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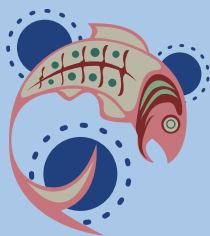
Paying Tribute to Service, Sacrifice, and Resilience



Vision Statement in **Ojibwe:**

Ezhi niigaan waabjigaayewaad Mississaugas New Credit endaawaad (the vision of these people). Ezhip mino maadzijig (living a joyful life), ezhi waamji-gaazwaad (their identity, how people have identified them), ezhi debwedmowaad (their beliefs), ezhi mimiingaaazwaad (what was given to them by Creation, what they always had, their heritage), niigaabminunkiivaad Anishinaabek (is how they always lived as Anishinaabek).

Translated by: Nimkew Niinis, N'biising First Nation.



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OGIMAA KWE CLAIRE SAULT

Aanii,

As we close out the year, I reflect on the strength, resilience, and unity of our Nation. November has brought forward opportunities to honour our history, celebrate our progress, and deepen relationships that support our vision for a just and prosperous future. I'm pleased to share some of the key moments and initiatives that have shaped this month.

Gord Downie & Chanie Wenjack Legacy Space

We continue to support the creation of Legacy Spaces—safe and welcoming environments where Canadians can learn about the true history of Indigenous peoples, especially the impact of the residential school system. These spaces honour the memory of Chanie Wenjack, a young Anishinaabe boy who died in 1966 while trying to escape a residential school, and carry forward Gord Downie's mission to inspire reconciliation through education and storytelling.

Legacy Spaces are a call to action. They encourage dialogue, foster understanding, and build bridges between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities. I am proud that our Nation continues to lead in this important work.

HIGHLIGHTS & ENGAGEMENTS

MCFN Education Equity Human Rights Case

We are advancing a landmark case before the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal to address systemic inequities in education funding for First Nations children. This case is about justice, dignity, and ensuring our youth receive the same opportunities as every child in Canada.

Meeting with The Hon. Al Gore

I had the honour of participating in a climate-focused gathering hosted by The Atmospheric Fund, featuring The Hon. Al Gore. It was a powerful moment to share our Nation's leadership in climate action and sustainability and to share the values of MCFN.



Treaty 9 and the MacMartin Diary Exhibit

Honouring treaty is always the first week of November. The opening ceremony at Queen's Park for the Treaty 9 and MacMartin Diary exhibit was a moving experience. This display challenges colonial narratives and uplifts the oral histories of our Elders. More importantly, it was an opportunity to educate the public about treaties.

Indigenomics on Bay Street 2025

I joined fellow leaders at this premier economic event to celebrate the rise of Indigenous economic power. From the Market Close Ceremony at TMX to the Power Play Gala Dinner, the event showcased Indigenous-led innovation and governance. This was an opportunity to broaden the perspective of investors and show them possibilities for investing with First Nations.

Ombrello Solutions Partnership

We met with Ombrello Solutions to explore sustainable financing models for housing and biodiversity restoration—projects that reflect our treaty-forward approach to development.

MESSAGE FROM OGIMAA KWE

Royal Agricultural Winter Fair – Toronto

Our participation in the Royal Winter Fair highlighted Indigenous stewardship, food sovereignty, and cultural resilience. It was especially meaningful that the fair honoured Indigenous Veterans during the fair's commemorative events.

York University MOU

We renewed our **Memorandum of Understanding** with York University to establish a collaborative relationship focused on education, research, and cultural engagement. This partnership aims to support Indigenous inclusion in curriculum development, land-based learning, and community-driven initiatives. We need to continue to work closely with all universities on the shared commitment to reconciliation and provide the guidance of the Indigenous programs from our First Nation perspective.

UPCOMING ENGAGEMENTS

MCFN Elections – December 6

On December 6, our community will come together to elect the next leadership of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. I encourage all eligible members to take part in this important process. Your vote is your voice—an opportunity to help shape the future of our Nation and ensure your values and priorities are represented. Please remember to vote and make your voice heard.

Fall Chiefs Assembly

I will join leaders from across Ontario to discuss housing, education, justice, and environmental priorities.

Ontario Critical Minerals Forum

This forum will spotlight Indigenous equity in resource development and the future of clean energy.

First Nations Energy Symposium

A vital space for discussing Indigenous leadership in Canada's energy transition.

2025 PSAC National Women's Conference

Theme: "Women. United: Breaking Barriers and Building Futures."

I look forward to contributing to this important gathering, which celebrates Indigenous women's leadership and offers space for cultural teachings.

Weesageechak Begins to Dance Festival

We are proud to support Indigenous artists at this vibrant celebration of theatre and performance.

FIFA – Washington

I will be joining FIFA Global for the drawing of the teams who will play here in Ontario next June. I will be travelling with FIFA Secretariat Toronto and FIFA Canada for this important event.

As Chief of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, I remain committed to advancing our rights, protecting our lands, and building a future rooted in respect, reciprocity, and Indigenous excellence. I also reaffirm our dedication to transparency and accountability in all that we do—ensuring our decisions reflect the voices of our people and uphold the trust placed in our leadership.

Best wishes to all candidates in the upcoming election for the 2025-2027 term.

Chief Claire Sault

Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation

Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) & Council – Attendance November 2025

As per Chief & Council Honorarium Policy, Chief & Councillors allowed, per calendar year:

- 2 weeks of vacation (Two Tuesdays) (3 weeks of vacation for Chief)
- 3 weeks of sick leave (Three Tuesdays)
- 1 week of bereavement (1 Tuesday)



Chief/Councillor	Absent From Name of Meeting + Date	Sick/Vacation/ Bereavement Used
Ogimaa-Kwe Claire Sault		
Erma Ferrell		
Fawn Sault	Saturday, November 15th Regular Council Meeting	Joined the Meeting via Teams
Larry Sault	Saturday, November 15th Regular Council Meeting	Away on Other Council Business
Leslie (Sault) Maracle		
Jesse Herkimer	Saturday, November 15th Regular Council Meeting	Vacation
Ashley Sault		

Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) & Council – Attendance 2023-2025

Chief/ Councillor	Total # of Sick/ Absent	Total # of Join via Teams	Total # of Vacations	Total # of Away on Council Business	Total # of Late/ Left Early
Ogimaa-Kwe Claire Sault	0	11	1	5	1
Erma Ferrell	1	2	1	2	0
Fawn Sault	6	16	0	2	0
Larry Sault	0	0	0	14	2
Leslie (Sault) Maracle	3	8	1	5	0
Jesse Herkimer	1	0	2	1	0
Veronica King- Jamieson	3	9	0	4	0
Ashley Sault	2	6	2	1	0



Important Updates on Bill S-2 - An Act to Amend the Indian Act



On Thursday November 6, 2025 the Standing Senate Committee on Indigenous Peoples heard from the last group of witnesses as part of its ongoing consideration of Bill S-2 — legislation proposed by the federal government in direct response to a constitutional challenge in *Nicholas v. Canada*, which addressed the discrimination faced by families who had been enfranchised under earlier versions of the Indian Act.

