CSFdfVm4xa1dtM1IrdnBvQT09)

[pwd=dIYvNm9CSFdfVm4xa1dtM1IrdnBvQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89758249947?pwd=dIYvNm9CSFdfVm4xa1dtM1IrdnBvQT09)

Meeting ID: 897 5824 9947 Passcode: 054045

Contact Executive Assistant Karen Vargas [ka-ren.vargas@akisqnuq.org](mailto:karen.vargas@akisqnuq.org) to request to be on the agenda or if you have any questions.



?AKISQNUK FIRST NATION IS LOOKING FOR A CATERER FOR THE 2023 AGA

Please email

Christy.Baker@akisqnuq.org

if you are interested or know anyone who might be available to cater from

August 25 to 27, 2023.



We care about what you think.

?akisqnuqnik, your feedback helps ?akisqnuq First Nation make improvements to our Health Plan.

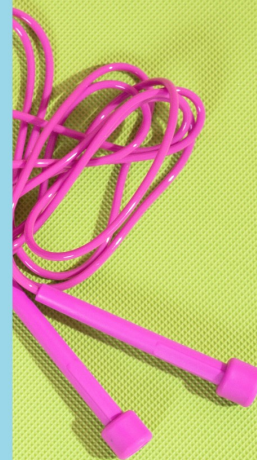
Take a few minutes to fill out the Health Survey.

The results will help to inform our Akisqnuq Health Plan (2023 - 2027), and will be submitted to FNHA for funding.

visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XW2YVVM>



WWW.AKISQNUK.ORG





Reminders and Notices

In planning for the coming year, we need to gather information on Akisqnuq student needs. We are referring to ALL Akisqnuq students, regardless of where they reside.

If you have children in Kindergarten to Grade 12, please complete and submit the assessment form, to help us ensure we are striving to provide sufficient supports and services to all of our students.

If you have questions regarding this, please contact Stephanie Sam (250) 342-6301 Ext 3849 or email stephanie.sam@akisqnuq.org
Can download the PDF <https://akisqnuq.org/education>



Social Development update



Job Search documentation and Monthly Renewal Applications need to be submitted to Christy Baker
email: christy.baker@akisqnuq.org

Due the 15th of every Month



Reminders and Notices



WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF BILL C-92?

- BILL C-92 WAS PASSED IN CANADA ON JANUARY 1, 2020.
- IT AFFIRMS THE INHERENT RIGHT OF THE FIRST NATIONS' JURISDICTION IN RELATION TO CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES.
- TO CHANGE THE WAY IN WHICH CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES ARE PROVIDED TO INDIGENOUS CHILDREN.
- ESTABLISHES NATIONAL PRINCIPLES (BEST INTERESTS OF THE INDIGENOUS CHILD; CULTURAL CONTINUITY; AND SUBSTANTIVE EQUALITY) AS WELL AS MINIMUM STANDARDS TO BE MET IN THE PROVISION OF CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES.
- THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE INDIGENOUS CHILD IS ALWAYS THE PARAMOUNT CONSIDERATION WHEN IT COMES TO DECISION MAKING FOR THAT CHILD.

HOW CAN A FIRST NATION EXERCISE JURISDICTION OVER CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES?

- ONCE A FIRST NATION HAS AN EXISTING LAW IT CAN TRANSITION TOWARDS EXERCISING JURISDICTION OVER CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES. ONCE A LAW IS IN PLACE THE FIRST NATION SENDS A REQUEST TO CANADA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA TO ENTER INTO A TRIPARTITE COORDINATION AGREEMENT RELATED TO THE EXERCISE OF FIRST NATION JURISDICTION.
- WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE REQUEST BEING MADE. IF AN AGREEMENT IS REACHED BUT REASONABLE EFFORTS WERE MADE TO REACH AN AGREEMENT. THE FIRST NATION LAW WOULD HAVE THE FORCE AND EFFECT OF FEDERAL LAW AND WOULD PREVAIL OVER PROVINCIAL LAW IN THE EVENT OF CONFLICT OR INCONSISTENCY.
- THE KTUNAXA NATION HAS DECIDED TO PURSUE FULL JURISDICTION AND HAS STARTED WORK ON THE KTUNAXA CHILD WELLNESS LAW.
- THE KTUNAXA LAW IS FORWARD LOOKING. ALLOWING FOR THE FUTURE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDIGENOUS COURT OR TRIBUNAL OR OTHER CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE SYSTEM TO DEAL WITH CHILD PROTECTION MATTERS.

WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF KTUNAXA LAW?

- IT REFLECTS THE SELF DETERMINATION OF THE KTUNAXA NATION BY IMPLEMENTING THE INHERENT RIGHTS OF THE NATION.
- THE KTUNAXA LAW WORKS TOWARDS KEEPING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TOGETHER. ALTERNATIVELY, FAMILY AND KINSHIP CONNECTIONS WOULD BE PRIORITY.



WHAT IS BILL C-92? AN ACT REPRESENTING FIRST NATIONS, INUIT & METIS CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES



WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF BILL C-92?

- BILL C-92 WILL HELP CHILDREN STAY WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND PROMOTE CONNECTIONS TO THEIR CULTURE AND COMMUNITY. IT PROVIDES A FRAMEWORK THAT FIRST NATIONS CAN USE TO EXERCISE JURISDICTION IN RELATION TO CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES.

WHAT DOES BILL C-92 MEAN FOR CHILDREN IN CARE NOW?

- THE IMPORTANCE OF REUNITING INDIGENOUS CHILDREN WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES IS RECOGNIZED.
- THERE IS A PRIORITY PLACEMENT FOR THE INDIGENOUS CHILD, WHICH PRIORITIZES FAMILY AND COMMUNITY PLACEMENT.
- ONGOING REASSESSMENT IS REQUIRED TO DETERMINE THE POTENTIAL FOR REUNIFICATION.

WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF BILL C-92?

- 12 MONTHS AFTER THE NATION GIVES NOTICE TO THE GOVERNMENTS AND DEPENDING ON SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATION OF A COORDINATION AGREEMENT.

WHICH COURTS HAVE JURISDICTION TO HEAR CASES UNDER THE KTUNAXA LAW?

- THE KTUNAXA LAW WORKS TOWARDS KEEPING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TOGETHER. ALTERNATIVELY, FAMILY AND KINSHIP CONNECTIONS PRIORITY AND FOCUS WOULD BE ON STRENGTHENING THESE TIES.
- THE KTUNAXA LAW MAY STILL USE THE BRITISH COLUMBIA COURT SYSTEM, BUT ALSO CREATES ALTERNATIVES TO THE COURT SYSTEM INCLUDE:
- CUSTOMARY CARE AGREEMENTS
- FAMILY SHARING CIRCLE
- COMMUNITY OF CIRCLE CARE
- FAMILY NETWORKS

WHAT LEVEL OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OF THE NEW KTUNAXA LAW IS COMING?

- KICFSS HAS HOSTED ONLINE ZOOM ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS AND IN PERSON SESSIONS WITH KTUNAXA NATION MEMBERS INITIALLY. FOCUS GROUPS WITH THE FOLLOWING GROUPS FOR INPUT:
- ELDER'S
- FORMER CHILDREN IN CARE
- LEADERSHIP
- DELEGATED SOCIAL WORKERS/TEAMS
- LEADS KICFSS
- COMMUNITY MEMBERS

FEEDBACK AND COMMENTS:

IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS/QUESTIONS OR WOULD LIKE TO HOST AN EVENT PLEASE CONTACT:

JULIE BIRDSTONE: JBIRDSTONE@KTUNAXA.ORG

CHELSEA HOLLINGSHEAD: CHELSEA.HOLLINGSHEAD@KTUNAXA.ORG

250-489-4563



What's Happening at the Rec Centre



FLOOR HOCKEY

Drop In! ALL Ages Welcome

MONDAY EVENINGS

5PM - 7PM

\$5 / PLAYER

questions? 250-342-0804

friends@columbialakerecentre.com

3050 Highway 93 / 95

Windermere, BC



PUBLIC HOURS

Monday – Friday	9:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Saturday & Sunday	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Holiday Hours	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

We accept Visa, Mastercard, and Debit.
We cannot accept cash at this time.

