



SELF-IDENTIFICATION

Is your child First Nations, Inuit, or Métis? Would you like to learn about Cultural Teachings, Indigenous Education resources, tutoring support, and other opportunities available for them? If so, please complete the back of this form and return it to your child's school.

Self-identification as First Nations, Inuit, or Métis is completely voluntary, confidential, and does not require proof of ancestry.

At the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario (CDSBEO), we are committed to creating a culturally, academically, and emotionally safe environment for First Nation, Inuit, and Métis, students.

If you have any questions regarding the confidential and voluntary Self-identification program, please reach out to Indigenous Grad Coach Stéphanie Nelson at 343-774-2093 or Stephanie.nelson@cdsbeo.on.ca



We acknowledge that the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario gathers today on the unceded, traditional Algonquin territory of the Anishinaabe people, as well as the unceded, traditional Mohawk territory of the Haudenosaunee people. We respect both the land and the people of this land, including all Indigenous people who have walked and continue to walk in this place.

**Dr. Marie Battiste, Mi'kmaw educator in her work argues,
"Indigenous students need to see themselves reflected in their
environment in order to have a sense of belonging and have their
identities validated."**

Self-Identification Form

Student's full name: _____

My child is of _____ ancestry:

More than one group may be selected

Name of School: _____

First Nation

Address: _____

Inuit

Telephone: _____

Métis

Birthdate: _____

Name of community (optional):

More than one community may be listed

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

Note: All parents/guardians of Indigenous students, and students aged 18 of age or older, have the right to voluntarily and confidentially self-identify. Through self-identification the Board is able to collect relevant information which helps to provide programs and strategies supporting the needs of First Nation, Métis and Inuit learners. The information is being gathered in accordance with section 29(2) of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. If you have already completed this form for your child, it is not necessary to re-submit every year.

If you have any questions, please contact Stéphanie Nelson for more information at
343-774-2097 or stephanie.nelson@cdsbeo.on.ca.

For more information about Self-identification and
the CDSBEO Indigenous Education Department,
please scan the following QR code.