If passed in its current form, the bill would:

- Restore registration rights to descendants of enfranchised individuals (in the same way as individuals without a family history of enfranchisement);
- Allow individuals to apply for deregistration;
- Support women and their descendants seeking to reaffiliate with their original First Nation; and
- Replace outdated language referring to “mentally incompetent Indians.”

These amendments are necessary, but witnesses have repeatedly made clear: the bill does not address the broader discrimination that continues to harm First Nations — including the second-generation cut-off.

At this meeting on November 6, Minister of Indigenous Services, Mandy Gull-Masty, was asked whether the federal government would prioritize an amended Bill S-2 to address the second-generation cut-off and other inequities. It was emphasized that nearly all witnesses have urged action because delays continue to cause severe, ongoing, and irreversible harm to children, families, and communities. It was also noted that asking the Senate to pass the bill without amendments would discard our constitutional duty to provide sober second thought and protect the rights of underrepresented groups. We cannot let this opportunity to amend the Indian Act pass — the rights of First Nations, and in particular the rights of First Nations women and children, must be protected.

The Minister did not confirm whether the government would prioritize the passage of Bill S-2 with amendments. It did not do so with

its predecessor, Bill C-38 (Civil Marriage Act), which made little progress over more than three years. The federal government has the choice to act quickly – it is doing so right now by expediting Bill C-3 (Citizenship Act), where it also needs to comply with a court order. This bill would let generations born abroad gain citizenship, while First Nations—who lived here long before Canada existed—cannot freely pass their legal status and identity to their children under the Indian Act.

On Tuesday November 18, the Standing Senate Committee on Indigenous Peoples will begin clause-by-clause consideration of Bill S-2, An Act to amend the Indian Act (new registration entitlements). This is when senators can propose amendments to repeal the second-generation cut-off and once that is complete the Bill will go back to Cabinet for any final details.

INCLUSIVE LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE

As portfolio holder for this file, I have stayed very busy with high level political and corporate meetings here in the community and externally in Toronto and beyond. As an elected official, I have a duty to protect the interests of you, our members, and the future generations as best I possibly can.

Every gathering that I speak at, I make it very clear that Mississaugas of the Credit is the **sole treaty holder** of 8 Pre-Confederation treaties our ancestors signed with the British Crown dating back to 1781. Every one of these treaties were entered into before Canada was a Nation State. I say this because there is so much confusion going on right now about who is the rightful treaty holder within the Greater Golden Horseshoe.

LIBERAL PARTY OF CANADA (ONTARIO)

On Friday November 14 and Saturday November 15, I was opening speaker for the Liberal Party of Canada (Ontario Convention). I had the pleasure of speaking directly to Minister **Evan Solomon** who is responsible for Federal Economic Development Agency

for Southern Ontario. FedDev Ontario helps businesses and organizations in Canada's most populous region. More importantly, Evan Solomon is also responsible for Artificial Intelligence and Innovation. It is said that Artificial Intelligence is quickly emerging as a new pathway forward, holding as much transformative potential as the cars and roadways did almost a century ago. Mississaugas of the Credit must be prepared to enter this space. As such we are in the midst of having a face-to-face meeting with Minister Solomon to talk about pilot opportunities.

I also had the pleasure of meeting **Rechie Valdez** Minister of Women and Gender Equity, Small Business and Tourism. As a younger newly elected MP, she spoke of her experience as the first Filipino woman to be elected to Parliament.

Gregor Robertson, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure, Pacific Economic Development and the Canada Infrastructure Bank of course spoke about the huge housing crisis Canada finds itself in at this time and how they have been executing their plans to deal with the problem of homelessness and affordable homes for families in need.

Melanie Joly, Foreign Affairs and Industry Minister presented to 750 Liberal delegates from 122 Ridings in Ontario the ongoing budget discussions and vote in Parliament on Monday November 17, 2025. Of course, by the time you read this report the vote will have taken place, but there was a sense that it may not pass. If that happens, another federal election would possibly be triggered. She also spoke about ongoing negotiations with United States war on tariffs and how Canada is preparing for rebuilding their own economies and trade in the global marketplace.

LIBERAL PARTY INDIGENOUS PEOPLES COMMISSION (IPC ONTARIO)

The highlight of Saturday November 15 was for me to welcome the IPC delegates to our treaty homelands and present remarks about present day realities in government relations.

The Indigenous Peoples Commission of the Liberal Party of Canada acts as a formal voice for Indigenous members within the party, aiming to influence policy that reflects the interests of First Nations. The commission was created to provide a structure for Indigenous representation within a federal political party.

It was established as the first political party in Canada to formally recognize the unique place of Indigenous Peoples.

After the formal breakfast meeting, I had an opportunity to meet directly with members of the IPC to discuss issues of recruitment, policy development, struggles of making our voices heard and acted upon. I made it very clear to these executives that a leadership approach that remains rooted in grievance rather than governance is not the way to go in this politically challenged time we are in. My goal in these types of conversations is to always keep our community at the heart of futuristic thinking: Seven Generations.

I will be participating as opening speaker at the Ontario Critical Minerals Forum taking place on November 18-19 in downtown Toronto. This venue brings together senior mining executives, investors, Indigenous rights-holders, and government stakeholders to explore practical strategies for advancing Ontario's position in the global critical minerals market and indigenous partnerships.

On November 20-21 I will be bringing welcoming remarks to the Ninth Annual IESO First Nations Energy Symposium. This gathering brings together First Nation leaders, community members, and energy partners from across Ontario for dialogue and knowledge-sharing on the evolving energy landscape and Indigenous communities' role in shaping it. Members should be aware that MCFN has revenue generating partnerships in Nanticoke Solar, Oneida Energy Storage, and Niagara Reinforcement Line. We are presently in negotiations for equity partnership in the Toronto third transmission line and LT2 projects.



October 23 – Credit Valley in person meeting

A meeting for the Doodem's along the Credit River was held on October 23 in Mississauga. The Credit Valley Conservation Authority is working with a large committee to create Doodem structures along the Credit River. The first Doodem structure was the Crain at Island Lake, in Orangeville. The next design will be the Fish Doodem and will be constructed along the Credit River near Caledon, ON. Darin Wybenga, former Chief Carolyn King, Craig King, the late Elder Garry Sault, his wife Tina, Jordan Jamieson and I have assisted in providing suggestions for design of the Crane Doodem in Orangeville and we are assisting with the Caledon site. Completion is planned for late 2026.

