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Aanii Everyone! March has been a busy month, but exciting as always.

In-Community Events

I attended all Regular Council meetings. We meet on Tuesdays, beginning at 9 a.m. in the Council House. These meetings are open to the public, so please feel free to join us.

The monthly Community meeting was held March 21st. It was early this month and started at 9:30 a.m. Miigwech to Tyrell and Amryn King for providing the welcoming address and song. We are continuing with the Pillar planning and incorporating input we have received from the Members. We had presentations from Pillar 1 and Pillar 2 representatives. Miigwech to Warren Sault, of MCBC, Maggie Copeland, Director of Health Services and Lissa Lavalle, A/Director of Social Services for their informative PowerPoints. The departments provided a thorough overview of their priorities and their budgets, followed by updates on the input received from the Members to date. Miigwech to all for this engagement. In the afternoon, Council met with the MCFN Youth Council.

Council Representation

Below are a few highlights from the past month:

- Memorandum of Understanding was signed with York University, focused on enhancing the relationship between MCFN and York.
- Recorded openings for the 26/27 Season for the Toronto Blue Jays and the Toronto Sceptres and provided a welcoming for the home opener of the TFC at BMO Field.
- Participated in the International Women's Day event at Queen's Park, alongside a MCFN Youth. This was on the invitation of the Lieutenant Governor Edith Dumont, where I submitted a handwritten letter of my journey.
- Participated in an event with the Toronto Museum. They are relocating and as part of this, wish to develop the "Story of Toronto." I was diligent in reminding them that the MCFN are an integral part of this history, and that our contributions must be included, as these have helped to shape the lands that are now known as Toronto.
- Rouge River Valley Tract Community Celebration was held with MCFN Members, Federal and Provincial Governments, other dignitaries, as well as past and present negotiating teams members from MCFN.
- Provided a welcoming and speech for the Prestige Awards Gala in Mississauga, which recognizes all the athletes in Canada. The event was very impressive.
- Provided a welcoming speech for the Little NHL in Markham. This year, there were 271 teams participating, of which there were 55 teams of young ladies. Congrats to all the athletes!
- Welcomed attendees at the "Stronger Together Tour," in Milton, an event hosted by David Suzuki regarding Climate Change and community preparations.
- Attended and participated in the "Bridging Care and Culture – Truth & Reconciliation in Action," at Mont Hill. I gave a welcome and a speech. I was very impressed with the important work that the hospitals are doing for the indigenous people that they serve.
- The Junos took place in Hamilton from March 26th to 29th, and it was an amazing experience. Members attended the Indigenous Honouring Ceremony on March 28th, which was a meaningful and memorable event. I was honoured to provide a welcome, and it was great to see such strong community spirit. Shoutout to all the participants, artists, and musicians—especially our own two-time Juno-nominated Manitou M kwa Singers!

Please note, when I am given the opportunity to do a welcoming for events in our Treaty Lands, I always take care to stress what treaty the event is taking place on and ensure it is clear that MCFN are the Treaty Holders of those lands. I also am working to build good and respectful relationships with municipalities, governments and organizations living and working on MCFN lands.

Upcoming Events

MCFN is also actively planning our involvement for the upcoming FIFA World Cup events. Some of these games are taking place in Toronto and begin in early June, and MCFN will be hosting an event in community in July. We are trying hard to ensure MCFN participation in all activities.

In closing, I want to say miigwech to all of the MCFN hockey players that travelled to Iqaluit to participate in the Tea and Bannock Cup. You made MCFN proud! Chi-Miigwech to Councillor Jesse Herkimer for arranging this once in a lifetime experience for our Members.

COUNCILLOR JESSE HERKIMER



Over the past month, I've taken part in a number of meetings, conversations, and events in my role. Each continues to ground me in the responsibility we carry as leaders—not only to respond to today's needs, but to help build a stronger path forward for future generations. As Pillar Lead for Economic Development, Job Creation, and Inclusive Prosperity, I remain focused on listening, learning, and advancing our Nation's long-term vision in a good way.

I also want to share my regrets that I was unable to attend the March community meeting, as I was away at the Hockey Helps the Homeless event. In my absence, Warren Sault presented on the progress and partnerships advanced through our business corporation over the past year, and the opportunities ahead. I encourage members to watch the recording online.

I met with Chief Margaret Sault regarding ongoing work with Canada Lands Company. This is an evolving file, and there will be significant announcements in the coming months.

This work includes strengthening financial and economic relationships. We've been in discussions with institutions like Scotiabank on building partnerships that support access to capital, investment, and long-term growth.

I've also remained engaged in discussions on major infrastructure and energy projects, including the proposed Toronto Third Transmission Line. As these move forward, I continue to emphasize the need for meaningful inclusion and real opportunities for our Nation.

The ATR process also continues to advance. It has been encouraging to connect with ministers and leadership to ensure its importance is understood, and we are beginning to see a willingness to work alongside us.

I have also been supporting Victim Services at the new location on Highway 6, providing support, safety, and accessible resources for our community.

I also attended a gathering with Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment, highlighting the Legacy Space created with the Gord Downie and Chanie Wenjack Fund, grounded in truth, reconciliation, and storytelling.

Looking ahead, I remain focused on ensuring this work leads to tangible outcomes—jobs, business opportunities, and a stronger voice for our Nation. The work continues as we build for future generations.

COUNCILLOR LESLIE MARACLE



Aanii Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation members. I'm here to provide an update on what I've been working on over the past couple of months and in the previous term.

Since January, I've been sitting on the Haldimand-Norfolk United Way, which meets monthly virtually. There will be some exciting news coming in April. I also meet monthly with the Norfolk General Hospital and West Haldimand General Hospital Reconciliation Working Group, who continue working to act on the Calls to Action. During a recent visit to West Haldimand General Hospital, I was encouraged to see the emergency department's vision and mission translated into Anishinaabemowin—we're getting there.

I attended an AIAI emergency meeting in Toronto, which gave insight into the many departments needed to implement an emergency plan. We are currently updating the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation emergency plan and will continue this work until it is complete. I was also introduced to freeze-dried food—something worth exploring, as it can be stored for up to 25 years.

I delivered an opening speech at the Gilligan Family Queensway Health Centre for the final beam raising. I also attend Police Service Board meetings in Cayuga monthly, which are open to the community virtually or in person. Nadine LaForme serves as our representative, and our OPP liaison officer is Rod LeClaire.

I sit on the Children and Family Services Grand Erie Board, which meets monthly. We are working to strengthen the Indigenous Reconciliation Committee, and the board is currently seeking a new Executive Director. We thank Sally for her commitment and wish her well.

AIAI continues to provide updates on health transformation, still in the early stages. Chiefs of Ontario are also sharing updates on the Ontario Final Agreement for Children and Family Services, currently before the tribunal and expected to be decided before June. Community consultation will follow.

I continue to support community events and help members connect to services. MCFN Victim Services is now located at 4136 Highway 6. If you would like to tour, it is best to go on Tuesday or Thursday between 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Important numbers to remember:

Peacekeepers: (905) 768-9990

Non-emergency OPP: 1-888-310-1122

Victim Services: 1-800-264-6671

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COUNCILLOR ERMA FERRELL



FEBRUARY 20, 2026 -Virtual meeting with Sherry Fukuzawa

Sherry is a Professor at the University of Toronto Mississauga Campus, (UTM). We also spoke with staff from Sheridan College to discuss video projects working with MCFN staff and Members.

