

Anishinaabe-mowin After-School Program: Application Questionnaire

Aaniin, Boozhoo!!!

As you all know, the Anishinaabe (Ojibwe) language is in danger. We lose first language speakers every day and need to produce new speakers and teachers. That is what this program will attempt to do.

This program is *a pilot project* with the primary goal of creating emerging speakers of Anishinaabe-mowin (Ojibwe language) and potential language teachers. If this program is successful, we will have evidence that this approach works and be able to seek additional funding to continue and offer this beginning level to other tribal communities.

The program will enroll only 15 students ages 5 to 12 and will be open Monday through Friday from 3:30pm to 6:00 pm at the Chi Mukwa (Big Bear) Arena. We realize that area schools have various dismissal times, but we would like to have the children for 1½ to 2 hours daily. Parents are responsible for bringing children into the Anishinaabe Language Center to sign in and picking them up at the end of the day. If your school provides bussing to the Big Bear, please let us know so someone can meet the bus with your child.

It is important to understand that full participation is vital, especially the family commitment to using Anishinaabemowin at home every day. Parents will attend at least one class (virtually) every week and four camps per year on Sugar Island with the other families. In addition, language lesson folders will be sent home with you to facilitate family learning. It may get challenging, but we want to make it fun for your child and you.

The application will help us get to know what the beginning point of Anishinaabe-mowin is for your family. Other questions will allow us to see your commitment to this process. If we get more than 15 applicants, a committee of Elders will review the applications and choose which child/family is most likely to be committed and successful in the program. That is what the date and number are for in the footnote.

Please drop your completed application off at the Language & Culture Division office in the Chi Mukwa (Big Bear) Arena or email it to culture@saulttribe.net.

Child's Name:		
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Parent/Guardian/Grandparent:		Date:
Contact: Phone	Email	

(Adult responsible for supporting language learning daily)

1.	Why do you want your child and family to take part in this program?				
2.	What was the last generation who spoke fluently in your family?				
3.	Does your child/family currently use Anishinaabe-mowin at home?				
	Yes No				
4.	If so, mark an X on those that apply to child/family's ability?				
	A few words Basic expressions and sentences Express needs, wants, feelings Semi-fluent Can introduce yourself				
5.	Where could you integrate language daily with your child in your home or in other settings?				
6.	Check what options you feel you could do at home using Anishinaabe-mowin?				
	Label items around the house				
	Put up signs to remind you of how to say an action				
	Take pictures of signs around the house to share with other participants				
	Make a video of the family speaking to each other				
	Do an art project with family to illustrate an activity				
7.	Are you willing to provide confirmation of how the language is being used in your home? YesNo If yes, what is the best way for you to do that?				

8.	What technology do you have available? Mark all that apply.					
	Laptop or Personal Computer w/ camera		Internet	Internet		
	Tablet w/ can	nera	Wi-Fi			
	Smart phone		Hot-spot			
9.	Are you able to dev	Are you able to devote time weekly to an online or virtual parent class?				
	Yes	No				
10	families participation	out your family spending the daying in the program? (All camps wile break, transportation provided.	l be on the weekends, and tw			
11	. Do you have any ol	commit to least four times in the	taped at the program as they			
		The videos may be used in futurure Facebook and YouTube chann				
Comm	nents or question					
Offic	e use only	Date received	Application ID			