October 28 – Fort York

Adam LaForme and I met with the staff of Toronto Museum Services on October 28. Tara Chadwick interviewed Adam and I and created a video with us to share our process on Repatriating a Bandolier Bag. The Bag once belonged to Rev. Peter Jones. Thank you to Daniel King for bringing this item to our attention. Work continues on the repatriation of items with Adam, Adrian Blake, Lisa Sault, Jordan Jamieson and my role is the Chair of the working committee.

November 1 – Town of Lincoln

On Saturday November 1, I travelled to the Town of Lincoln to be part of their official opening of Sho'arishon Park. The name is from a First Nation Leader from the "Neutral" Nation in the early 1600's. By the 1650's the Neutral were nearly wiped out by disease from the European settlers. The devastation of the disease led to the Neutrals joining other First Nations.

Our receptionist Brianna LaForme created beadwork to be sewn onto the Major's Chain. Thank you, Brianna, for a great job! Your work was greatly appreciated by Mayor Sandra Eaton.



November 3, 2025 – Lt. Governor's office- Queen's Park, Toronto.

On Monday November 3, I joined Ogiima Kwe Claire Sault at Queen's Park to be part of Treaty Week. Members from Treaty 9 (the James Bay Treaty – 1905 & 1930) were welcomed at Toronto with the assistance of the Archives of Ontario. Treaty 9 Members were able to view their Treaty in the Lt. Governor's Chambers. This was the first time since the signing of the Treaty that the Members had an opportunity to view the document. Not all of the requests by Members of Treaty 9 were included in the document.

November 9 – MCFN Veterans Ceremony

On Sunday November 9, we gathered under a tent near the Veteran Monuments to acknowledge each Veteran during a roll call. Our Chief Ogiima Kwe Claire Sault provided opening remarks. Tina and Sanford Sault provided comforting words on the loss of Elder Garry; thank you for sharing. M.C. Jesse Herkimer read each Veteran's name to pay tribute for their service, as we know not everyone returned home. A hot lunch was provided by Jenny and Kelly Henry. Thank you ladies for a tasty meal. Our librarian and former Chief Carolyn King provided a Veteran's display in the Council House.

November 11 – Hamilton Cenotaph

The Veterans Association of Hamilton hosted a Ceremony on November 11, 2025, at Gore Park. I attended on behalf of Ogiima Kwe Claire Sault as she was at a ceremony in Toronto, providing remarks on our Veterans. My role was to lay a wreath that was made by students from Queen Victoria School in Hamilton.

November 14 – Indigenous Arts Festival

A preliminary meeting was held virtually on November 14, 2025, to begin discussions on the 2026, Indigenous Arts Festival. The festival is generally held at Fort York. In 2026, FIFA 26, will be taking over Fort York beginning in June and we will need to look for another venue.

We are hoping to secure another location that will allow us to schedule events around June 19th and 20th. Further details will be provided by the organizers of the Indigenous Arts Festival.

November 20 – FIFA 2026

In 2026 FIFA (the World Champion organization), will be hosting a few games in Toronto and in British Columbia. Councillor Larry Sault, Senior Director Veronica King Jamieson, and I have been attending virtual meetings to arrange our Nation's participation in opening ceremonies and preparing our Members for additional events.

November 20 – Toronto Islands

The working committee for the refurbishment of the Toronto Islands took place on November 20.. The meeting was held in person and virtually. Those on the committee will provide input on what areas on the Toronto Islands should be looked at. The working group will continue providing input during the 2026 calendar year.



It's hard to believe that we're almost through 2025. But I see snow on the ground and seasonal decorations in the halls, so it must be December!

Since I arrived at MCFN in July as the Chief Administrative Officer, I've been learning about all the great things going on at MCFN and how we support members both on- and off-reserve. While you may not always see all the activity, I can tell you that this is a very busy place to work.

I'd like to take this space to share with you just a few examples of the MCFN team's recent accomplishments.

Communications

Our weekly and monthly video series promoting the use of Anishinaabemowin has been particularly successful; October's "Word of the Month" video surpassed 70,000 views, with new language videos every week, including the "Word of the Week/Phrase of the Month" series.

You may also have seen our social media campaign for Restorative Justice Week, featuring Angie Hill.



Lifelong Learning

Earlier this fall, the Early Years team coordinated a successful Annual Children's Pow Wow on the territory, hosting approximately 350 guests. All children from MCFN child care centres (ECC & MMCC), the EarlyON Child and Family program, and the LSK Kindergarten Program were in attendance. A coordinated effort saw MCFN secondary school students volunteer, allowing them to accumulate valuable community service hours.



Department of Consultation & Accommodation (DOCA)

The team has continued to raise awareness of MCFN's enduring presence throughout its treaty lands and territory. In addition to regular engagement at events throughout MCFN treaty lands, the team is collaborating with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario and a land acknowledgment is being developed for the location of the Lieutenant Governor's office.

Economic Development

The department is hosting a Holly Jolly Market for 18 days in December at Unit 106B of the MCFN plaza. In addition to the market itself, the event is intended to spread some “Unity in the Community” leading up to Christmas. Information booths will be set up by OPP, Metrolinx, and MCFN staff. There will also be a food drive with donations going to the Hagersville Food Bank.



Health Services

The Community Health Program held its Annual Flu Clinic on Friday Nov 14th. This drop-in Flu Clinic will help reduce the spread of the flu virus, and we plan additional dates and times, so please keep an eye out for opportunities to get your flu shot!

Additionally, Health Services now offers medical transportation services to MCFN members. Please contact MCFN Health Services directly to receive transportation services – and please share any feedback you may have as we work to improve those services for all members.

And, in collaboration with Public Works, we finalized several key infrastructure projects in and around the school and community centre:

- Rejuvenating the Community Track at LSK;
- Rubberizing the LSK lower playground surface; and
- Completing parking lot improvements in the LSK/Community Centre complex.

This is just a small sample of the great things the MCFN team has been working on.

I'll share more with you in the newsletter each month, but if there is something you'd like to hear about or see more of, please feel free to contact me directly.

My email address is adam.mcdonald@mncfn.ca or you can call me at the administration offices: 905-768-1133.



MCFN Invites Community Input on Anishinaabemowin Revitalization

The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) is taking an important step forward in the revitalization of Anishinaabemowin through the work of its Anishinaabe Language Revitalization Working Group. As part of its community-led planning process, the Working Group recently hosted an Anishinaabe Language Revitalization Drop-In Session on Wednesday, December 3, 2025, in the Early Years Boardroom at 659 New Credit Road.

The session welcomed MCFN members to ask questions, share their perspectives, complete the Survey of Interest, and apply to sit on the Working Group. The input gathered during the event will help shape a new five-year plan dedicated to strengthening the language across the community.

The initiative is rooted in the belief that a strong future for MCFN includes a strong foundation in Anishinaabemowin. The purpose of the Working Group is to develop a comprehensive, community-driven five-year language plan that provides clear strategies and long-term support for revitalizing Anishinaabemowin.