FEBRUARY 21, 2026, MASSEY COLLEGE

Darin Wybenga and I met with students from Massey College at our Council House. Darin has met with various groups of students from Massey College to share our history. A quick trip to our school was arranged to view the Mural.

FEBRUARY 28, 2026-CLIMATE WORKSHOP-RICHMOND HILL

Attended and provided opening remarks at the Climate workshop by David Suzuki and his wife Dr. Tara Cullis. Excellent workshop. Google "What you won't do for love." This is a play available in Ontario.

MARCH 04, 2026-YORK UNIVERSITY

Travelled to York University to participate in the signing of our Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). A welcome video was played featuring Darin Wybenga, Jordan Jamieson and me (Councillor Erma Ferrell).

MARCH 07, 2026-VISIT FROM MINISTERS

Government Ministers, legal counsel, former Chiefs, Councillors, and Members of MCFN attended the gathering to celebrate the completion of the Rouge Valley Land Claim.

MARCH 11, 2026- OAKVILLE MUSEUM

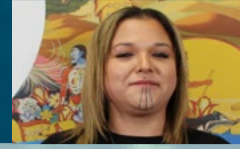
Staff from the Oakville Museum reached out to Darin Wybenga and me to ask questions about what and how items can be displayed at the Museum and what else should be available for viewing.

MARCH 18, 2026-BROCK UNIVERSITY

Two representatives from Brock University joined me and Councillor Leslie Maracle, Victoria Gray, Bernadette O'Grady Bomberry. The purpose of the visit was to consult with Councillors and MCFN Staff to obtain input on Brock's Indigenous Strategic Plan. Our aim was to ensure Brock University creates a space on their Campuses that is warm and inviting. The space should be designed with First Nation Art and Medicines, (tobacco, sage, sweetgrass and cedar).

Follow-up emails between all parties that were present at the March 18th meeting will continue.

COUNCILLOR JAI KING-GREEN



The last three months have been a learning curve—getting comfortable at the Council table, finding my momentum, and learning the ropes. I truly appreciate your patience as I settle into this role.

December was a slower month as I was newly elected. I say chi-miigwech to the membership for your support. We completed orientation and have continued building relationships with staff and community, including attending the staff Christmas brunch where Chief and Council came together in a good way.

In January, I attended my first Council meeting, and we have continued meeting weekly since.

February was busy with planning alongside Communications, Culture, and Council for several major events. We are the host First Nation for the JUNO Awards 2026 in Hamilton, and one of three host First Nations for FIFA 2026 in Toronto. For both, we are ensuring we are represented as Treaty people, front and centre.

We are also preparing for the MCFN Historical Gathering, a two-day in-house event for members and staff on April 30 and May 1, focused on Past, Present, and Future.

As we move forward, Chief and Council have approved Pillar 5—Outreach, Communications, and Culture—to lead a Tourism Feasibility Study, exploring opportunities in hospitality and tourism. Member input will be important in shaping this work.

As Pillar 5 Lead Councillor, I sit on several committees: Chair of the Willow Project Committee, Major Events Committee, and Cultural Designs Advisory Committee, as well as the Pillar 5 Committee.

Work is also underway on a communications plan for the First Nation, to share clear and accessible information on MCFN history, Wampum Belts, and more. In the coming months, I will also begin gathering information to support an MCFN-specific Anishinaabemowin revitalization plan, and I will be calling on membership and staff for input.

In closing, I want to acknowledge and thank the membership for your continued input, and our staff for your dedication and hard work.

Nmiigwechwendamaa kina wiya. I am thankful to you all.

COUNCILLOR LARRY SAULT



My name is Larry Sault, and I serve as an elected Council member responsible for infrastructure, community development, housing, and economic development for MCFN.

I want to begin by setting some context. When we talk about our work at the community level, we also have to understand the broader landscape across the country. We have both on-reserve and off-reserve members, and while we expect participation in elections, we also carry a responsibility to provide programs and services to all our membership. That's something we continue working to balance.

Nationally, there are several Indigenous organizations—such as the Assembly of First Nations, Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami, the Métis National Council, the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples, the Native Women's Association of Canada, and the National Association of Friendship Centres. Each has its own mandate, and many are working toward similar funding. This creates challenges, as communities across Ontario and the country are often competing for the same resources.

This results in funding gaps between on-reserve and off-reserve services. With 633 First Nations nationally and 133 in Ontario, we are all effectively in line for funding opportunities. If we're not ready when those opportunities arise, we risk missing out. That's the reality we continue to navigate.

At the same time, there are broader political and economic pressures—major development happening within our treaty lands, provincial decisions, and global factors like tariffs—all of which impact us locally. Because of this, we need to continue shifting how we think, plan, and build as a community moving forward.

In my portfolio, housing remains a significant challenge. We currently have 125 members on the housing list, and we are able to subsidize approximately two homes per year at about \$350,000 each. The need far exceeds current capacity. In addition, development on the territory is ongoing, with costs in the tens of millions.

There is also a great deal happening within public works and economic development, which I will speak to in more detail next month.

For now, I hope this provides some context for the challenges and responsibilities Chief and Council are working through as we continue building for future generations.

Miigwech.

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE MARCH 2026

Chief or Councillor Name	Absent From Name of Meeting + Date	Sick/ Vacation/ Bereavement Used
Chief Margaret Sault		
Jesse Herkimer		
Leslie (Sault) Maracle		
Ashley Sault	Regular Council Meeting: March 3rd Regular Council Meeting: March 24th	Sick Away on Council Business
Erma Ferrell		
Jai King-Green		
Larry Sault		
Fawn Sault	Regular Council Meeting: March 24th	Away on Council Business

Annual Health & Wellness Fair Brings Community Together

Connecting members to local health services, celebrating culture, and inspiring youth to explore careers in health

The Annual Health and Wellness Fair took place on Wednesday, April 25th, at the MCFN Community Centre, bringing together the community to connect with local health and wellness resources.

“In my opinion I feel that the Health Fair & Wellness Fair is an important annual event as it connects the community to local area Health & Wellness service providers,” Laura-Lee Kelly, Community Health Representative said. “Also, it encourages our local students to choose a career in Health whatever that might look like for them.”

This year, the fair featured 32 vendor booths, each showcasing services, activities, awareness information, and even free swag and prizes. A highlight of the event was the CKD clinic, a new initiative for the MCFN community. The Six Nations Department of Wellbeing – Diabetes Wellness Program and Primary Health Team offered a community-wide Point-of-Care CKD screening clinic, providing quick tests for diabetes, high blood pressure, and kidney disease using a simple finger poke and urine sample.



Laura-Lee shared,

“My favourite part of the event was the traditional opening and bear song done by MCFN member Chris Myke. When he spoke in the language and sang with his beautiful voice, it reminded me of the importance of truth and reconciliation and honouring our own beliefs and customs as Anishinaabe.”

And of course, a big Chi-Miigwech to Giles Catering for keeping everyone fueled throughout the day!

The Health and Wellness Fair was a wonderful reminder of the strength of our community, the importance of staying healthy,

and the value of connecting with local resources—all while celebrating culture, tradition, and learning opportunities for youth.



