



# ʔakinmi ya·kiʔ ʔituqʔiʔqakʔamnamki Mount Baker Secondary School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are looking forward to the 2025/2026 school year! The Indigenous Education Support Workers currently working at Mount Baker Secondary School are:

## **Alison Farkvam & Megan Holmes**

In preparation for the upcoming school years, we have enclosed a few documents for your review:

- Indigenous Education and Parent Engagement Permission Form  
**(Needs to be signed and returned)**
- MBSS Indigenous Education and Support Services Information Sheet
- MBSS Indigenous Education Support Workers Contact Information

We look forward to discussing our Indigenous Support Services with your student. We will now be accepting your permission to support your student for the years they will be attending MBSS. Please feel free to drop in and meet with us to learn more about available opportunities. If you do not wish your student to receive support services through Indigenous Education, please let us know. Some examples of services we provide are:

- MBSS Elders in Residence available for guidance and support
- Indigenous Language and Cultural Programs
- Indigenous Support Services
- Advocacy for strategies and structures to be culturally safe and/or appropriate for Indigenous Students
- Drinks are available in the Gathering Place Room 101 for .50 cents
- Free Store for school supplies in Locker 76
- Warriors Student Leadership Program

There are always opportunities and support for Indigenous Students at MBSS.

With thanks and respect,

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## **Indigenous Education Parent Engagement Permission Form**

MBSS Indigenous Education program and services are intended to support the success of Indigenous students. MBSS Indigenous Education programs and services include Indigenous Language and Culture programs, Indigenous Support Services and facilitation of the Indigenous World Views and Perspectives into education at MBSS. MBSS Indigenous Education advocates that strategies and structures used be culturally safe and/or appropriate for Indigenous students. (Please refer to the enclosed reference of services provided.)

**I give permission for the Indigenous Education Program in School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay) at MBSS to be included in communications and decision-making made by MBSS Staff regarding my child, \_\_\_\_\_, a student of Indigenous ancestry at MBSS.**

To assist us in providing supports for your child, please tell us what works for your child, what he/she needs, and/or what has worked for him/her in the past:

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I believe/know that my child has Indigenous Ancestry:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Inuit             | <input type="checkbox"/> Metis               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Status            | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-status          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Living on Reserve | <input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous Ancestry |

### **What is the best way for us to contact you?**

Email:		Text:	
Telephone:		In person:	

Parent Signature:	
Parent Name:	
Date:	

**Please sign and return form to the Gathering Place, Room 101 at MBSS.**



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