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NEWS RELEASE

NCDSB Students Connect with Outdoors at Unique Camp Northeastern Ontario, June 12, 2013:

Approximately 75 grade seven students from Catholic schools located in Cochrane, Timmins, Moosonee, Iroquois Falls and Kapuskasing had the exciting opportunity to participate in a unique overnight Outdoor Education opportunity at Onakawana Camp, located on mile 131 between Cochrane and Moosonee from June 3-13. Accessible by rail in the summer and snowmobiles in the winter, the camp, owned and operated by Pam and William Tozer from Moosonee, facilitated an exciting two day program for our students. Students constructed lean-to shelters, plucked and prepared geese for dinner, fished, enjoyed recreational time, and learned some traditional skills based on First Nations culture.

Lisa Innes, Aboriginal Liaison for NCDSB, commented, "Away from technology and the pace of city life, our students learned to connect with the outdoors, and with each other in a setting which promoted conversations and discovery. We were very fortunate to be able to bring this rich cultural activity to students in the board."

Thank you to Tracy McPhee from Ontario Northland in North Bay for assisting with the transportation arrangements, and Dailey's Independent Grocers for assisting with the packing/shipping of the food supplies, and to Lisa Innes, Board Aboriginal Liaison, for coordinating this memorable experience for staff and students."



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