Join Us for the 2026 Historical Gathering!

Scan the QR code to register and reserve your spot

A reminder to MCFN Band Members, Residents, and Staff to RSVP for the upcoming 2026 Historical Gathering, taking place on **April 30th and May 1st at the MCFN Community Centre.**

This year's event will offer the same schedule on both days, allowing you to choose the date that works best for you.

Spots are limited, so be sure to register early to secure your preferred day. To RSVP to the event, scan the QR code.

Interested in being a vendor? Please email Caitlin LaForme at caitlin.laforme@mncfn.ca with a letter of interest, your name, contact information, and a brief overview of the products you plan to offer by Friday, April 17th at 4 p.m.

Caitlin can also assist with any questions related to the Historical Gathering.

We look forward to gathering, learning, and connecting together!



March Break Fun Brings Families Together

A full week of activities brought smiles, laughter, and community spirit to MCFN families.

MCFN families came together over March Break to enjoy a variety of fun-filled activities for all ages. From active outings to relaxed community time, the week offered something for everyone.

Throughout the week, families enjoyed a variety of activities, beginning with a visit to Funville Ancaster as well as some lively games of bingo filled with laughter and friendly competition. The fun continued with a bowling and mini putt outing, offering time to connect and enjoy one another's company. While the Sugar Bush with Elder Mark event was planned, it was unfortunately cancelled due to frozen conditions. The week wrapped up with the



Mino-Bimaadziwin Community Social, where community members gathered for an evening of culture, connection, and celebration. The night began with a traditional social featuring the big drum and dancing, followed by a shared meal, and continued with a live band and contemporary social. It was a meaningful way to bring together tradition and today, and a wonderful way to close out the week.

nity Socials will be happening more frequently - the next one is booked for **Friday, May 1st from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the Community Centre!**

Dancers: if you'd like to be involved in the next event, please reach out to Chris Myke at chris.myke@mncfn.ca.



Miigwech to Councillor Leslie Maracle, Chris Myke, and everyone involved for their time, effort, and dedication in organizing and supporting these activities.

We're also excited to share that Mino-Bimaadziwin Commu-



Celebrating a Legacy: Conversations with a Retiring Team Member



Raymond Hill-Johnson • Technical Resource Manager

Raymond Hill-Johnson is retiring after 17 years of dedicated service with MCFN, having started in 2009 with the Public Works/Housing Department. Following the department's transition in 2015, Raymond became the Technical Resource Manager for Housing, where he provided essential technical and project and property management support across housing programs.

In this role, he oversaw inspections, coordinated contractors, supported construction projects, and ensured compliance with building standards and program requirements. His technical knowledge and steady commitment contributed to the strength and sustainability of MCFN's housing assets.

Raymond was known as a dedicated and reliable team member, always willing to lend a hand wherever needed—even responding to after-hours emergencies without hesitation.

While he often preferred others to take the lead in conversations, his actions consistently spoke volumes about his commitment and care for the community. He came to see his role as being just as much about people as it was about engineering—an approach that guided his work and interactions over the years.

He also believed strongly in collaboration and bridging gaps, recognizing the importance of working together to achieve meaningful outcomes. His natural curiosity and desire to understand the “why” played an important role in his contributions to the ongoing development of systems within the department.

Beyond his technical contributions, Raymond will also be remembered for his generosity and sense of humour, especially his well-known love of food. Whether it was showing up for a free meal or treating colleagues to lunch, he brought

a sense of camaraderie and connection to the workplace. Reflecting on his time at MCFN, Raymond described the experience with a laugh as “interesting,” before adding that it has truly been “unforgettable.” He also shared a simple hope: that he made a difference. Through his years of service and contributions, it's clear that he has.

As he looks ahead to retirement, Raymond is excited to spend more time exploring new hobbies and enjoying a well-earned change of pace. One of the lasting lessons he leaves behind is to not be afraid of making mistakes—as long as we take the opportunity to learn from them.

The Housing Department will truly miss him and wishes him all the best in his retirement and future endeavours.

Strengthening Partnerships

MCFN and York University Sign Memorandum of Understanding

Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, and York University have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to work together in the spirit of reciprocity, respect, and relationship-building.

This agreement reflects a shared commitment to advancing Truth and Reconciliation and creating meaningful opportunities for Indigenous learners. As part of the partnership, eligible MCFN members enrolled in an undergraduate program at York will receive a tuition waiver, supporting increased access to post-secondary education.

“This MOU reflects a shared commitment to relationship-building grounded in respect, responsibility, and reciprocity,” MCFN Chief Margaret Sault said.

“Through this partnership, we look forward to creating opportunities that support Indigenous students... while fostering greater understanding for all who learn here.” - Chief Margaret Sault

In addition to supporting students, the MOU outlines collaboration on initiatives to revitalize Anishinaabemowin and Anishinabe culture, advance community and individual economic and social development, and integrate MCFN knowledge into academic spaces. A MCFN councillor will also join York’s School of



From left, back: Parissa Safai, York University Interim Vice-President Equity, People and Culture; Sean Hillier, York University Strategic Advisor to the Dean, Faculty of Health; Audrey Rochette, York University Assistant Vice-President Indigenous Initiatives and Anthony Perruzza, City of Toronto Councillor, Humber River Black Creek. Front: Lisa Philipps, York University Interim President and Vice-Chancellor and Margaret Sault, Chief of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation

Medicine Indigenous Health Advisory Committee, and together, the University and MCFN will develop a Faculty of Health course.

York University has adopted an Indigenous-led land acknowledgement, recognizing the MCFN as the caretakers of the lands where the University operates, including its Keele, Glendon, and Markham campuses. This acknowledgement represents a significant evolution in how post-secondary institutions work with First Nations communities.

As part of broader efforts to honour Indigenous presence and history, York’s Moccasin Identifier initiative will feature engraved moccasins along pathways at Keele Campus. This initiative fosters awareness of First Nations’ treaties, history, and culture through public art and education.

“This partnership strengthens pathways for Indigenous learners while ensuring our histories, voices, and perspectives are meaningfully reflected within academic spaces,” Chief Sault added. “It is a step forward in building understanding, respect, and lasting relationships between MCFN and York University.” Through this collaboration, both York University and MCFN aim to create educational, cultural, and economic opportunities that benefit current and future generations, ensuring that Indigenous voices remain central in shaping academic and community spaces.



Lisa Philipps, York University Interim President and Vice-Chancellor and Margaret Sault, Chief MCFN

MCFN Artists Take Centre Stage at the 2026 JUNOs



Music is a central part of Anishinaabe Culture and the Nation helped celebrate both Indigenous and non-Indigenous artists at the JUNO Awards.

The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) were proudly represented on the national stage during this year's JUNO Awards held from March 26 to 29 in Hamilton, on the Between the Lakes Treaty Territory. The event brought together some of Canada's most celebrated musical talent, while also recognizing the deep cultural roots and contributions of MCFN artists and other Indigenous peoples.

Chief Margaret Sault helped open the ceremony alongside Six Nations Councillor Amos Key Jr., marking a meaningful moment of shared presence between neighbouring Nations. Their opening set the tone for an evening that highlighted not only musical excellence, but also the importance of acknowledging the land and the cultures that have long been connected to it.

