

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation



September 30, 2021, marked the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, a day that coincides with Orange Shirt Day. It recognizes the tragic legacy of residential schools, the missing children, the families left behind and the survivors of these institutions.

The incredible network of provincial, regional, and local sport organizations in BC are passionate about sharing the positive impact of sport, and committed to delivering safe and inclusive programming. From embracing diversity to breaking down barriers, the power of sport transcends competitive athletics to become a catalyst for change and understanding. Start your learning journey by exploring the rich and diverse cultures, voices, experiences and histories of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples.

Understanding the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Truth and Reconciliation Associations

- National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation: <https://nctr.ca/>
- Reconciliation Canada: <https://reconciliationcanada.ca/>
 - » Reconciliation Toolkits: <https://reconciliationcanada.ca/resources/toolkits/>
- Orange Shirt Day: <https://www.orangeshirtday.org/>
- Indian Residential School Survivors Society: <https://www.irsss.ca/>

Guiding Documents

- United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: https://www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii/documents/DRIPS_en.pdf
 - » Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act – BC: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/indigenous-people/new-relationship/united-nations-declaration-on-the-rights-of-indigenous-peoples>

- Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action: https://ehprnh2mwo3.exactdn.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Calls_to_Action_English2.pdf
 - » Beyond 94 – Truth and Reconciliation in Canada: <https://newsinteractives.cbc.ca/longform-single/beyond-94>
 - Highlighted and Complete Reports of the Truth & Reconciliation Commission and the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation: <https://nctr.ca/records/reports/#trc-reports>
 - BC Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act Action Plan: [declaration_act_action_plan.pdf \(gov.bc.ca\)](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/indigenous/declaration_act_action_plan.pdf)
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Trainings

- KAIROS Blanket Exercise: <https://www.kairosblanketexercise.org/>
 - San'yas Indigenous Cultural Safety Training: <https://www.sanyas.ca/home>
 - Reconciliation Canada Dialogue Workshops: <https://reconciliationcanada.ca/programs-initiatives/dialogue-workshops/>
 - The Path: Your Journey through Indigenous Canada – Cultural Awareness Training: <https://nvisiongroup.ca/the-path-indigenous-cultural-awareness/>
 - Indigenous Canada Course – University of Alberta: <https://www.ualberta.ca/admissions-programs/online-courses/indigenous-canada/index.html>
 - Reconciliation Through Indigenous Education – UBC: <https://pdce.educ.ubc.ca/reconciliation/>
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Videos

- 8th Fire: Wab's Walk Through History: <https://www.cbc.ca/firsthand/blog/8th-fire-wabs-walk-through-history>
 - » YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L7LY-fXzhZI>
 - Picking up the Pieces: The Making of the Witness Blanket: <https://humanrights.ca/story/picking-up-the-pieces-the-making-of-the-witness-blanket>
 - Gord Downie's The Secret Path: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGd764YU9yc>
 - Xe Xe Smun' Eem Our Sacred Children: Navigating the Harms of Canadian Residential Schools Webinar: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1fzTeDM1kdZspvUqSiBMdR-uvd9tlogX/view?usp=sharing>
 - Etuaptmumk - Two-Eyed Seeing Ted Talk: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bA9EwcFbVfg>
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Readings

- 21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act by Bob Joseph
- The Inconvenient Indian by Thomas King
- Halfbreed by Maria Campbell

- The North-West is Our Mother by Jean Teillet
 - They Called Me Number One by Bev Sellars
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Books Suitable for Children

- I Am Not a Number by Kathy Kacer
 - Fatty Legs by Christy Jordan-Fenton & Margaret-Olemaun Pokiak-Fenton
 - A Stranger at Home by Christy Jordan-Fenton & Margaret-Olemaun Pokiak-Fenton
 - Shi-shi-etko by Nicola Campbell
 - When We Were Alone by David A. Robertson
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Land Acknowledgement

- Whose Land: <https://www.whose.land/en/>
 - Guide to Acknowledging First Peoples & Traditional Territory: <https://www.caut.ca/content/guide-acknowledging-first-peoples-traditional-territory>
 - Activism Skills: Land and Territory Acknowledgement: <https://www.amnesty.ca/blog/activism-skills-land-and-territory-acknowledgement/>
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Supports

Culturally safe resources and supports available toll-free 24-hours a day, 7 days a week:

- IRSSS Indian Residential Schools Crisis Line – 1-866-925-4419
 - Métis Crisis Line – 1-833-METISBC / 1-833-638-4722
 - KUU-US – Indigenous Crisis Response Services – 1-800-588-8717
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Sport Specific Resources

- Aboriginal Coaching Module: <https://www.aboriginalsportcircle.ca/aboriginal-coaching-modules>
 - Indigenous Long-Term Participant Development Pathway: <https://sportforlife.ca/portfolio-item/indigenous-long-term-participant-development-pathway/>
 - BC Sports Hall of Fame Indigenous Sport gallery: <https://bcsportshall.com/exhibit/indigenous-sport-gallery/>
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