

NFN Education Department

AGM

November 20, 2021



Education and Lifelong Priorities

- Expand Lifelong learning opportunities related to NFN Language and Culture
- Implementation of the Anishinabek Education system and NFN Education Law -Multi-Year Action Plan, fiscal negotiations
- Cultivate relationships with local school Boards, Colleges, Universities, AEI – FNAC, Plans, outcomes
- Culture and Work plan for Nbisiing – Elder Advisory resource group,
- Increase language teachers in provincial schools
- Education agreements
- Post-Secondary – post - secondary needs, success rates, communication gaps, repository, mentorship program , communication campaign, career fair, gap analysis- Anishinabek Nation,/AES/NFN review of funding formula
- Assess infrastructure needs for NFN Education system
- Alignment and collaboration between Nbisiing School with NFN administration – IT, policies, HR



Meet the Staff

Nancy Allaire	Director of Education
TBD	Education Officer
Charlene Bellefeuille	Bussing Coordinator / Administrative Assistant
Geraldeana Goulais	Post-Secondary Support Worker
TBD	Elementary/Secondary Support Worker
Lacy Stevens-Farrell	Principal, Nbisiing Secondary School
TBD	Vice-Principal, Nbisiing Secondary School
Nbisiing Bus Lines – 8 drivers	





Education Committee

Deputy- Chief – Mike Sawyer	Chair
Nancy Allaire	Resource
Judy Couchie	
Judy Manitowabi	
Fran Couchie	
Cindy Peltier	
Marianna Couchie	
Phyllis Anderson	

Education Representatives

Nipissing University

Nipissing University Indigenous Council on Education (NUICE)	Nancy Allaire /
Nipissing Board of Governors	Fran Couchie (appointed by Chief & Council)

Canadore College

Indigenous Circle on Education (ICE)	Nancy Allaire / Geraldeana Goulais
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Special Education Advisory Committee

Near North District School Board	TBD – K-12 support worker
Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board	TBD – K-12 support worker

First Nations Advisory Committee

Near North District School Board	Nancy Allaire
Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board	Nancy Allaire
Conseil Scolaire du Nord-Est de l'Ontario	TBD – K-12 support worker (Dan Stevens)
Conseil Scolaire Catholique Franco Nord	TBD –K-12 support worker

Education Representatives

Anishinabek Education System (AES) – Kinoomaadziwin Education Body (KEB)

Regional Education Council #3 Representative

Fran Couchie and Nancy Allaire

Resource

Nancy Allaire

Board of Directors

Phyllis Anderson (2019 – 2022)
Marianna Couchie (2020 – 2023)
Catherine Pawis (2021 – 2024)

Voted by REC #3 Chiefs

Joint Master Education Agreement & Special Education Committee -
1 rep from PFN's

Nancy Allaire – appointed by PFN's

Native Student Trustee

Near North District School Board

TBD – elections December 2021

Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board

Grace Couchie (St. Joseph Scollard Hall)

First Nation Trustee

Near North District School Board

Nichole King (Moose Deer Point)

Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board

Judy Manitowabi (appointed by Chief and Council)

Programs

Elementary / Secondary/Nbisiing School

- Tuition payments
- Incentives and awards
- Case conferences
- Special education services
- Transition support
- Joint program planning with NFN programs

Post-Secondary

- Post-Secondary Education Assistance Program (tuition, books, living allowance)
- Laptop loans
- Transition support
- Supports for assessments

Nbisiing Bus Lines

- School transportation
- Charters
- Bus driver training

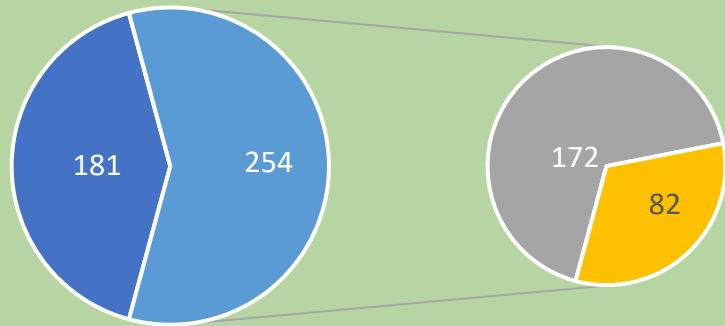
Education (General)

- Project planning and implementation (AES – MYAP)
- Service agreements
- Budget
- Policy
- Chiefs of Ontario – Special Education
- Anishinabek Nation – Post-Secondary
- First Nations Advisory group