In her remarks, Chief Sault spoke to the enduring role of music

within Indigenous communities.

"Music has always held a special place in our cultures," she said.

"Long before stages and award ceremonies, our songs carried teachings, stories, and connection. They were sung to celebrate, to heal, to honour the land, and to bring people together."

- Chief Margaret Sault

She emphasized that music continues to serve as a powerful force for connection, crossing cultures, languages, and generations. Her words reflected a broader message about the importance of Indigenous voices within Canada's music landscape, noting the growing presence of artists who are sharing stories rooted in resilience, identity, and community strength.

A highlight for MCFN was the recognition of the Manitou M kwa Singers, who were nominated for a JUNO Award in the Traditional Indigenous Artist or Group of the Year category. While they did not take home the award, their performance of their song "Me and You" to kick off the Awards Gala ceremony on March 29 was

a proud and powerful moment for the community. Their presence on stage reflected both the strength of traditional music and its place within contemporary spaces. Bear Creek, a family drum group took home the award for their album "On the Move."

Manitou M kwa Singers posted congratulations to Bear Creek and all of the Indigenous nominees on their Facebook page. "Congrats to Bear Creek on the win! So proud of y'all! And congrats to all the other 57 indigenous nominees! It's been a blast this weekend. I'm so proud of each and every one of us. We are breaking barriers," they said on Facebook.

The JUNO Awards provided an opportunity to celebrate not only artistic achievement, but also the continued resurgence and visibility of Indigenous culture. For MCFN, the evening was a reminder of the importance of representation, relationship, and the role of music in carrying stories forward for future generations.

The community continues to show pride in the Manitou M kwa Singers and all those who represented MCFN on this national stage.



Manitou M kwa Singers from left: Miranda King-Green, Valerie King, Jai and Mya King-Green.

Exploring Cultural Protocols in Airport Security

MCFN representatives participated in a security tour at Toronto Pearson International Airport

On Tuesday, March 31, representatives from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Communications and Culture departments joined Councillor Jai King-Green for a guided tour of Toronto Pearson International Airport, hosted by the Canada Border Services Agency.

The visit provided an opportunity to strengthen relationships and engage in meaningful dialogue around cultural awareness, protocol, and collaboration within one of Canada's busiest transportation hubs.

During the tour, CBSA representatives offered an in-depth look at airport security operations and procedures, including how officers manage inspections and respond to complex situations involving travellers. A key focus of the visit was the respectful handling of Indigenous cultural items.

Councillor King-Green shared knowledge about the cultural and spiritual significance of sacred medicines and Eagle feathers, emphasizing that these items should be treated with care and, in some cases, should



Representatives from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation joined border services personnel and partner agency staff at Toronto Pearson International Airport during a recent visit focused on security operations and collaboration.

not be handled without proper protocol. The discussion created space for greater understanding of how cultural practices intersect with security procedures, and how those practices can be respected in a meaningful way.

The group also discussed protocols related to situations where Indigenous individuals may be detained. Conversations highlighted the importance of ensuring individuals have access to support, including contacting their home Nation when family members are unavailable or when an advocate is requested. CBSA representatives also spoke about their approach to the repatriation of Indigenous cultural items. Staff outlined the care taken in these processes, including supporting ceremony when items are returned. Advance notice, they noted, is critical to ensuring that appropriate cultural practices can be observed.

While touring the airport, MCFN representatives explored potential opportunities for Indigenous representation within the space, recognizing the Nation's role as Treaty holder. It was noted that such considerations fall under

the jurisdiction of the Greater Toronto Airports Authority, which manages the airport. MCFN has also been in contact with the Airport Authority, and more information on those initiatives will come soon.

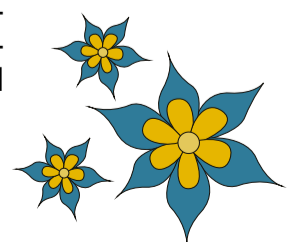
The visit also included a light moment meeting "Lou," one of the airport's agriculture detection dogs, who plays an important role in protecting Canada's ecosystems.

Also in attendance was Ontario Regional Chief Abram Benedict, Chiefs of Ontario, along with representatives from the Six Nations Police Service, reflecting a shared commitment to collaboration and mutual understanding.

MCFN extends its appreciation to CBSA for the opportunity to engage in these important conversations and looks forward to continued dialogue that supports respectful, culturally informed practices.



Lou, an agriculture detection dog.



Honouring Shared History, Building Future Relationships

MCFN Welcomes Delegation from the Chapel Royal

Leadership from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) gathered alongside distinguished guests from the United Kingdom this week, marking a significant moment in the Nation's ongoing relationship with the Crown and its historic institutions.

Chief Margaret Sault and Council welcomed Canon Paul Wright LVO, Sub-Dean of His Majesty's Chapel Royal from London, England along with members of his delegation, during a visit to MCFN's council meeting on March 17 that highlighted the enduring connection between the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Chapel Royal, an institution with deep historical ties to the Crown.

Canon Wright and his delegation visited with the intention of congratulating the newly elected council, since his last visit in 2024.

The visit underscores the importance of the Chapel Royal to the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, whose own Chapel Royal at Massey College stands as a unique and living symbol of that relationship. Established through a Royal designation, the Chapel Royal associated with MCFN reflects a shared history that continues to evolve through dialogue, recognition, and mutual respect.



From back row left: Councillor Larry Sault, Chief Margaret Sault, Cannon Paul Wright LVO, Sub-Dean of the Chapel Royal, Tim Horton, Director of Music at His Majesty's Chapel Royal, London. Front row from left: Councillors Jai King-Green, Jesse Herkimer, Leslie Maracle, Ashley Sault, Erma Ferrell, former Chief Carolyn King, Councillor Fawn Sault and Nathan Tidridge, vice-president of the Institute for the Study of the Crown in Canada at Massey College.

During the gathering, MCFN leadership—including full council, as well as former Chief Carolyn King—met with Canon Wright and his colleagues, including Tim Horton, Director of Music at the Chapel Royal in London, and visitors Evan Chan and John Frazer. Also in attendance was Institute for the Study of the Crown in Canada Vice-President Nathan Tidridge, whose work supports greater understanding of the Crown's role in Canada.

The Chapel Royal holds particular significance for the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation as it

reflects a long-standing relationship with the Crown that dates back generations. The designation of a Chapel Royal connected to MCFN represents recognition of that history and affirms the Nation's place within the broader story of the Crown in Canada. Today, that connection is expressed not only through ceremony, but through education, partnership, and continued engagement.

This visit provided an opportunity for leadership and guests to strengthen relationships, share knowledge, and reflect on the evolving role of the Crown and its institutions in the context of reconciliation and nation-to-nation relationships.

As the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation continues to carry forward its history and responsibilities, moments like these serve to reinforce the importance of dialogue, mutual respect, and the recognition of shared history.



Chief Margaret Sault and Canon Paul Wright LVO, Sub-Dean of the Chapel Royal.

From Sugar Bush to Bird Nests: Spring Discoveries

Highlights from EarlyON



Spring is in the air! As the days grow longer and the snow begins to melt, our program has been full of curiosity, connection, and new beginnings.

