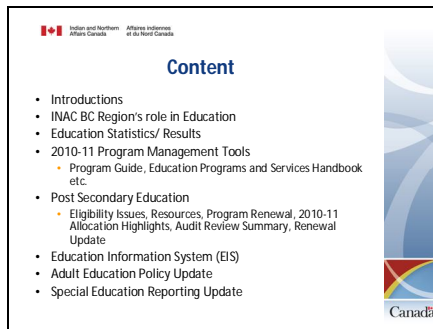


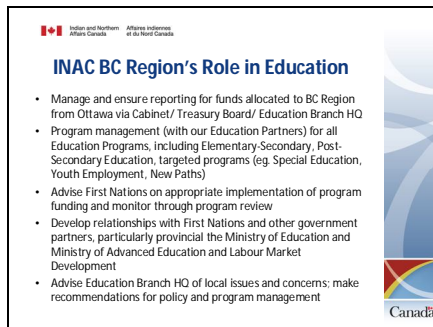
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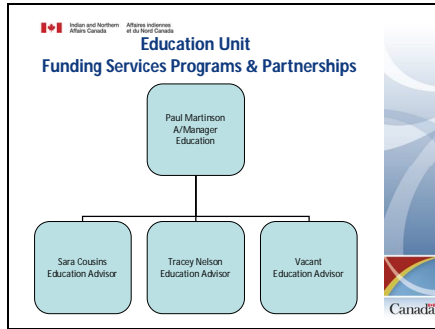
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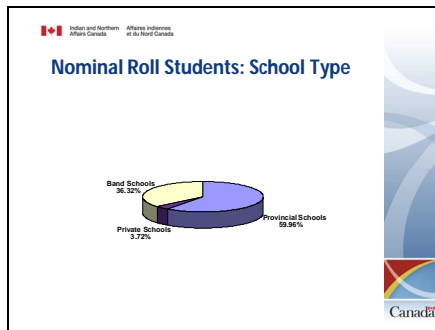
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Education Statistics/ Results

- 15,000 Students (K-12) Live on Reserve
- 1,000 additional students are enrolled in Adult upgrading programs to work on their Dogwood
- First Nations secondary school graduation rates are increasing: 47% in 2008, up from 37% in 1999
- Over \$50M in INAC PSE funding is administered by over 100 Bands and Tribal Councils each year
- INAC PSE funding supports over 3,000 students each year for certificate, diploma, degree and post-graduate level programs (3,356 in 2009-10)
- 69% of funded PSE students are female
- Over 800 funded PSE students complete their program of study each year (847 in 2009-10)

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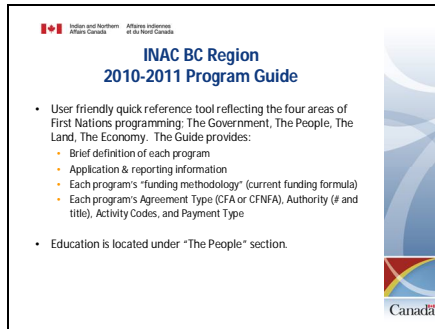
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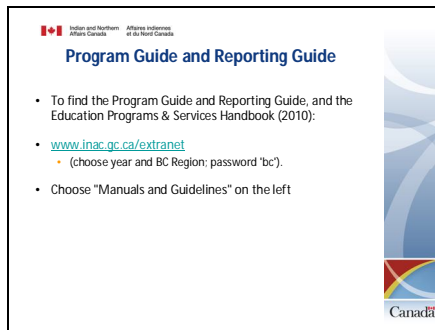
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2010 Education Programs & Services Handbook

- Currently preparing Education Handbook for distribution via mail/CD/Extranet
 - Highlighting key information on eligibility
 - Adding page numbers and linked Table of Contents
 - Section on "getting started" and tips for new Education Coordinators
 - Quick reference guides at the beginning of each program section
 - Information on new programs (FNIVES Skills Link, FNISP, EPP)
 - Information Sheets
 - More FAQs
 - More information on program linkages (e.g., Income Assistance, Health Canada), contacts




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Post Secondary Education (PSE)

- Sample Eligibility Issues
- Canada Student Loan Rates (2010-11)
- Band Local Operating Policy Requirements
- PSE Funding for Students – Sources Beyond INAC
- PSE Allocation Highlights
- Program Renewal Update



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What qualifies an institution?