Its goals include increasing fluency and the number of speakers, creating immersive learning opportunities through both classroom instruction and land-based experiences, and establishing training pathways for future language instructors. The work also includes documenting the dialect specific to the Mississaugas of the Credit so it can be preserved and carried forward for generations.

Community members have consistently identified language revitalization as a priority, recognizing its essential role in cultural well-being, identity, and healing. Strengthening Anishinaabemowin is more than a linguistic project—it is a way of reconnecting with traditional knowledge, affirming who we are as a people, and ensuring future generations grow up with access to their ancestral language.

Chi-miigwech to all who attended the drop-in session and contributed their voices to this important effort. Community feedback will guide a plan that reflects the needs, hopes, and strengths of MCFN.

For more information, please contact Kelly Henry at kelly.henry@mncfn.ca.

NOTICE:

**ALL GARBAGE/RECYCLING
WILL BE COLLECTED ON
THE REGULAR COLLECTION
DAYS DURING THE
CHRISTMAS SHUT DOWN.**

**PLEASE HAVE ALL YOUR
GARBAGE & RECYCLING
AT CURBSIDE ON
WEDNESDAY DECEMBER
24, 2025 AND WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 31, 2025 BY
8:00 A.M.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
COOPERATION.**

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If you have any garbage/recycling questions over the holidays, please contact:
Steve Crevits • 905-302-1690 • Steve.Crevits@emterra.ca

Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre Highlights & Upcoming Events

Supervisor: Shannon King

Assistant Supervisor: Pam Bomberry



We had such a fun and festive Halloween! First, we were invited to join LSK in their parade, and afterwards we visited all the buildings to trick-or-treat. The children had an amazing time and gathered so many treats. Miigwech to everyone who joined in the Halloween spirit with us!



In November, ECC held a blanket drive to support the less fortunate and those experiencing homelessness. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we collected over 50 blankets and five boxes of hand and foot warmers, all of which will be distributed to those in need. We would like to say chi-miigwech to everyone who donated.



This month, EarlyON will be running a food drive, and ECC will be collecting non-perishable food items to help contribute. We are also planning a special visit from Santa this month—we're just waiting to confirm when he'll be able to stop by.

Our forest playground continues to be a favourite place to explore and spend time together. Miigwech to Hudson and his family for the generous tire donations for our play space!



Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre Registration Information

Wait List Eligibility Criteria and Procedure

The waiting list application form is available through the MCFN website or at the ECC office, or by emailing your request to Shannon.King@mncfn.ca or Pam.Bomberry@mncfn.ca for an electronic copy.

There is no charge for the waiting list application. Children are placed on the waiting list in accordance with the 'Priority Requirements Chart' and then by the date and/or time of the completed forms received at ECC. When a space becomes available, the ECC Supervisor or Assistant Supervisor will contact the family.

Please Note: Expectant parents are welcome to register their unborn child on the waiting list to be placed in priority sequence.

Maawdoo Maajaamin Child Care Centre Highlights & Upcoming Events

Supervisor: Kate Schroder, RECE

Assistant Supervisor: Greg Montour, RECE



The children have been having a wonderful time visiting the Big Drum on Wednesdays in the small gym at Hagersville Secondary School! They eagerly gather to watch and listen as the performers sing and drum, soaking in the rhythms and melodies. Almost immediately, the music inspires them to get up, move, and dance alongside their friends, filling the space with laughter, energy, and joy.

The excitement from the Big Drum experience has carried over into their creative play. Building on their Halloween adventures, the children were inspired to design and construct their very own pumpkin shop. This project gave them a chance to explore their interests, practice teamwork, and use their imaginations to bring their ideas to life—turning a simple concept into a vibrant, hands-on learning experience.



With the early snowfall, the children also had the chance to practice their snowman-making skills in our new playground. They rolled and stacked snowballs with great enthusiasm, although the warmer weather meant the snowballs didn't last long and soon disappeared. Even so, the activity offered a fun, hands-on way to explore winter play, cooperation, and creativity.

Through music, imaginative projects, and outdoor winter play, the children are developing confidence, collaboration skills, and a love for learning that extends far beyond the classroom walls.

Maawdoo Maajaamin Child Care Centre Registration Information

Wait List Eligibility Criteria and Procedure

The waiting list application form is available through the Haldimand Norfolk County Childcare Registry (One List) <https://onehsn.com/Haldimandnorfolk/Account/Register>

There is no charge for the waiting list application. Children are placed on the waiting list in accordance with the 'Priority Requirements Chart' and then by the date and/or time of the completed forms received by Maawdoo Maajaamin Child Care (MMCC).

When spaces become available, the family will be contacted by the MMCC Supervisor or Assistant Supervisor.

MCFN EarlyON Highlights and Upcoming Events

"We believe in the potential of every child, the value of play, and the importance of attachment in the development and well-being of children..."



Are you hoping to get out of the house, meet other parents and caregivers, and give your little ones (ages 0–6) new experiences?

Come join us at **MCFN EarlyON**! We're a **free, friendly, and supportive** space where you and your children can explore, play, learn, and grow together. Enjoy activities, make new friends, and be part of a caring community! Whether you're coming for the first time or returning for another visit, there's always something new to discover. We can't wait to welcome you and your little ones!

Be sure to check out our monthly calendar on the next page and follow us on Facebook: MCFN EARLYON



Indigenous Reads Book of the Month:



Beneath the
Surface
by
Stacey
Laforme

For more info:
bookclub@mncfn.ca

Children's Book of the Month:



Big and Small
with
Northwest
Coast Native
Art

November was a warm and cozy month for us here at EarlyON! We began the month with Fall Yoga, a relaxing way for families to connect and embrace the change of season. Our Positive Discipline in Everyday Parenting class offered caregivers valuable tools and strategies to support positive family dynamics. We started a wood working program for children ages 3-6. The children enjoyed hammering and building 3D objects! We are opening our new outdoor playground at HSS EarlyON - Shingwaakoong - "Place of the Pines." Come and check it out!

We also enjoyed a special Caregiver Night, where caregivers and staff gathered to create beautiful Christmas urns and share an evening of creativity, laughter, and connection. It was a wonderful way to kick off the holiday spirit together!





2025

December/HSS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9-11 Ginger Bread Loose parts 1-3 Outdoor Play	2 1-3 Play & Learn	3 9-11 Ice Painting 1-3 Play & Learn	4 9-11 Baby & Tot 1-3 Play & Learn	5 9-11 Lanterns 1-3 Play & Learn	6
7	8 9-11 Christmas Tree playdough 1-3 Outdoor Play	9 9-11 Candle Making 1-3 Play & Learn	10 9-11 Make a ornament 1-3 Play & Learn	11 9-11 Baby & Tot 1-3 Outdoor Play	12 9-11 Reindeer food 4:45- 5:45 Pizza/ parade	13
14	15 9-11 Christmas sweater day/ ginger bread house 1-3 Play & Learn	16 9-11 PJ Day 1-3 Play & Learn	17 9-11 Christmas activities	18 9-11 Baby & Tot 1-3 Outdoor Play	CLOSED	20
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Our HSS location is in Hagersville Secondary School at 70 Parkview Road in Hagersville.
Play and Learn is open weekdays from 9 - 11 a.m. & 1 - 3 p.m.