This month, we had the wonderful opportunity to visit Mark Sault's Sugar Bush. During our visit, we experienced the magic of maple syrup season—tasting nature's sap and learning about the beautiful process of how it is collected and transformed. It was a meaningful, hands-on experience that connected us to the land and seasonal changes.



We are also excited to share that Jolene has started offering infant massage in our program. Infant massage is a gentle and nurturing practice that supports both babies and caregivers.

Some of the benefits include:

- Promoting bonding and attachment
- Supporting relaxation and better sleep
- Aiding in digestion and relieving discomfort (such as gas or colic)
- Encouraging body awareness and early communication
- Reducing stress for both infants and caregivers

Our friends have also been showing a growing interest in **bird watching and nest building**.



Through this exploration, children have been observing birds in their environment, asking questions, and creating their own nests using a variety of natural and loose parts. This inquiry supports creativity, problem-solving, and a deeper connection to the natural world.

We also read the book *What Your Ribbon Skirt Means to Me*, which helped deepen our understanding of the significance of ribbon skirts. Following the story, the children engaged in a ribbon skirt craft, exploring patterns, colours, and cultural meaning through hands-on creation.



This past month at HSS, we've been enjoying a variety of enriching experiences including sensory play, dramatic play, and child-led play that support children's creativity and development.

One of our highlights was a special trip to Richardson's Farm, where families learned about how maple syrup is made, enjoyed a wagon ride, and shared some delicious pancakes together!

We're also excited to share that a new Drop-In Program will be launching at the HUB starting April 22nd, running from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. every other Wednesday. Stay tuned for more details!

In addition, HSS will be offering **Positive Discipline in Everyday Parenting** beginning in this month. To register or for more information, email Jolene Hill at Jolene.Hill@mncfn.ca.

Registration required for all of our EarlyON programs. You can sign up through www.keyon.com If you need help, please feel free to call or email us! Our dedicated staff will be happy to assist!

Full calendars for April's EarlyON events can be found on page 27. Scan this QR code to register for an EarlyON program through keyon.com:



Indigenous Reads Book Club

Becoming a Matriarch by Helen Knott



Having lost both her mom and grandmother in just over six months, Knott is forced to navigate the fine lines between matriarchy, martyrdom, and codependency. In doing so, she realizes she must let go—not just of the women who raised her, but of the woman she thought she was.

Registration deadline: Monday, April 20th at 4:30 p.m.

To register, or for more information, please reach out to bookclub@mncfn.ca

EarlyON
Anishinaabemowin
Word of the Month:

Ziigwan

Which means:
Spring



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(Child Care, Kindergarten, KASA, EarlyON, or
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ECC Registration Information

Wait list applications are available on the MCFN website, at the ECC office, by scanning this QR code, or by email request to



Shannon.King@mncfn.ca or Pam.Bomberry@mncfn.ca
There is no fee. Placement is based on priority criteria and application date. Families will be contacted when space becomes available.

Note: Expectant parents may add their unborn child to the wait list.

MMCC Registration Information

Wait list applications are available through the Haldimand Norfolk One List from this QR code.



There is no fee. Placement is based on priority criteria and application date. Families will be contacted when space becomes available.

Parent Insights

The Jull Family



Grateful. Profound gratitude is the feeling that best captures what EarlyON means to our family. MCFN EarlyON is more than just a program—it's a space of connection, support, and shared moments with other families in the community. There's something undeniably special about the MCFN locations; the atmosphere feels richer, more welcoming, and more thoughtfully nurtured than similar programs we've attended.

Watching our child grow in confidence, make new friends, and light up with excitement as she discovers something new each visit is a gift we never take for granted.

What we especially cherish are the thoughtfully curated provocations, engaging activities, and meaningful learning experiences that are woven into each program. Every setup and activity feels intentional, inviting curiosity, creativity, and discovery in a way that meets children exactly where they are. Beyond the play and exploration, there is a beautiful emphasis on community building and connection, where families are gently brought together through shared moments, conversations, and experiences. It creates a space where not only children grow and learn, but where relationships are nurtured, and a true sense of belonging is felt by everyone who walks through the doors.

Our MCFN program leaders bring a rare blend of warmth, attentiveness, and genuine care. The way they connect with our daughter, meeting her with patience, cu-

riosity, and kindness, has been truly beautiful to witness. We can feel how instantly seen and understood all the children are.

For us as parents, they have created a space that feels both safe and quietly reassuring—one where conversations are held with respect and confidentiality, and where we feel comfortable opening up, asking questions, and navigating the journey of parenthood with their gentle guidance and support. Their light-hearted, easygoing, and joyful spirits bring a genuine sense of realism when opening up about parenting challenges.

We are beyond thankful for the richness of what this program offers—from the thoughtfully planned programs and special events to the meaningful take-home activities that extend the experience into our home. The lending library and abundance of resources have been such a gift, gently supporting our journey and providing inspiration, guidance, and connection well beyond each visit.

We know there will be a quiet sadness when the time comes for our daughter to age out of the program, as this space has become such a meaningful part of our lives. And yet, what brings comfort is knowing that the care, connection, and guidance we've received here will stay with us—leaving a lasting imprint on our hearts and on the way we move forward as a family.

Farewell to Winter's Magic

Highlights from Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre



Supervisor: Shannon King • Assistant Supervisor: Pam Bomberry

Although we are looking forward to the arrival of spring and warmer weather, we will certainly miss the magic that winter brought us. This season gave us so many opportunities to explore, play, and connect with the outdoors in meaningful ways.

Winter for us meant snowshoeing through the forest, discovering and following animal tracks,

and working together to roll huge snowballs and build snow people. We shared cozy moments too—warming up with hot chocolate and gathering around bonfires in the forest playground. These experiences created lasting memories, encouraged teamwork, and helped deepen our appreciation for the beauty and wonder of the winter season.



Big Adventures for Little Learners

Highlights from Maawdoo Maajaamin Child Care

Supervisor: Kate Schroder, RECE • Assistant Supervisor: Greg Montour, RECE

On March 11th Maawdoo Maajaamin hosted a family engagement evening with a sensory make-and-take event. Families traveled from room to room creating their own sensory materials like slime.

These were all familiar recipes to the children. They make them regularly in their programs. The children were able to demonstrate their skills to their families and the families were able to bring home materials to make their own dough at home as well! It was an amazing event and we thank everyone who was able to attend.

This past month we have had a mixture of cold winter weath-

er and a nice spring day, some days it was in the same day. The Preschool and Toddler Rooms would make use of their outdoor time to mix the sand with water from puddles using buckets and shovels, ride their bikes through the puddles, or just jump in them to make a splash.

The Toddlers also got to explore the dirt and under logs that are in the playground. Indoor play included obstacle courses, doing different creatives, drumming, and making their own roads for their cars. The Infants enjoyed making music with their piano, drawing with chalk at a mini easel they added to their room, and playing on the climber.



Kinders Tap Into Learning at Sugar Bush

Hands-on exploration brings the maple syrup process to life



It was a perfect day for outdoor learning as the kindergarten students set off on an exciting visit to Mark Sault's sugar bush. For many of the Senior Kindergarten students, this visit was especially meaningful. Having experienced the sugar bush last year, they eagerly shared their knowledge and excitement with the Junior Kindergarten students. Their enthusiasm was contagious, helping to build anticipation as the classes prepared to explore the forest.