Student Data

ELEMENTARY / SECONDARY

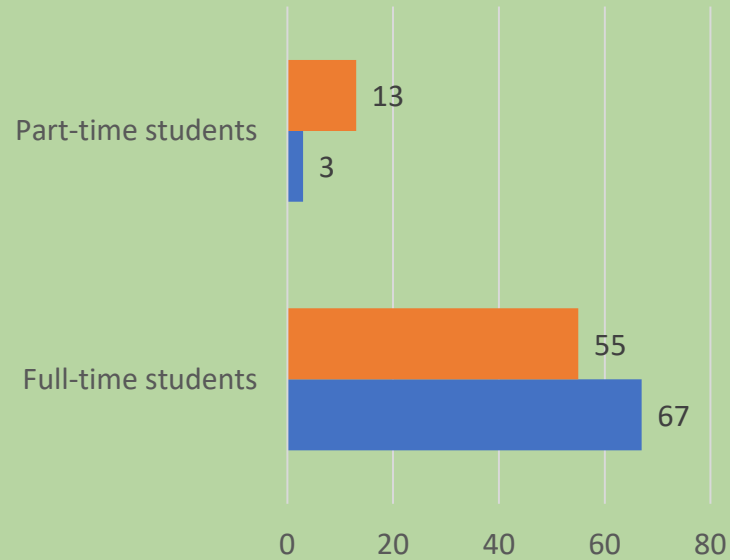
On- vs Off-Reserve



■ On-reserve ■ Off-reserve ■ Local Off-reserve

435 Students Total

POST-SECONDARY



138 Students Total

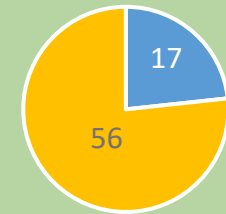
ADULT EDUCATION

12 Students Total

As of September 22, 2021:
Data reflects numbers for 2021-2022

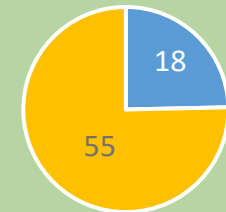
NBISIING SECONDARY SCHOOL

On- vs Off-Reserve



■ On-reserve ■ Off-reserve

NFN vs Non-NFN Students



■ NFN Students ■ Non-NFN Students

73 Students Total

Partners in Education



Near North
District School
Board



Nipissing-Parry
Sound Catholic
District School
Board



Conseil
scolaire public
de Nord-Est de
l'Ontario



Conseil
scolaire
catholique
Franco-Nord



Canadore
College



Nipissing
University

Provincial School Boards



Anishinabek Education System (AES)

Vision

Anishinaabe Aadziwin. Anishinaabe Bimaadziwin.

A holistic learning path using Anishinabek ways of knowing, celebrating a bright future for our people.

Mission Statement

Embracing our past. Empowering our future.

The Participating First Nations (PFN) under the AES will enact education laws that govern the AES and the delivery of programs and services. Under the AES, PFNs are:

- Promoting Anishinaabe culture and language;
- Implementing programs and services to improve student retention rates, academic achievement and well-being;
- Establishing and maintaining system-wide education standards that support the transfer of Anishinabek students between the Anishinabek Education System schools and the provincial education system schools; and
- A system of accountability to First Nation members.





Anishinabek Education System (AES)

Master Education Agreement (MEA)

“A new relationship between Anishinabek First Nations and Ontario that supports Anishinabek student success and well-being in the Anishinabek Education System (AES) and the Provincially Funded Education System.”

Objective is to increase knowledge and understanding of Bimaadziwin, Kendaaswin, and Anishinaabe languages in Anishinabek First Nation Schools and schools in the provincially-funded education system.

Multi-Year Action Plan

Supports the MEA through 17 projects that provide opportunities for PFNs to create and pilot local initiatives and to partner with local school boards to carry out initiatives that address student needs.

AES Capital Needs Assessment

Assess various elements related to education capital. Results will demonstrate the education capital needs of PFN schools and will support negotiations with the federal government for future years.

Niigaan Gdizhaami Fund

Supports and invests in community and joint projects and initiatives that are locally-developed. Through the Fund, communities can build on the local vision for education, with a focus on Bimaadziwin and Kendaaswin.



Anishinabek Education System (AES)

Funding

The AES will have secure and predictable funding from the Government of Canada under a new education funding agreement. The PFNs will have funding to:

- Continue to operate schools on-reserve;
- Continue the tuition agreements with local school boards;
- Support student-focused educational programs and services that incorporate Anishinaabe culture, language, history, knowledge and values;
- Continue to provide funding support for Anishinabek students to get university degrees, college diplomas, or trades certificates and licenses;
- Address special education needs;
- Set-up and operate the Anishinabek Education System; and
- Develop curriculum and educational resources for the Anishinabek Education System; among other things.



