

# 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Indigenous Education Conference

VANCOUVER, BC - NOV 28-30, 2019

CONFERENCE GUIDE (v. Jun. 6, 2019)



Registration and News

[www.fnesc.ca/conference](http://www.fnesc.ca/conference)

First Nations Education Steering Committee

Suite 113-100 Park Royal South, West Vancouver, BC V7T 1A2

Toll-free in BC 1-877-422-3672 [conference@fnesc.ca](mailto:conference@fnesc.ca) [www.fnesc.ca](http://www.fnesc.ca)



#fnesc2019



## CONFERENCE GUIDE 2019

Showcasing inspiring people, over 30 different workshops and excellent networking opportunities, the First Nations Education Steering Committee (FNESC) Indigenous Education Conference draws hundreds of participants each year.

With this year's theme, *Meeting Diverse Student Needs*, we will focus on the following topics:

- meeting the needs of current and former children and youth in care
- creating effective Local Education Agreements and other accountability tools
- creating learning environments and curricula that are inclusive and responsive
- developing quality First Nations language and culture programming

In particular we will consider each of those topics in the context of the landmark BC Tripartite Education Agreement, signed by Canada, BC and FNESC in July 2018.

### Call for Workshops Apply by **September 10, 2019**

Workshop applications are invited on topics that complement this year's theme and demonstrate effective, innovative and evidence-based practices and resources. Most workshops will be designed for K-12 teachers and administrators but may also include early childhood, adult education and transitions to post-secondary.

See the workshop application form on our event webpage.

Find the latest details about registration, workshops, accommodation, and more at  
[www.fnesc.ca/conference](http://www.fnesc.ca/conference)

### Registration

#### *Registration Rates*

\$475 Regular, \$360 Elder, \$360 Student, \$300 One Day

Register online at [www.fnesc.ca/conference](http://www.fnesc.ca/conference).

All participants will be invited to choose workshops, beginning October 2019

#### *Group Registrations*

Step 1: All group members must register

Step 2: Payment may be made by credit card or by cheque. If by cheque, the cheque must be accompanied by a Group Registration Form (available on the event webpage). That form can also be used to request an invoice.

#### *Refund Policy*

Full refunds up to and including November 15, 2019, no refunds after. Substitutions allowed.

#### *Payment Options*

Registration fees must be received within 14 days of registration or the registration will be cancelled. Registration payments will not be accepted on-site at the event.

Cheque payments for groups must be accompanied by a "Group Registration Form" showing the name, email and registration fee of each registrant.

Cheques are payable to the **First Nations Education Education Steering Committee**. Mail to: First Nations Education Steering Committee, Suite 113 – 100 Park Royal South, West Vancouver V7T 1A2



## Registration Tips

Organizing registration for a group?

Ask your group members to put your email on the registration form where it says “additional email” to receive a copy of their registration.

If your plans are uncertain, we suggest that you register now, and take advantage of our cancellation policies if necessary. Last year we reached capacity in October!

## Exhibitor Applications

We are seeking approximately 35 exhibitors to participate in our conference this year.

Exhibitor applications will be accepted in the summer of 2019. Watch the website for application dates.

## Meals

Coffee, tea and finger foods will be served at the evening event on November 28th and buffet breakfasts and lunches will be provided on November 29-30th. Please indicate special dietary requirements or major allergies on your registration or contact [conference@fnesc.ca](mailto:conference@fnesc.ca) at least 2 weeks in advance of the event.

## Sharing Table

There will be one conference exhibit table that all participants can use to share flyers and brochures about opportunities and resources relating to First Nations education.

## Getting There

The conference venue is The Westin Bayshore Hotel, 1601 Bayshore Drive, Vancouver, BC ([go to maps and directions](#))



## Accommodation

### Main Venue

The Westin Bayshore Hotel,  
1601 Bayshore Drive, Vancouver, BC

Rooms from \$138+tx single/double

Book by **October 28, 2019**. It is highly recommended to book accommodation early.

Use the booking link provided at  
[www.fnesc.ca/conference](http://www.fnesc.ca/conference)

Reservations: 604-682-3377

[bayshore.reservations@westin.com](mailto:bayshore.reservations@westin.com) quoting  
“FNESC 2019 Provincial Conference.”

*Thank you to the Westin Bayshore for donating \$4 per room night to the Seventh Generation Club!*

### Overflow Venue

The Pinnacle Hotel Harbourfront Vancouver, 1133 W. Hastings, has an overflow room block and details will be made available on the website.

## Parking

For guests staying at the Westin Bayshore, there is a discounted parking rate of \$25/day for 24-hour self-parking. For those attending the conference but staying elsewhere, there is a discounted self-parking rate of \$18/day 7:00 am to 6:00 pm. Instructions will be sent to registrants in mid-November.



## SCHEDULE (updated June 6, 2019)

*Our schedule is under development. Watch [www.fnesc.ca/conference](http://www.fnesc.ca/conference) for news about our guest speakers and workshop offerings.*

### Opening Evening Thursday, Nov. 28, 2019

6:00 pm	Registration Opens
7:00 pm	Opening, Performances and Benefit Auction
9:00 pm	Closing

The evening will feature a lively auction in support of the Seventh Generation Club. The club, which has over 8000 members from 6-16 years of age, encourages students to attend school regularly, plan for higher education and careers, and celebrate their cultures. All conference registrants are invited to attend. Snacks, coffee and tea will be served.

### Friday, Nov. 29, 2019

7:30 am	Registration Opens
8:00 am	Breakfast
8:45 am	Welcome to the Territory
9:00 am	Opening Remarks, Tyrone McNeil, FNESC President
9:15 am	Guest Speakers
10:30 am	Break
10:45 am	Workshop Session 1
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Workshop Session 2
2:15 pm	Break
2:30 pm	Workshop Session 3
3:45 pm	Close of the Day
4:00-5:30 pm	NITEP Indigenous Teacher Education Program Gathering

### Saturday, Nov. 30, 2019

8:00 am	Breakfast
9:00 am	Opening Remarks
9:05 am	Presentations and Speakers
10:15 am	Break
10:30 am	Workshop Session 4
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Workshop Session 5
2:30 pm	Break
2:45 pm	Remarks and Door Prizes
3:00 pm	Close of the Day