Eligible Institutes are:

- Certificate, diploma or degree-granting institutes which are recognized by the province (or territory)
- First Nation educational institutes affiliated with, or delivering post-secondary programs by arrangement with an eligible post-secondary institute (AIHLA)
- Visit BC Ministry of Advanced Education and Labour Market Development and Student Aid BC for a list of eligible BC institutes www.aved.gov.bc.ca/studentaidbc: "Designated Schools"
- Visit the Master List of Designated Schools in Canada and the US at http://www.canlearn.ca/eng/main/designated/dtdi_shtml




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Part-time Students

- PSSSP and UCEP offer part-time students funding toward:
 - Tuition
 - Books
 - Supplies



- Part-time students are **not** eligible for living allowance or travel
- Part-time students living on reserve MAY be eligible for support from Income Assistance

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What qualifies an income assistance recipient?

- To be eligible for INAC income assistance a person must meet 3 criteria:



Reside on Reserve + Apply + Submit documents (to Ensure Eligibility)


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Practicum and Co-operative Education

- Practicum – a course emphasizing the practical application of theory as on-the-job work experience in a field of study (not usually paid)
- Co-operative Education – a program that integrates relevant work experience into academic study to produce graduates that are “career-ready”, usually by alternating study and PAID work terms
- Both are eligible under INAC funding but a FN is only required to fund them if they are required for program completion



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Funding Support for Trades and Training

PSSSP can **only** be used to support programs that are:


- At least one academic year in length
- Require high school equivalency for admission
- Are offered at recognized post-secondary institutions or by organizations affiliated with post-secondary institutions

If the program does not meet these guidelines, the student may be eligible for support from your local AHRDA/ ASETS holder.

Industry Training Authority of BC – www.itabc.ca




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2010-11 Canada Student Loan Rates

- Monthly living allowance rate maximums:
 - Single Student Living At Home: \$456
 - Single Student Living Away from Home: \$1095
 - Single Parent: \$1394
 - Married Student and Spouse: \$2162
 - Costs per Child/ Dependent: \$586

Note: A First Nation is not required to provide these maximums and Canada Student Loans does not provide them to most students either




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Sample Per Year Costs

Married student & spouse (excluding costs for child)	
Total	\$2,162/mo.
Cost per child @ \$586/child X 2 children	\$1,172/mo.
Total per month = \$3,334/mo. X 8 months academic year (Sept – Apr)	\$26,672/yr
Tuition – estimate	\$4,000
Books and supplies (maximum)	\$2,000
Seasonal Travel (2 round trips/academic year) (estimate)	\$1,600
TOTAL	\$37,606

Note – The FN would be required to reduce the amount this student was paid to the maximum annual amount per student which is \$35,000 for Level 1 or 2




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Band Local Operating Policy

- Must include:
 - Application process
 - Priorities for funding (may include reduced living allowance rates or other measures to share available resources among students where demand is high)
 - Contingency funding process
 - Appeal process
- May include:
 - Income limits
 - Requirement to apply for Canada Student Loan
 - Other details of administration and student responsibility




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Beyond INAC/ Band Funding

- Aboriginal Learning Links – www.aboriginallearning.ca
- Irving K. Barber Aboriginal Awards - sponsored by the Ministry of Advanced Education and Labour Market Development - www.bcscholarship.ca/web
- Student Aid BC and Canada Student Loans - www.aved.gov.bc.ca/studentaidbc
- Institution scholarships and bursaries
- Private scholarships and bursaries
- National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation – www.naaf.ca
- New Relationship Trust - www.newrelationshiptrust.ca
- Scholarships list – www.fnesc.ca




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PSE Resources


- INAC Post-Secondary Education National Program Guidelines (2003)
- 2010 Education Programs and Services Handbook
- INAC Information Sheets (BC Region)
- *First Nations Post-Secondary Education Handbook for the BC Region* (FNESC and INAC, 2005)
- *Finding Your Path: A Guide to Career and Education Planning* – www.fnesc.ca



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PSE Allocation 2010-11 Highlights





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PSE Funding Methodology 2010-11

- Initial funding allocations were calculated using the lesser of the 2008/09 audited eligible expenditures or the band's per capita amount calculated using the regional allocation and the total population (as of December 31, 2009)
- Where audited amounts were lower, the per capita amount was protected for each First Nation to access (by application)
- Any protected pool not accessed by the application date was sent into a General Pool of funding to which all First Nations who applied were given access
- Demand for the General Pool was particularly high in 2010-11 (145 total applicants) and therefore only 17% of what was requested could be provided