One of the highlights of the day was seeing the maple trees tapped for sap collection. Students loved learning how sap flows from the trees at this time of year. The opportunity to taste sap straight from the tree was a memorable moment for many, sparking curiosity, plenty of smiles and laughter.

Mark guided the students through the process of turning sap into maple syrup, explaining how it is collected and boiled. Students were able to sample sap at different stages

of the cooking process, noticing changes in colour, texture, and taste. This hands-on experience deepened their understanding of how natural materials can transform over time. The process of collecting sap and creating maple syrup reflects important teachings about respect for nature, gratitude, and living in balance with the environment. Students were encouraged to think about how the land provides for us and the importance of caring for it in return.

The visit connected directly to the kindergarten focus on observing and exploring changes in nature throughout the seasons. By engaging with the environment in a meaningful way, students were able to see real-life examples of seasonal change, making their learning both authentic, memorable and fun!

The Kinders are very grateful to Mark for the opportunity to continue to explore the natural world around us!



March at LSK: A Month of Community & Achievement

Adapting to Change: Early Start to March Break

March may have been a quieter month at LSK, but it was still filled with meaningful moments, accomplishments, and opportunities to come together as a school community. From celebrations of culture to athletic achievements, the month reminded us of the importance of connection and collaboration.

We were delighted to gather for our Mnookmi Social and Feast, a cherished tradition that celebrates the season and strengthens our school community. Students, staff, and families came together to share food, stories, and laughter. The Manitou Mkwa Singers and MCFN drummers created a truly memorable atmosphere, adding music, rhythm, and joy to the celebration. Events like these highlight the richness of our community and the importance of honouring culture and tradition.

March Break arrived a little earlier than expected due to a sewage issue in the school. While unexpected, the situation showcased the resilience and flexibility

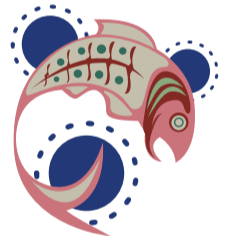


of our school community. We are grateful to our families for their understanding and support as we prioritized student safety, and we thank our staff for managing the challenge so smoothly.

Athletic excitement also marked the month, as our Junior Badminton team competed in a spirited tournament, showcasing skill, teamwork, and sportsmanship. A special congratulations goes to Nevayah Hill, who captured first place in the Girls Singles division—an outstanding achievement. We are proud of all our athletes for their dedication, effort, and positive representation of LSK on and off the court.

Looking ahead, our Intermediate Badminton team will be competing at the end of March. We wish them the very best of luck and look forward to cheering on their hard work and determination.

As we move into spring, the promise of warmer weather, longer days, and sunny skies is on the horizon. March may have been quieter than other months, but it was a meaningful reminder of what makes LSK such a vibrant and supportive community.



Anishinaabemowin Phrase of the Month for April

Each month, we introduce a new Anishinaabemowin phrase to help bring the language into your everyday life in a simple and meaningful way.

To keep the learning going, we also share a Word of the Week every Monday, offering regular opportunities to practice and build your vocabulary throughout the month.

Here is this month's phrase:

Geyaabi na gimiwan?

which means:

Is it raining still?

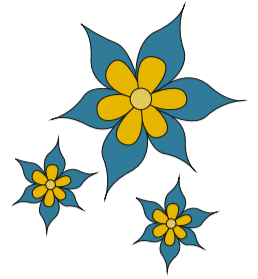
Use the QR code to explore our growing YouTube playlist of Anishinaabemowin Phrases of the Month & Words of the Week:



You can also find these videos on the MCFN Facebook and Instagram pages.



Department of Lifelong Learning



April showers bring May flowers - welcome to April 2026!

Our Ojibwe word for April is Iskizigamizig Giizis - Maple Syrup Moon.

If you graduated from elementary school, high school, college, or university in 2025, you could apply for the Graduation Award. Applications can be found on the website. The applications for 2026 are not approved yet.

Tutoring:

The MCFN Department of Lifelong Learning provides resources to MCFN elementary and secondary students that allow them to overcome barriers in their journey. Contact our office if you want more information.

Weather Change:

With nicer weather on the horizon, we are asking drivers to be more alert as kids are on their bikes and people are walking along the road. Safety first.

Reminders:

When your child graduates from elementary school into high school they can apply for the graduation award. Part of the criteria is they must submit a copy of their status card. This is a reminder to check that your child's card is up to date.

Once in high school, students can apply for allowances. They must have their status card and their own banking. This prepares them to be responsible.

High School students who have not sent in your report card for your high school credit allowance please do so ASAP.

“Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today.” - Malcolm X

Significant Dates in April

April 1st- April Fool's Day

April 3rd- Holiday-Good Friday

April 5th- Easter Sunday

April 9th-Vimy Ridge Day

No School

LSK April 3rd & 17th

SNPSS April 3rd, 6th

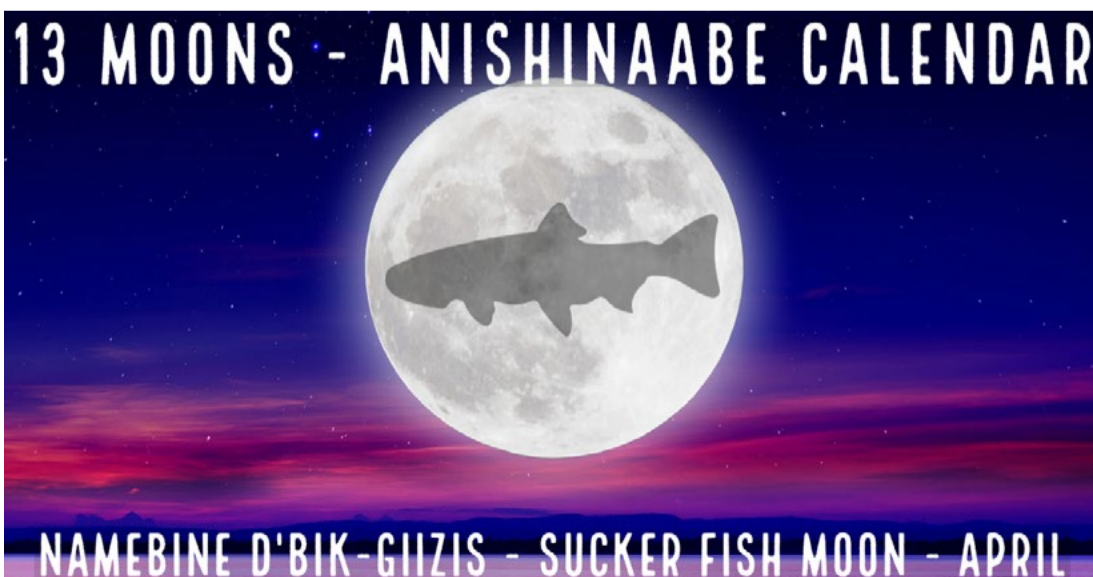
GEDSB April 3rd, 6th & 17th

BHNCDSB April 3rd, 6th & 17th

Welcoming the Return of Spring Waters

As winter fades and the ice begins to melt, this season marks a time of renewal and movement in the natural world. Flowing waters signal the return of fish to spawn, an important reminder of the close relationship between land, water, and community.