QUESTIONS?
250-342-0804
FRIENDS@COLUMBIALAKERECCENTRE.COM
3050 HIGHWAY 93/95



What's Happening at the Rec Centre

CRAFTS & CHATS

EVERY WEDNESDAY
NIGHTS IN
THE MURAL ROOM

COME JOIN STAFF FOR EVENINGS
OF LAUGHS, CHATS, AND CRAFTS.
EVERYONE AND EVERY CRAFT
WELCOME!!

BEADING, SEWING,
COLOURING, VISITING, ETC.
COME AND SOCIALIZE!!!
BRING YOUR OWN CRAFT SUPPLIES



EVERY TUESDAY
EVENING
7PM - 9PM
\$5 / PLAYER

VOLLEYBALL NIGHTS

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Ktunaxa Language Learning

Ka 'a ·kʔukaqwaʔa

Our language, our time

Ktunaxa - Ksankanintik

Enjoy two hours of Ktunaxa Language sharing four times a month!

A safe place to explore learning our sounds and all the beautiful words they make.

Learn along with others while using beginner learning materials, word games and Kahoot!

Perhaps you have something you want to learn but don't know where to start or feel intimidated trying on your own? Four times a month we will come together for these and many more reasons.

Hun huɛpayaʔti kuɛ ɔ̄papiʔ ʔupxniskiʔ!

'a·kʔukqa'nam, *n.* speech, language (someone's). **ka·kʔukqa** (**ka 'a·kʔukqa**), my language. **'a·kʔukqa'n**is, your language. **'a·kʔukqa'is**, his, her, their language. **ka·kʔukaqwaʔa** (**ka 'a·kʔukaqwaʔa**), our language. **'a·kʔukaqwmniskiʔ**, your (pl.) language.

Starting June 7th, 2023

Every second Wednesday from 10:30am to 12:30pm MST

Starting June 10th, 2023

Two Saturday evenings per month from 7:00pm to 9:00pm MST

For link, please contact Mara

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and Language*

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KTUNAXA

Language Course

Connecting to the local land through language

12 x 90 minute
virtual learning sessions

September - December
MONDAY NIGHTS
7 PM MT ON ZOOM

This course is designed for you to garner skills that will enable you to carry Ktunaxa Language forward to your classrooms, organizations, in schools and on the land.

REGISTER ONLINE

cbeen.ca/ktunaxa-language-course

Session topics include:

- Ktunaxa Creation Story and the connection to place
- Place names in the East Kootenays
- Why each place is named what it is
- Common classroom phrases
- Things around the town/community
- Plant names • Animal names
- Colors • Numbers • Family relationships
- Common expressions
- Calendar - seasons, months, days of the week



CBEEN

\$300 for all 12 sessions
(\$25/session)

\$240 for CBEEN members
(\$20/session)

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What's Happening at Ktunaxa Nation

2023 Ktunaxa Nation Annual General Assembly

July 26 & 27, 2023
Yaqit ʔa-knuqti'it

All Ktunaxaniḥtik & guests
are encouraged to attend!

Awesome prizes!

Info booths!

Cool swag!

Great food!

Registration forms at ktunaxa.org

Please send your forms

to Kyle Highwind

AGA@ktunaxa.org

Or fax to 250-489-2438

Or drop off at **BAND OFFICES** or

at Ktunaxa Nation Council,

220 Cranbrook St. N, Cranbrook

**YOU'RE
INVITED!**



**Check ktunaxa.org for agenda
and updates closer to the AGA.**

Some sessions are open to Ktunaxaniḥtik only.



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