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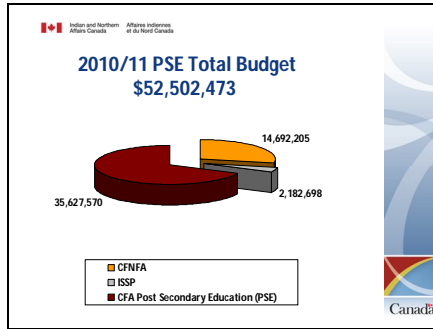
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PSE Schedule of Events

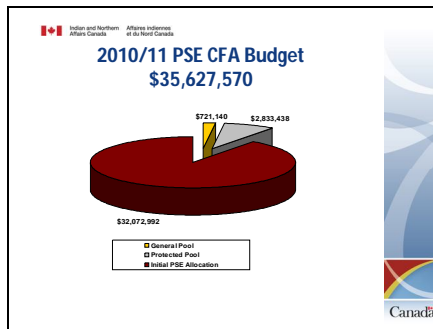
- April Initial PSE budget allocation
- June Application deadline for additional PSE funding
- September Funding allocated for protected pool
- October Funding allocated for general pool



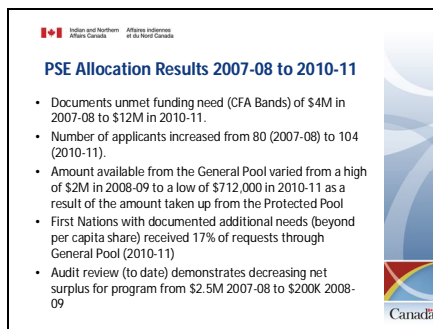
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PSE Program Renewal


- No decisions have been made on a new approach for post-secondary education.
- The perspectives of First Nations and all education partners are important.
- INAC will continue to work with the AFN, and regional partners such as FNEESC to hear their perspective on this matter.
- Further information will be shared with Chiefs and Councils on an engagement process in the coming months.




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Education Information System (EIS)




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Education Information System (EIS)


- A new national system for reporting
- Some reporting changes for 2011, system to roll-out in Fall 2012
- System will link all education programs, from proposals to final reports
- System will allow for comparisons of aggregate results and research on themes etc.
- BC Region is working with FNEESC and HQ Education Branch and the AFN to ensure ownership, access, control and privacy (OCAP) issues are addressed




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BC Region Adult Education Nominal Roll Guidelines




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BC Region Adult Education Guidelines (proposed changes)

- We had hoped to have new guidelines ready for September 2010 but they are still under review at our senior management level
- We have received input from the Ministry of Education, IAHLA, FNSA, several First Nations and our Program Review Unit
- We are attempting to utilize the feedback noted above to improve the effectiveness of the program
- In the meantime, it is status quo
- We will leave a placeholder in the new handbook for the revised guidelines




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BC Region Adult Education Nominal Roll Guidelines (current)

- Students must be eligible for the Nominal Roll (eg. Registered, living on reserve, enrolled and attending by September 30)
- Students must be over 19 as of July 1st of the current school year
- Students must be taking Ministry of Education K-12 courses at a band operated or provincial school
- School must be able to issue a graduation certification (Dogwood or Adult Dogwood)
- Students must be supervised and evaluated by a member of the BC College of Teachers
- Student attendance and progress must be documented
- Student file must include annual application form, course enrolment form and attendance records, as well as documented progress on course assignments
- Band Operated schools are required to have their Adult Programs approved by INAC




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Your input?

- What is working for the Adult Program?
- What is not working?
- What changes would you recommend?




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Special Education Reporting (2010-11)

- The reporting requirements have changed again ☹
- Last year, we required detailed SEP information on page 2 of the Nominal Roll. That is no longer required.
- Each student on the Nominal Roll must be coded under Column 14 if they are eligible for High Cost Special Needs support
- Detailed reporting will be provided by the band operated schools to FNSA (and by provincial schools to the Ministry of Education) in May 2011 – form under development
- Aggregate reporting will be prepared (by FNSA and MoE) for INAC in May 2011
- Process and details to be determined




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Important Dates 2010-11


- October 15, 2010 - Nominal Roll due to INAC
- October 15, 2010 – last day for Student Daily Transportation review to INAC (for 2011-12)
- November 15, 2010 - Annual Staff Information report to INAC
- December 31, 2010 – PSSR due to INAC
- January 14, 2011- ISSP proposals for 2011-12 due to ISSP Committee
- January 2011 – Nominal Roll appeal period ends
- February 2011 – PSE initial allocation letter from INAC
- May 2011 – Special Education reporting due to FNSA
- June 2011 – PSE pool applications due to INAC




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