Traditionally, this was a time for gathering, sharing knowledge, and giving thanks for the gifts provided by nature. It invites us to reflect on balance, respect, and taking only what we need. As signs of spring emerge, we are encouraged to reconnect with the land, observe seasonal changes, and embrace new growth in both nature and ourselves.



Updates From The Post-Secondary Desk

Supporting students through applications, opportunities, and next steps



Spring brings change, and our Post-Secondary office is busy with applications, new semester intakes, and students searching for summer employment. We have heard there may be student positions available within MCFN this summer, so opportunities are on the horizon.

Many students are also preparing for graduation, seeking internships, or exploring the next step in their education or career. **Applications for the 2026 MCFN bursaries are now open until August 31st.** Alongside this, new information continues

to become available, including a range of bursaries and scholarships to help support students in the coming semesters.

Please visit our Post-Secondary Resource Hub for bursaries, funding applications, and additional supports. If you find something helpful, or notice something missing, let us know so our team can keep the page current and useful.

Here are some resources to help you stay organized and plan ahead. Consider bookmarking them:

Post Secondary Resource Hub
<https://mncfn.ca/departments/lifelonglearning/post-secondary-resource-hub/>

New Student Application
<https://mcfndadavan.com/student/pseapplication.jsp>

Part Two of the Application
<https://mncfn.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/2025-application-form-complete.pdf>

Job Boards (Local and Regional)
<https://mncfn.ca/job-board/>
<https://greatsn.com/job-board/>

Workforce Planning Resources
 Includes job postings, bus schedules, and daycare information
<https://workforceplanningboard.org/>

GO Bus Accessible Job Opportunities
<https://www.metrolinx.com/en/about-us/careers>

To easily access these links, please scan the QR code below:



Student Spotlight: Megan LaForme

My biggest surprise at Brock has been discovering the incredible sense of community and the support provided by the professors.

As an asynchronous student, I have been able to virtually connect with Early Childhood Educators from across the country, which has enriched my learning experience in ways I did not expect.

My journey at Brock has been truly incredible, and I have gained knowledge and skills that have strengthened both my professional practice and my confidence as an educator.

My advice would be to just do it! Enroll in school, try a new hobby, or try something out of your comfort zone.

My hope is to complete my Bachelor's of Education and eventually my Masters.



MCFN YOUTH CORNER

In coming months, this space will highlight updates from the MCFN Youth Council Coordinator, sharing opportunities, events, and ways for youth to connect, get involved, and grow!

UPCOMING IMPORTANT EVENTS

Apply to Join Youth Council!

Ready to make a difference, connect with culture, and have your voice heard? Don't miss your chance to get involved! For MCFN youth ages 13-29.

The application window will be open until April 14th at 4:00 p.m.

For more info or to apply:
Darien King
youth.council@mncfn.ca
905-768-2232

Mississauga Nation Videography Camp: Intro Into Editing!

Calling all MCFN youth (ages 13-29)! Learn the basics of video editing and bring your stories to life! This hands-on workshop will help you build skills, boost creativity, and explore digital storytelling in a fun and supportive space.

Saturday May 2nd OR Sunday, May 3rd (choose one day)
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Old Daycare Building

Limited spots (10 per day), register by Friday, April 17th!

For more info or to register:
Darien King
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Next month, we'll be featuring the newly elected MCFN Youth Council and highlighting their voices, ideas, and initiatives. Stay tuned as this space continues to grow and evolve!

Momentum Building As Plans For New Hospital Accelerate

After more than 15 years of planning, momentum is building for a new hospital that will transform how Brant Community Healthcare System cares for patients.

In recent months, we've made significant progress driving forward a project that will help our growing community thrive for generations to come.

Last spring, Ontario's government approved our concept of building a new hospital on a new site and provided an additional \$12.5-million planning grant to continue planning for our redevelopment.

This spring, an independent task force is expected to deliver its recommendations on preferred locations in Brantford-Brant for the new hospital. The task force closed the initial phase of its call for land proposals on February 10 after receiving submissions from many landowners. The task force will evaluate the submissions over the next couple of months before it expects to deliver its recommendation on a preferred site to the BCHS Board of Directors for consideration this spring. We anticipate sharing this publicly after the final negotiations, likely in the fall.

We are preparing to submit our Stage 1.3 Functional Program to the Ministry of Health this June – the final submission required as part of the early planning stage for a new hospital project. This submission outlines the services we expect to provide, how care will be delivered, and the types and sizes of spaces the new hospital will need to serve our community.

We're getting closer. Our planning is accelerating. This project is taking shape. We can feel excitement growing in our daily conversations with patients, staff, municipal partners, and community health partners – in-

cluding through public consultations over the past year.

As we continue to make steady progress, we want to make sure that everyone is up to date on our latest planning. We've been at this a long time. Our early thinking has evolved over the years as we've adapted to the changing landscape around us and gathered more feedback from patients, staff, and community members about what's most important to them today and for our future.

To ensure we're all on the same page, our vision is to continue delivering exceptional patient care to our rapidly growing community by replacing our outdated and ailing facilities with a larger, new hospital featuring expanded services and state-of-the-art technology. We don't need a mega-hospital, just the right hospital for our community: one that's modern, functional, and built for the future.

Our plan for a new hospital to serve more patients includes:

- 40 per cent more beds;
- Single rooms for all patients;
- One third more capacity in a full-service, 24/7 emergency department;
- 33 per cent more ICU beds;
- A state-of the art family birthing centre with 100 per cent private birthing rooms and post-partum rooms;
- An expanded and dedicated integrated stroke unit with a 45 per cent increase in beds for stroke patients;
- A comprehensive state-of-the-art surgical suite including prep and recovery, day surgery, and operating rooms;
- Expanded diagnostics in all major testing areas; and
- An Indigenous healing centre in an accessible and visible location.

BCHS serves the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Six Nations of the Grand River, the largest First Nations community in Canada – just minutes away from our facilities. BCBS has a comprehensive Indigenous Health Team in place and a new Indigenous Health Strategy. A new hospital is an opportunity to design a facility together with local First Nations that enhances our work towards cultural safety, traditional medicines, and incorporates more of the natural worlds as part of the First Nations and Indigenous patient experience.

Our two sites – Brantford General Hospital and The Willett Hospital in Paris – have served our community well for over a century. But they have far exceeded their functional lifespans and no longer meet the needs of the communities we serve.

In the months ahead, you're going to be hearing more frequently from BCBS about our new hospital.

We're going to be speaking about the future home of our new hospital as the site selection process continues.

We'll continue to meet with our municipal partners as we seek support and input. And we'll be providing community members



more opportunities to shape our plans.

We can't wait to hear what matters most to all of our partners and build a hospital system that truly works for today's health care needs and future growth.

(Bonnie Camm is President and CEO of Brant Community Healthcare System. Provided by the Brant Community Healthcare System)



Community Wellness 2026/2027: Applications Now Open

The 2026-2027 Community Wellness program is now open for applications! Members can submit completed forms and required documents by email, mail, or in person at the Lands & Membership office (6 First Line). A mail slot is available for after-hours drop-off. Faxed applications will not be accepted.

This year, the process is even simpler: quotes, estimates, or receipts are not required. Direct deposit (Canadian accounts only) is the preferred method of payment—your name must appear on your void cheque or di-

rect deposit form. If your name is not on your banking information, a cheque will be mailed to your address on file, so please make sure it's up to date. Payments will be issued within 4–6 weeks once your completed application is confirmed.

Members must provide copies of the front and back of two pieces of valid ID, including options like: birth certificate, status card, health card, driver's license, employee or student ID with photo, firearms license, passport, Nexus card, or provincial photo ID card.

Flip the page to access your 2026-2027 Community Wellness applications and **make sure you're using the new application form—old forms will not be accepted.**

Any questions, please reach out to the Lands & Membership office at 905-768-0100 or e-mail cw@mncfn.ca

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COMMUNITY WELLNESS EXPENSE CLAIM FORM-MINOR (Newborn-17 Years) 2026-2027

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 NOT REQUIRED.**
- ** 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.

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LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN EMAIL ADDRESS:	LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN TELEPHONE NUMBER <i>(including area code)</i> :

CHOOSE A PAYMENT METHOD

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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

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MNCFN.CA/EVENTS



April Events

EVENT NAME	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR MCFN YOUTH COUNCIL	APRIL 1 - APRIL 14	-	EMAIL YOUTH.COUNCIL@MNCFN.CA
BREAST FEEDING SUPPORT GROUP	WEDNESDAY APRIL 1ST	12 - 1:30 P.M.	SOCIAL & HEALTH
GOOD FRIDAY • OFFICES CLOSED	FRIDAY APRIL 3	-	ALL MCFN OFFICES
PET WELLNESS CLINIC - DOGS	SATURDAY APRIL 4	10 A.M. - 3 P.M.	4136 HWY 6 PROPERTY
EASTER HOP ALONG	MONDAY APRIL 6	5:30 - 7:30 P.M.	COMMUNITY CENTRE
FITNESS WITH BABY	TUESDAY APRIL 7	11 A.M. - 12 P.M.	COMMUNITY CENTRE
BREAST FEEDING SUPPORT GROUP	TUESDAY APRIL 7	11 A.M. - 12 P.M.	SOCIAL & HEALTH
WATER TESTING	TUESDAY APRIL 7, 14, 21, 28	9 A.M. - 12 P.M.	-
MEN'S GROUP	TUESDAY APRIL 7, 14, 21, 28	6 - 9 P.M.	SOCIAL & HEALTH
GANAWENINDIZON: TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOURSELF!	SATURDAY APRIL 11	10 A.M. - 6 P.M.	WELLNESS HOUSE 4136 HIGHWAY 6
COMMUNITY YOGA	MONDAY APRIL 13, 27	6 - 7 P.M.	COMMUNITY CENTRE
LOW INCOME STATEMENTS DUE	APRIL 16 - APRIL 20 BEFORE NOON	8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.	SOCIAL & HEALTH
FAMILY TO FAMILY SALE	SUNDAY APRIL 19	9 A.M. - 12 P.M.	COMMUNITY CENTRE
COMMUNITY YOGA	MONDAY APRIL 20	6 - 6:45 P.M.	4136 HWY 6 PROPERTY
HEP C/HIV CLINIC	FRIDAY APRIL 24	1 - 3 P.M.	SOCIAL & HEALTH
SPRING FLING	MONDAY APRIL 28	10 A.M. - 2 P.M.	COMMUNITY CENTRE
MCFN COLLABORATIVE ARCHAEOLOGY WORKSHOP	APRIL 20- APRIL 24	9:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.	GREEN WILLOW 2653 FIRST LINE
MCFN COMMUNITY TRUST ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY	THURSDAY APRIL 23	6 - 8 P.M.	COMMUNITY CENTRE
MSHKAKMIKWE GIZHIGAD - MOTHER EARTH DAY CELEBRATION	SATURDAY APRIL 25	10:30 - 3 P.M.	COMMUNITY CENTRE
MCFN ANNUAL HISTORICAL GATHERING	THURSDAY & FRIDAY APRIL 30 & MAY 1	8 - 4:30 P.M.	COMMUNITY CENTRE
MINO-BIMAAADZIWIN COMMUNITY SOCIAL	FRIDAY MAY 1	5:30 - 8:30 P.M.	COMMUNITY CENTRE

EarlyON Calendars

2026 April / HSS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9-11 Infant massage 1-3 Play & Learn	2 9-11 Baby & Tot play 1-3 PDEP	3 CLOSED	4
5	6 9-11 Fork Flower Painting 1-3 Play & Learn	7 9-11 Painting outside 1-3 Outdoor Play	8 9-11 Infant Massage	9 9-11 Baby & Tot play 1-3 PDEP	10 9-11 Bubble Painting 1-3 Outdoor Play	11
12	13 9-11 Outdoors Cheerio Bird feeder 1-3 Play & Learn	14 9-11 Open House 1-3 Play & Learn	15 9-11 Bracelet Making 1-3 Outdoor Play	16 9-11 Baby & Tot play 1-3 PDEP	17 9-11 Flower Loose parts 1-3 Play & Learn	18
19	20 9-11 Sun catchers 1-3 Outdoor Play	21 9-11 Obleck 1-3 Play & Learn	22 9-11 Water painting 1-3 Play & Learn	23 9-11 Baby & Tot play 1-3 PDEP	24 9-11 Make & Take 1-3 Outdoor Play	25
26	27 9-11 Explore Bugs 1-3 Play & Learn	28 9-11 Seed Bombs Outdoor 1-3 Play & Learn	29 CLOSED	30 9-11 Baby & Tot play 1-3 PDEP		

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			1 9-11 Paint Wooden Bunnies 1-3 Play & Learn	2 9-11 Easter Egg Hunt 1-3 Easter Egg Hunt	3 CLOSED	4
5	6 9-11 Mother Goose 1-3 Play & Learn	7 9-11 Make bird feeder 1-3 Play & Learn 5-7 Dinner	8 9-11 The Water Protector Book & Activity 1-3 Outdoor Play	9 9-11 Mud Kitchen 1-3 Play & Learn	10 9-11 Pop up Baby Food Making 1-3 Play & Learn	11
12	13 9-11 Baby Tot 1-3 Play Learn	14 9-11 Flower Spring Sensory 1-3 Play & Learn	15 9-11 Painting Cardboard 1-3 Play & Learn 5:30-7:30 Cedar and red clover teaching	16 9-11 Painting outside 1-3 Play & Learn	17 9-11 Breakfast 1-3 Play & Learn	18
19	20 9-11 Mother Goose 1-3 Play & Learn	21 9-11 Water Play 1-3 Play & Learn 5-7 Dinner	22 9-3 Drop in Program	23 9-11 Book Walk 1-3 Play & Learn	24 9-11 Townsend Trail Walk 1-3 Play & Learn	25
26	27 9-11 Baby Tot 1-3 Play Learn	28 9-11 Flower Pot Painting 1-3 Outdoor Play	29 CLOSED	30 9-11 Trail Walk 1-3 Play & Learn		

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Vision Statement in Anishinaabemowin:

Ezhi Niigaan waabjigaayewaad Michi Saagiig Mesinige Ziibi Anishinaabe (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 mimiingaazwaad (what was given to them by the Creation, what they have always had, their heritage), niigaabminunkiiwaad Anishinaabek (is how they have always lived as Anishinaabek).

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