

## **eBulletin**

BC Tripartite Education Agreement Supporting First Nation Student Success

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### **Overview of BCTEA**

The 2018 <u>BC Tripartite Education Agreement: Supporting First Nation Student Success</u> (<u>BCTEA</u>), signed by the BC First Nations Education Steering Committee (FNESC), Canada, and British Columbia, and witnessed in support of the execution of the agreement by the BC First Nations Schools Association (FNSA), is intended to promote systemic shifts and collective efforts that will support improved educational outcomes of all First Nation students in British Columbia (BC), regardless of where they live or are enrolled in school.

# **Evaluation of the Effectiveness of FNESC Programs and Services**

FNESC is pleased to announce that a Request for Proposals (RFP) has been released for an evaluation of the efficiency and effectiveness of programs and services delivered by FNESC. FNESC's Board of Directors has established an Evaluation Committee to provide guidance, advice and direction for this project.

FNESC looks forward to identifying a qualified consultant to review FNESC's operations and work with First Nation communities and schools in order to identify strengths, gaps, weaknesses or deficiencies in the delivery of programs and services, and to highlight relevant recommendations for improvement.

The FNESC Board of Directors perceives the evaluation as a key component of our organization's accountability to First Nations in BC, as well as a meaningful way to inform our program planning.

The evaluation will involve a document review, interviews with key informants, and some site visits. The Evaluation consultants will also be asked to implement surveys of First Nations community, school and partner group representatives. We welcome all input and hope that you will respond to the evaluation surveys and requests for feedback.

The RFP has been <u>posted to the FNESC website</u> and it has also been posted on RFP.ca and bidscanada.com. The FNESC Evaluation Committee will select the qualified consultants following the submission deadline of November 23rd, and it is expected that the consultants will begin the evaluation in January 2019. Copies of the RFP are available to anyone interested upon request.

## Who Can Help?

For further information about the FNESC evaluation, please contact Mike Costello at <a href="mikec@fnesc.ca">mikec@fnesc.ca</a> or at 604-925-6087.

### **Regional Sessions**

The annual Regional Sessions provide an opportunity to learn more about the work of FNESC and our partners, facilitating dialogue about current First Nation education issues. The 2018 Regional Sessions focus on details related to BCTEA, including the new funding for language and culture programming and transportation capital.

Regional Sessions have now taken place in Kelowna and Prince George. Upcoming sessions include Kamloops, Nanaimo, Cranbrook, Prince George, and Vancouver.

Register for a Regional Session

### **Feedback and Support**

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