Anishinabek Education System (AES)

Who is included?

- 23 Anishinabek First Nations in Ontario
- Approximately 25,000 Anishinabek members
- Approximately 2,000 students on-reserve from JK to Grade 12



REC #3

Structure

- Local Education Authorities
- Regional Education Councils (NFN is part of Regional Education Council #3)
- Kinoomaadziwin Education Body – Central administrative structure

KEB Staff

- Christine Dokis (Restoule), Director of Education
- Andrea Crawford, Senior Operations Manager
- Regional Education Council Coordinators

And more...



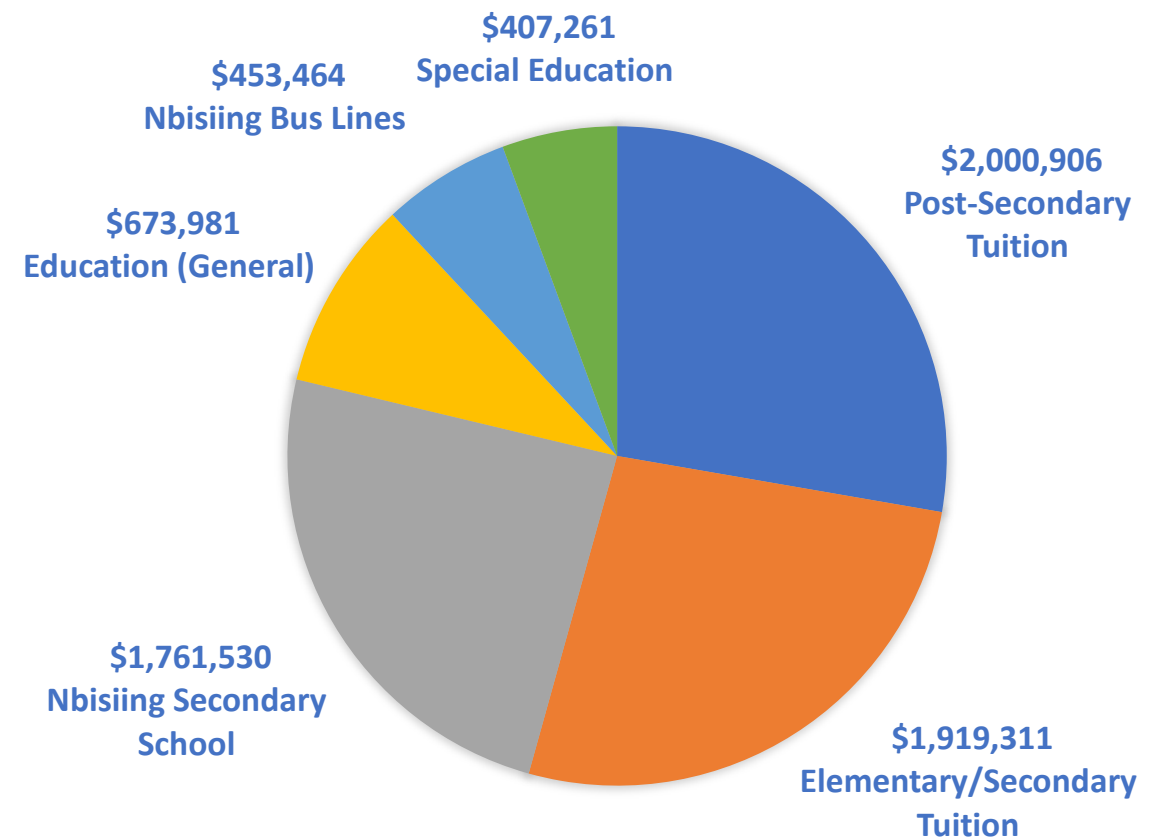
Budget

Education Department funding supports:

- Tuition fees to provincial school boards
- Post-Secondary (tuition, books, and living allowance)
- Nbisiing Bus Lines transportation to provincial schools and Nbisiing Secondary School
- Special Education (high-cost needs, transportation, assessments, case conferences)
- Adult education subsidies
- Programming support for mental health, youth life promotions, nutrition, culture and language, post-secondary bursaries, graduation awards, elementary/secondary incentives, and tutoring.
- Partnerships with Employment and Training Department
- Deferred revenue to support wait lists in post-secondary and capital needs

We receive Reverse Tuition Fees for each student who lives off-reserve that attends Nbisiing Secondary School.

EDUCATION BUDGET 2021-22



A collection of school supplies including a calculator, a ruler, a blue binder clip, a compass, and a yellow utility knife, all arranged on a green surface.

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Questions?