2025

December/HUB

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9-11 Hot Chocolate Ornaments 1-3 Play & Learn	2 1-3 Play & Learn 5-7 Dinner	3 9-11 Ginger Bread Play dough 1-3 Girls Hand Drum	4 9-11 Ginger bread loose parts 1-3 Outdoor Play	5 9-11 Decorate Xmas Cookies 1-3 Play & Learn	6
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Our HUB location is in the LSK and Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre Building at
659 New Credit Road Building 3C.

Play and Learn is open weekdays from 9 - 11 a.m. & 1 - 3 p.m.

Join us every other Tuesday from 1 - 3 p.m. and Family Dinner from 5 - 7 p.m.

Please register on KeyON to attend events at either location.

www.keyon.ca

EarlyON Family Insights of the Month: Alicia Herkimer & Family

I wanted to take a moment to share how much MCFN EarlyON has meant to Otis and I. We have been coming here since Otis was 8 months old, and over the years, this place has become a true extension of our family. The staff treat every child like their own, offering not just care and learning, but a sense of belonging and community that is so special.

What stands out most is the integration of culture into the programming. It has been such a gift to watch Otis learn about his Indigenous culture and the values, and traditions in such an authentic way. It's not just about learning stories and history, but also about connecting with the land, the seasons, and Anishinaabe teachings. These lessons have helped Otis grow in ways that are so much deeper than just academics.

We've also made some incredible friendships here. Both Otis and I have found a community that feels like home—one that celebrates diversity, respect, and connection. EarlyOn days are always our favourite days, and we are so grateful to be part of a place that honors the Anishinaabe culture and allows us to grow together as a family.

Miigwech to everyone who has made MCFN EarlyON what it is and to everyone who's been a part of our journey here!



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Lloyd S. King Elementary School November Highlights

November was a meaningful month for our school community. We gathered for a special Remembrance Day assembly to honour and reflect on the sacrifices of our war veterans. We were thankful to welcome guest speakers from the Royal Canadian Legion in Hagersville, whose stories and insights helped deepen our students' understanding of the importance of remembrance.

We also welcomed families into the school for Parent-Teacher Conferences to discuss First Term Progress Reports. Thank you to all who attended and continue to partner with us in supporting student learning, growth, and success.

Our Intermediate Volleyball Teams proudly represented LSK at a tournament with Six Nations schools. Students showcased excellent teamwork, sportsmanship, and school spirit—well done to all participants!

Looking Ahead:

Our Student Council is gearing up for 12 Days of Christmas at LSK. Staff and students can look forward to a variety of festive activities and events throughout December.

Scalloped Potatoes Take the Spotlight!

Food Service Lead: Jamie Busche



Last month Food Service was so excited to test out a true comfort-food champion: scalloped potatoes! Picture thin, tender potato slices swimming in a creamy, dreamy sauce and baking until they're bubbling and golden. It's the kind of dish that warms your hands, your heart, and maybe even your report card (well... almost). Whether you love them for their cozy flavor or their crispy edges, scalloped potatoes are proof that simple ingredients can still steal the show!

The food service team is always looking for fresh ideas to serve the children and to use all the leftover ingredients in the kitchen to combat food waste. Get ready kids, new recipes coming for the new year!

Magic in the Mud Kitchen: Learning, Creativity, and Connection in Kindergarten



In the heart of our kindergarten outdoor learning space, the mud kitchen has become one of the most popular—and powerful—places for our students to learn.

Playing with a mud kitchen is an incredibly valuable experience for kindergarten children, supporting both their learning and emotional development. As the students mix, pour, scoop, and create imaginary meals, they strengthen fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination, which are essential for writing and other classroom tasks. The open-ended nature of mud play also

promotes creativity, problem-solving, and language development as children describe their “recipes” and collaborate with peers. Socially, a mud kitchen encourages cooperation, turn-taking, and negotiation, helping children build positive relationships.



Perhaps most importantly, engaging with natural materials like mud has a calming, grounding effect—it allows children to explore sensory input in a soothing, unstructured way, which supports self-regulation and emotional resilience. Through play in a mud kitchen, children learn to manage their impulses, express their feelings, and develop the focus and confidence they need for success in the classroom.

This month the Kinder classes invited our families to visit our outdoor learning space and we were so happy to see our students creating with their families in our mud kitchens!



From The Post-Secondary Desk

Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Bursary Award Night

The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation recently hosted the Bursary Award Night Ceremony and Dinner, celebrating the achievements of our post-secondary students. The event was attended by students, their guests, Band Council members, Lifelong Learning staff, and representatives from our valued bursary partners.

This initiative began with the Niagara Region Limited Partnership (NRLP), which established a bursary rooted in the Grandfather Teachings that form the foundation of Anishinaabe culture. Building on this, Lifelong Learning introduced four additional bursaries to represent all seven Grandfather Teachings.

Further expanding the program, four bursaries were created to reflect the four directions of the Medicine Wheel: East, South, West, and North. In September 2023, a resolution was passed to honor the late Julie Ann LaForme with an annual bursary in her name. Julie Ann was an exceptional community member whose selfless contributions embodied respect, honor, and dedication to preserving our stories. This bursary recognizes students who exemplify these qualities.

The most recent additions to the bursary program stem from a partnership with Northcrest Developments, which purchased the 370-acre Downsview Airport Lands—now YZD. As part of their commitment to Indigenous Reconciliation, Northcrest partnered with MCFN to establish the YZD Education Fund. This fund supports the academic pursuits of MCFN students both on and off reserve, helping them achieve their post-secondary goals.

Free Online Learning Opportunity

Lambton College offers a FREE online learning series titled Need to Know for Young Adults. These short courses provide essential life skills for all ages, covering topics such as employee rights, tenant rights, budgeting, and more.

For more information, contact Angel White at Contact North: 1-855-833-0108 granddriver@contactnorth.ca

A reminder that living allowances are deposited into your account in mid-December for the month of January.

Also **report cards/transcripts are due by January 10th**. They must have your name, school name, and term visible. If you know your transcripts will be late, please contact the office prior to December 19th and let us know. A reminder to upload your winter '26 schedules as soon as you receive them.

Applications	Open	Close
Spring/Summer (May-August)	December 1st	February 1st
Fall (September-December)	April 1st	May 1st
Winter (January-April)	August 1st	October 1st

Awards Night for MCFN Post-Secondary Students

The 2nd annual ceremony and dinner was held on Nov 29th to recognize the following MCFN Post-Secondary students for their perseverance and dedication:

Niagara Reinforcement Limited Partnership (NRLP) bursaries went to the following students as well as 3 Grandfather Teachings.

