Self-Identification Form

The Indigenous Self-Identification form is voluntary and confidential.

Parents/guardians or students over the age of 18 can fill out the form on the flip side and return it to their school at any point during the school year.



Stand Tall - Stand Proud











"iLead Life of a Story" by Rebecca Laforce Almonte District High School



Note: All Parents/Guardians of Indigenous students and students over the age of 18 have the right to voluntarily and confidentially self-identify. Through self-identification, the Board is able to collect relevant information which helps to provide programs and strategies supporting the needs of First Nations, Métis and Inuit learners. The information is being gathered in accordance with section 29(2) of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.



Indigenous Self-Identification Process

OF FIRST NATIONS,
INUIT AND MÉTIS STUDENTS



What is Indigenous Self-Identification?

A process that provides an opportunity for those of Indigenous ancestry - First Nations, Inuit or Métis to voluntarily identify themselves to the Upper Canada District School Board.

Why is the UCDSB asking to Self-Identify?

The Upper Canada District School Board along with the Ministry of Education have identified Indigenous Education as a priority and have identified two areas of focus:

- To improve achievement among First Nations, Métis and Inuit students; and
- To close the education gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous students.

Why Self-Identify?

We want to provide First Nations, Métis and Inuit students with educational opportunities that honour their mental, physical, emotional and spiritual well-being.

Benefits of self-identifying include:

- Access to cultural programming and information about post-secondary pathways;
- Opportunities for Indigenous students such as the First Nations, Métis and Inuit camps, bursaries and Indigenous Leadership Program (iLead); and
- Stronger partnership between Indigenous parents, Indigenous communities and our local schools.

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Tear off this form and return to your school Student's name: Date of Birth: School: ☐ First Nations ☐ Métis ☐ Inuit Student's name: Date of Birth: School: ☐ First Nations ☐ Métis ☐ Inuit Student's name: Date of Birth: School: ☐ First Nations ☐ Métis ☐ Inuit Parent/Guardian Name (or student over 18): Signature: Date: