

Voluntary Self Identification



I am Indigenous, I am Proud!

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Indigenous Education Lead

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Northeastern Catholic District School Board continues to promote and encourage self-identification of all students.

Self-Identification is important to our school communities, it is essential to know who our students are and which communities we serve. Self-Identification allows schools to understand more about the population they serve and to adapt and improve programming based on those demographics. Further this allows us to increase supportive programs, provide focused support to bridge achievement gaps and provide additional opportunities for cultural and experiential learning opportunities. We are encouraging all parents and students to identify their Indigenous ancestry

We recognize that many parents, guardians and students have already chosen to self-identify. For this, Meegwetch. We encourage those who have not yet done so to complete the self-identification form below and return to your child's school.

For further information regarding self-identification, please contact Kristine Arthur – Indigenous Education Lead at 705-268-7443 xt. 3225

I AM.... Name of Child: _ **First Nation** School: Métis Inuit Grade: Non-Indigenous Band/Community: Parent/Guardian (Print) Signature DD_____YY___