- **Cameron King** • Respect/Minaadendamowin
- **Daniella Kendry** • Bravery/Aakode'ewin
- **Craig Dalmer** • Humility/Dabaadendiziwin

4 Grandfather Teaching Awards went to:

- **Nadine LaForme** • Truth/Debwewin
- **Megan LaForme** • Love/Zaagi'idiwin
- **Chase Leclerc** • Wisdom/Nibwaakaawin
- **Stephen McIsaac** • Honesty/Gwayakwaadiziwin

4 Direction awards went to:

- **Madison Gagne** • East/Wabanang
- **Niomie Cronk** • South/Zhaawanang
- **Noah Clarke-Fearman** • North/Giiwednang
- **Sheyrl Racette** • West/Ebangishmok

YZD Northcrest Education Fund went to the following students for their community knowledge and involvement:

- **Carly Sardine**
- **Craig Dahmer**
- **Nadine LaForme**
- **Stephen MacIsaac**

Julie Ann LaForme Memorial Award is in honour of our beloved MCFN Band Member who left us far too soon. She was dedicated to her work in the Lands and Membership department and community. Her career spanned many years with compassion for the membership.

- This was awarded to **Heather LaForme** for her hard work and dedication as she pursues her PhD.



Lifelong Learning Administration

The LSK Christmas concert will be on December 15th.
Student holiday on December 19th. Christmas vacation begins.

Secondary School Updates

Holidays for Grand Erie, Six Nations Polytechnic Secondary School (formerly STEAM), and Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board close for Christmas break on December 19th and return on January 5th.

MCFN staff begin holidays on December 19th at noon and return to work on January 5th.

Season's Greetings from Lifelong Learning

As we approach the holiday season, Lifelong Learning extends warm wishes to all community members. May your celebrations be filled with joy, peace, and togetherness. We look forward to continuing our shared journey of learning and growth in the coming year.

From all of us at Lifelong Learning Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
Patti, Pet, Bernadette, Melissa and Angela.

See you all in January Manidoo-giizis!
We welcome the new year 2026 with new beginnings.





Life Events of Registered MCFN Members

LIFE EVENTS ARE BIRTHS,
MARRIAGES, DIVORCES, NAME
CHANGES AND DEATHS.

Birth

In order for your child to be registered on the Mississaugas of the Credit membership list you must register the birth with Indigenous Services Canada (ISC). You can submit all required documents to the MCFN Lands & Membership Department or mail directly to ISC.

Only those entitled to registration on the MCFN membership list will be registered. ISC will notify you if your child is not eligible for registration.

Marriage

To register your marriage you must submit a request for amendment form, a copy of your marriage certificate and copies of your identification showing your married name. You can submit all required documents to the MCFN Lands & Membership Department or mail directly to ISC.

Divorce

To register your divorce you must submit a request for amendment form, a copy of your divorce certificate and copies of your identification showing your maiden name. You can submit all required documents to the MCFN Lands & Membership Department or mail directly to ISC.

Name Change

To register a name change you must submit a request for amendment form, a copy of the name change certificate and copies of your identification showing your new name. You can submit all required documents to the MCFN Lands & Membership Department or mail directly to ISC.

Death

When a Mississaugas of the Credit member passes away the death must be registered with Indigenous Services Canada. If a death is not reported the deceased individual will remain on the MCFN membership list. You can submit a death certificate to the MCFN Lands & Membership Dept. or to ISC.

For more information call Lands and
Membership at 905-768-0100

* Please be aware there is a delay in all life events
submitted to ISC.



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Overview of Sections 6(1) and 6(2) of the Indian Act



6(1)(a) - Entitlement of person who was registered or entitled to be registered on or before April 17, 1985

6(1)(a.1) - Reinstatement of individuals whose names were omitted or deleted from the Indian Register, or a band list prior to September 4, 1951.

6(1)(a.2) - that person meets the following conditions:

(i) they were born female during the period beginning on September 4, 1951 and ending on April 16, 1985 and their parents were not married to each other at the time of the birth,

(ii) their father was at the time of that person's birth entitled to be registered or, if he was no longer living at that time, was at the time of death entitled to be registered, and

(iii) their mother was not at the time of that person's birth entitled to be registered;

6(1)(a.3) - that person is a direct descendant of a person who is, was or would have been entitled to be registered under paragraph (a.1) or (a.2) and

(i) they were born before April 17, 1985, whether or not their parents were married to each other at the time of the birth, or

(ii) they were born after April 16, 1985 and their parents were married to each other at any time before April 17, 1985;

6(1)(b) - Entitlement for individuals who are members of a group declared to be a Band after April 17, 1985

6(1)(d) - Reinstatement for an individual who was enfranchised by voluntary application prior to April 17, 1985

6(1)(e) - Reinstatement for an individual that was enfranchised prior to September 4, 1951 for reasons of living abroad for 5 or more years without the consent of the Superintendent General or becoming ministers, doctors, lawyers ("professionals" only until 1920)

6(1)(f) - Entitlement for children with both parents entitled to registration

6(2) - Entitlement for children when only one parent is entitled to registration under 6(1) and the other parent is not entitled to registration.



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Community Wellness Distribution 2025/2026



MCFN Council has approved \$1,500.00 for the 2025-2026 Community Wellness distribution.

LANDS AND MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT

The 2025-2026 Community Wellness applications will be available in office (6 First Line) and online at www.mncfn.ca starting @ 9:00 a.m. on April 1, 2025.

THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE WILL ONLY APPLY TO THE 2025-2026 COMMUNITY WELLNESS:

- **Application forms and required documents** will be accepted via email, mail, or in person at the Lands & Membership office (6 First Line) beginning April 1, 2025 @ 9:00 a.m. A mail slot is available at the office for after-hours drop off.
- **FAXED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
- Quotes, estimates and/or receipts are **REQUIRED**. Quotes, estimates and/or receipts must be dated April 1, 2025 or later. If registered after April 1st, 2025, quotes, estimates and/or receipts must be dated on or after the date of registration.
- *The new 2025-2026 Community Wellness application form for \$1,500.00 must be used. Applications will not be accepted if other forms are used.*
- Direct deposit is the preferred method of payment (CANADIAN ACCOUNTS ONLY). Your name must appear on your void cheque or direct deposit form **NO EXCEPTIONS**. If your name is **NOT** on your void cheque or direct deposit form, a cheque will be mailed to you. Not applicable if there are no changes to your banking information.
- Ensure the payment option is clearly indicated. Failure to clearly indicate cheque mail out or direct deposit will result in a delay in processing your application(s).
- If you have requested a cheque, it will be mailed to you. Please ensure your address is complete. Ensure to include street number, street name, city, postal/zip code, apt/unit number is applicable.
- Payments will be issued within 4 – 6 weeks, upon confirmation that all required documents have been received.

