

# RAISED VOICES:

## CARRIERS OF HOPE

### YOUTH CALLS TO ACTION #5

We call on the Assembly of First Nations, Federal Government, and national organizations to encourage the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada to influence and advocate for the inclusion of our shared history and First Nations knowledge into curricula.





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### *The Carriers of Hope call upon Students to:*



Write to Members of Provincial Parliament supporting increased representation of First Nations knowledge into curricula.



Utilize your social media platforms to spread awareness and advocate for the importance of including First Nations knowledge in schools.



Write to the Council of Ministers of Education Canada (CMEC) by sharing concerns, questions and suggestion for the inclusion of First Nations knowledge into school curricula.



Advocate for and be allies to First Nation students and their wellbeing.



Advocate for the inclusion of the First Nations flag of that territory on school property.

**For more information go to:**





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### *The Carriers of Hope call upon Teachers to:*



Include books written by First Nations authors in course reading materials.



Research existing guides and best practices for teaching First Nations cultures and histories in the classroom.



Research First Nations histories in Canada, written from the perspective of First Nations.



Include First Nations history and knowledge in curricula throughout the entire year.



Seek out First Nations content experts to invite to speak to the class. Consult with a First Nations education organization in your area for support.



Utilize the Assembly of First Nations It's Our Time Toolkit as a teaching resource. Visit <https://education.afn.ca/afntoolkit> for more information.

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### *The Carriers of Hope call upon Schools to:*



Encourage teachers to include First Nations histories and knowledge in the classroom to support students feeling welcomed in their school environments.



Budget for teacher training to ensure that courses on First Nations content will be taught appropriately.



Actively acknowledge the territory they are on by raising the First Nations flag.



Have blanket exercises at the beginning of the school year.



Hold school-wide activities to support Indigenous Education Days of Significance. For example: Orange Shirt Day, Treaty Day, National Indigenous History Month and National Indigenous Peoples Day.



Invite the Provincial Minister of Education to schools so they can listen to First Nations students' questions, concerns, and suggestions.

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### *The Carriers of Hope call upon Leaders to:*



Advocate for increased mandatory subject matter regarding First Nations shared histories and knowledge in curricula.



Advocate for investments in the development of a living First Nations curriculum developed by First Nations for First Nations.



Acknowledge First Nations education as an Inherent and Treaty Right.



Implement the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada Calls to Action into syllabi.



Learn about and include land acknowledgements in their opening remarks.

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