Acceptable Valid ID (MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF THE **FRONT & BACK** OF ID)

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Birth certificate• Status card• Health card• Driver's license• Provincial Photo ID Card	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Employee ID, with digitized photo• Student ID, with digitized photo• Firearms license• Passport or Nexus card
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Phone: 1-905-768-0100

Email: cw@mncfn.ca

Mailing address: LM/Community Wellness, 2789 Mississauga Rd., Hagersville, ON NOA 1H0

Community Wellness Distribution New Application for Minors - 2025/2026

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COMMUNITY WELLNESS EXPENSE CLAIM FORM-MINOR (Newborn-17 Years) 2025-2026

Mailing Address: LM/Community Wellness 2789 Mississauga Rd., Hagersville, ON N0A 1H0

Email: cw@mncfn.ca

- ** All applications must include front and back copies/pictures of 1 piece of **VALID** minor ID and 1 piece of **VALID** parent/guardian photo ID. Please ensure that all information on each ID is **clearly** visible. **QUOTES, ESTIMATES AND/OR RECEIPTS ARE REQUIRED. MUST BE DATED APRIL 1, 2025 OR LATER.** If registered after April 1st, 2025, quotes, estimates, and/or receipts must be dated on or after the date of registration.**
- ** Custody, CAS, guardianship, decision-making authority documents etc. must be included with each minor application (if applicable). Payments for minor children will be issued to the applying parent/guardian.**
- ** To avoid delays in processing, ensure that all sections are complete, application is signed and all required/supporting documents accompany your application. Ensure payment option is clearly indicated.**

CHILD'S FULL NAME (as it appears on Status Card):		CHILD'S REGISTRY NUMBER (10 Digit):	
FULL NAME OF LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN:		LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN'S REGISTRY NUMBER:	
COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS:		CHILD'S BIRTHDATE (YYYY-MM-DD): ____ / ____ / ____ YYYY MM DD	
LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN EMAIL ADDRESS:		LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN TELEPHONE NUMBER (including area code):	

CHOOSE A PAYMENT METHOD

<input type="checkbox"/> Cheque Mail Out (Ensure address is complete, including city and postal/zip code)	<input type="checkbox"/> Direct Deposit (Canada Only)* <input type="checkbox"/> On File <input type="checkbox"/> New Account (Include void cheque or direct deposit form)
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X	Total Receipts:
Parent/Guardian Signature Date:	Amount: \$ 1,500.00

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Documents provided for identity of child and parent/guardian: Department's Initials _____

☐ CIS/SCIS ☐ DL ☐ HC ☐ BC ☐ Prov. Photo ID Card ☐ Passport ☐ Other ID (_____)
☐ Proof of Custody/Guardianship **Parent/Guardian ID** ☐ CIS/SCIS ☐ DL ☐ HC ☐ Passport ☐ Photo ID Card

Amount Claimed:		Remaining Balance:	
1500	00	0	00

Account Number:	64 300
Dept. Number:	100 030
Cheque Number:	
Cheque Date:	

Date Received _____

Department Signature: _____

Community Wellness Distribution New Application for Adults - 2025/2026

MISSISSAUGAS OF THE CREDIT FIRST NATION

COMMUNITY WELLNESS EXPENSE CLAIM FORM - ADULT 2025-2026

Mailing Address: LM/Community Wellness 2789 Mississauga Rd., Hagersville, ON N0A 1H0

Email: cw@mncfn.ca

- ** All applications must include front and back copies/pictures of 2 pieces of **VALID** ID, one being photo ID. Please ensure that all information on each ID is **clearly** visible. **QUOTES, ESTIMATES AND/OR RECEIPTS ARE REQUIRED. MUST BE DATED APRIL 1, 2025 OR LATER.** If registered after April 1st, 2025, quotes, estimates and/or receipts must be dated on or after the date of registration.**
- ** POA documents must be included with each application (if applicable). POA must also include front and back copies/pictures of 1 piece of **VALID** photo ID.**
- ** To avoid delays in processing, ensure that all sections are complete and legible, application is signed, and all required/supporting documents accompany your application. Ensure payment option is clearly indicated.**

FULL NAME (as it appears on Status Card):	REGISTRY NUMBER (10 Digit):
COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS:	BIRTHDATE (YYYY-MM-DD): <div style="text-align: center;"> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 100px; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 10px; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 100px; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 10px; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 100px; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 10px; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> </div> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;"> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 100px; text-align: center;">YYYY</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 10px; text-align: center;">MM</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 100px; text-align: center;">DD</div> </div>
EMAIL ADDRESS:	TELEPHONE NUMBER (including area code):

CHOOSE A PAYMENT METHOD

<input type="checkbox"/> Cheque Mail Out (Ensure address is complete, including city and postal/zip code)	<input type="checkbox"/> Direct Deposit (Canada Only)* <input type="checkbox"/> On File <input type="checkbox"/> New Account (Include void cheque or direct deposit form)
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I hereby authorize the use of my address/email for various MCFN initiatives (such as. Voter's List, MCFN Community Trust, Eagle Press Newsletter, Governance Community Engagement, Internal Department's use). Under no circumstances will MCFN share my personal information with outside agencies. ☐ (MCFN MEMBERS PLEASE INITIAL HERE)

<div style="font-size: 2em; color: red; font-weight: bold; margin-bottom: 10px;">X</div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"><i>Signature</i></div> <div style="width: 45%;"><i>Date:</i></div> </div>	Total Receipts: Amount: \$ 1,500.00
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Documents provided for identity: _____ Department's Initials _____
☐ CIS/SCIS ☐ DL ☐ HC ☐ BC ☐ Prov. Photo ID Card ☐ Passport ☐ Other ID (_____)
☐ Proof of POA/Decision-Making Authority

Amount Claimed:		Remaining Balance:	
1500	00	0	00

Account Number:	64 300
Dept. Number:	100 030
Cheque Number:	
Cheque Date:	

Date Received _____

Department Signature: _____

Lost or Stolen CIS/SCIS Cards



Lost or stolen CIS/SCIS cards are to be reported to the Lands & Membership office at 6 First Line in Hagersville or (905) 768-0100.

A 3-week waiting period will take effect from the date that it was reported to Lands & Membership.

If the CIS/SCIS card was still valid
when it was lost or stolen:
the 3-week waiting period will apply.

If the CIS/SCIS card was expired
when it was lost or stolen:
the 3-week waiting period will NOT apply.

If a valid police report is filed and provided to
Lands & Membership,
the 3-week waiting period may be waived.

**Status Cards are only processed at the
Lands & Membership office on
Thursdays & Fridays • 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Miigwech for your understanding.



Anishinaabemowin

Phrase of the Month

Each month, we'll share a new Anishinaabemowin phrase on MCFN's Facebook and Instagram to incorporate into your daily life.

Here's the phrase of the month for December:

Aapji gimiigwechwenimin

which means

I am thankful for you

We're also posting a Word of the Week on Mondays to keep the learning going.

Practice saying it, use it in your daily life, and keep the language alive!

SOCIAL & HEALTH DECEMBER CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 ASP Yoga MCFN Community Centre 6 - 7 p.m.	2 ASP Infant Massage Water Testing Budgeting 1 on 1 Turtle Room 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.	3 Safe Food Handler's Course MCFN Community Centre Boardroom 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Beading Group Gathering Room 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. After School Skate 4-4:50 @ CPA	4 ASP	5 ASP Community Christmas Party MCFN Community Centre 5 p.m.	6
7 Breakfast with Santa MCFN Community Centre 10-11:30 a.m.	8 ASP Women's Group Yoga MCFN Community Centre 6 - 7 p.m.	9 ASP Infant Massage Water Testing Budgeting 1 on 1 Turtle Room 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Men's Group	10 ASP BFSG SAD Lunch & Learn 12 - 1:30 p.m. Beading Group Gathering Room 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. After School Skate 4-4:50 @ CPA	11 ASP Christmas Craft Night MCFN Community Centre 5 - 8 p.m.	12 ASP Euchre MCFN Carling for Self-Day MCFN Community Centre 1 p.m. - 7 p.m.	13
14	15 ASP Women's Group Yoga MCFN Community Centre 6 - 7 p.m.	16 ASP Infant Massage Water Testing Men's Group	17 ASP Beading Group Gathering Room 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. After School Skate 4-4:50 @ CPA	18 ASP Christmas Craft Night MCFN Community Centre 5 - 8 p.m.	19 MCFN Offices Closed @ 12pm	20
21	22 MCFN Offices Closed Until Jan 5, 2026	23	24 After School Skate 4-4:50 @ CPA	25 Merry Christmas!	26 Boxing Day	27
28	29	30	31		Community Support Mental Health Ontario Works Family Support Community Health Home & Community Care (HCC)	

Community Health • Home & Community Care (HCC) • Ontario Works • Community Support • Mental Health • Breast Feeding Support Group (BFSG)
Infant Massage Every Tuesday by Appointment



MCFN SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT PRESENTS:

THE HOLLY JOLLY MARKET

FIND A GIFT FOR
EVERYONE!

Stop by for a gift, a meal,
or conversation. We have a
vision board in the Holly Jolly
Headquarters. Put an ornament on
the tree of what you'd like to see in
the community. Bring your family,
bring your friends, and get ready
for a taste of the Christmas spirit at
MCFN!

Vendor spaces are still available for MCFN
members and surrounding areas.
Spaces indoors and outdoors for food trucks!

For more information please contact Amanda
at: Amanda.Laforme@mncfn.ca
or 905-768-2232



MCFN PLAZA
78 1st Line,
Hagersville
UNIT # 106B

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dec. 1 to Dec 6

Dec. 8 to Dec. 13

Dec. 15 to Dec. 20

CLOSED SUNDAYS

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BREAKFAST WITH SANTA!

MCFN families, join us for Breakfast with Santa and celebrate the Christmas season with fun for all ages!

Enjoy a delicious breakfast, exciting door prizes, horse and buggy rides, photos with Santa, a craft table, Indian cookie decorating and festive face painting!

Sunday,
December 7th, 2025

10 - 11:30 a.m.

MCFN Community
Centre

For more information,
please contact:
Beth King
905-768-1181



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SEASONAL AFFECTIVE DISORDER LUNCH & LEARN

Wednesday, December 10th

12 - 1:30 p.m.

Social & Health

Upper Level Boardroom

Join us for an informative presentation on Seasonal Affective Disorder presented by a social worker from Haldimand Family Health Team!

Light lunch and refreshments provided

Limited spots available - register with Laura-Lee by December 8th!

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To register, please contact
Laura-Lee, CHR at:
905-768-1181 ext. 4241, or
lauralee.kelly@mncfn.ca





Gloria Brydges

Clairvoyant Medium

Friday, December 12th • 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Social & Health, Little Turtle Room

To provide MCFN Members and respite caregivers healing of closure from a loved one who has entered the spirit world with one-on-one appointments.

Community members who have **NOT** seen Gloria will have priority.

Light refreshments provided

Registration for this event will be open for
ONE DAY ONLY
Tuesday, December 9th
8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

For more information or to register contact
Chelsea King:
226 387 8424
Chelsea.King@mncfn.ca



**WENII
NAGDOWENDIS-DAA!**

**LET'S TAKE
GOOD CARE
OF
OURSELVES!**

Come out, relax, and let someone else take care of you for an afternoon - let's start this December off with the intention of caring for self!

Enjoy some hot traditional teas, medicine teachings, storytelling, crafts, and games while learning about your history.

Haircuts, massages, reflexology, and many more services for you to enjoy!

No duplication of services if there are two of the same service.

For more information, please contact
Faith Rivers:
905-768-1811 x 4238
faith.rivers@mncfn.ca

This is a drug and alcohol free event.

DATE:
Friday,
December 12th, 2025

TIME:
1 - 7 p.m.

LOCATION:
MCFN Community
Centre

**MCFN MEMBERS &
COMMUNITY
WELCOME!**

**No registration
required - first come,
first served!**



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Wednesday, December 17th

6 - 7:30 p.m.

MCFN Community Centre
659 New Credit Road, Hagersville

CHRISTMAS NUTRITION BINGO!

Everyone Welcome - No Registration Required!

Snacks provided

Questions?
Chelsea King
905-768-1181

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BUSINESS SECTION

The Business Section is free advertising for MCFN Members who own businesses. Take advantage of this free advertising!

CONTACT: victoria.gray@mncfn.ca

TASTY DELIGHTS by Char Wilson

FRESH FOOD FRIENDLY SERVICE

Monday to Friday - 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

We will be closed for the season from
December 22nd - April 7th

Catering and food orders will still be available by phone!

905.869.5178 • 732 New Credit Road

www.facebook.com/tastydelightsbycharwilson

HERK'S VARIETY

Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation

Please call ahead for LARGE orders!

Call or Text 289-456-6910 or 289-260-6910

P.O. Box 1104
9203 Indian Line Road
Hagersville, Ontario N0A1H0

TAX FREE ZONE!!!



Records Crafts

Mississaugas of the
New Credit First Nation
3238 Second Line Road,
Hagersville, Ont. N0A 1H0
(905) 768-9310 • (905) 768-5713

- Holistic Counselling
- Herbal Teas
- Soaps
- Lip Balms
- Readings
- Cultural Gifts
- Facilitates Cultural Workshops
- Coming Soon: Green Drinks

NIHB provider

Val King
519-802-7015
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