



NEWSLETTER
SEPTEMBER 2021

TSAG Youth Education and Outreach Programs

TSAG is pleased to offer youth education opportunities in two program areas: promotion of source to tap drinking water protection and fire prevention and safety. If you are interested in any of the programs listed below, please contact us at outreach@tsag.net to schedule a presentation in your community! Virtual options available as well as in-person, when Covid-19 restrictions permit.



SOURCE WATER PRESENTATIONS

OPTION 1

CLASSROOM PRESENTATION

Grades 4-6 or 7-12 (year round, indoors)

30-40 minutes

Introduction to watersheds, watershed stewardship and conservation, and drinking water health using a watershed model. The presentation gets students thinking about threats to drinking water quality, potential careers in water, and the importance of water protection, treatment, and conservation.



OPTION 2 MODIFIED WATER FIELD DAYS

Grades 4-6 or 7-12 (year round, indoors)

1.5-2 hours

Introduction to watersheds, watershed stewardship and conservation, and drinking water health using hands-on educational materials. Students learn about watersheds and threats to drinking water health using a watershed model. The students then perform some basic water chemistry tests and learn about the aquatic insects that are used to monitor the health of lakes and rivers. The presentation gets students thinking about threats to drinking water quality, potential careers in water, and the importance of water protection, treatment, and conservation.

OPTION 3 WATER FIELD DAYS

Grades 7-12 (April-October only, outdoors)

Half day or full day available

Our water field days get youth out on the land at a local stream or lake. The day begins with an introductory talk about watersheds, water health, environmental monitoring, and careers in water. The students then spend the day creating site diagrams, conducting water chemistry tests, and completing an aquatic insect survey to assess the health of the local waterbody.

TSAG INFORMATION BOOTH

Short information sessions that focus on promoting source to tap drinking water protection and awareness, including water treatment, water conservation, careers in water safety and watershed health. This booth is an ideal setup for events such as Cultural Camps, Science Fairs, and Career Fairs.



FIRE PREVENTION PRESENTATIONS

Our fire prevention presentations are offered indoors, year round.

Suggested time: 45-60 minutes.

PRE-SCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN

How to be safe around hot things, matches and lighters, fire and home escape basics.

GRADE 1-2

How to be safe around matches and lighters, how to stop and cool a burn, how to plan a home escape and call emergency services.

GRADE 3-5

Fire safety review, home fire hazards, and reporting an emergency

GRADE 6-7

Fire safety review, fire myths vs. realities, responsible use of fire, fire extinguisher use

GRADE 8-12

Cooking and fire safety, fire and the law, careers in fire services

GRADE 10-12/ADULT

Fire myths and realities, overview of home fire safety, fire extinguisher use



TSAG Fire Education Subscription Boxes

TSAG's Fire Subscription Boxes are curated with a different theme for each month that will include information pamphlets, activities and the option to schedule Zoom presentations with our Youth Outreach Coordinator.

By registering to receive these boxes you will automatically receive the month of October's Fire Safety Week and then you can pick a maximum of three months to receive between now and March.

Please read the descriptions on the next page and mark the ones you would like to receive on your registration form.

These boxes can be set up for multiple grades for the year, so that a maximum of four classes can receive a box for each themed month chosen below. Additional information that is needed to complete each box is: the grade and the number of students in the selected class/es. If multiple classes are chosen throughout the four months selected, please indicate: the grade, number of students, and the themed month for that class.



SELECT 3 THEMES

OCT

October hosts Fire Safety WEEK with 5 days of quick activities that can help save a life in a real fire. Includes: Day 1) Practicing a school fire drill, Day 2) stop, drop, cover the face, and roll, Day 3) turn-out gear demonstration, Day 4) What to do when there is some smoke and a lot of smoke, Day 5) practice door touches.

NOV

Remember, Remember, No Fires in November! Is coming at you with content on burn prevention, how to cool a burn (and how not to cool a burn), classes of fire, why water on a kitchen fire is dangerous and a brief introduction to fire extinguishers.

DEC

No Ember December is all about the holidays and more importantly holiday safety which we can start with inspecting decorations, discarding any worn decorations and remembering as beautiful as the lights are we must NOT OVERLOAD electrical outlets and use extension cords safely. As the decorations go up, the festivities draw in guests and with more people in the home we have to ensure other safety precautions are taken as well.

JAN

Ring in the New Year with a home hazards inspection! After all the celebrations settle down, the guests leave, we are left with having to clean up which can be the perfect opportunity to do some maintenance and repairs around the home! Let us look at some common missed home hazards that can help prevent fires in the home.

FEB

February's Great Family Escape is about creating a home escape map with everyone in the home so that everyone knows exactly what to do in case of an emergency. Identifying all possible exits and escape routes is just the start, so let us help by walking through some home safety checklist items.

MAR

March into Spring with some yard planning that can help protect your home from the threat of wildfires. With the help from FireSmart you will learn what plants to avoid, fire-resistant plants to plant and safe practices when cleaning up the yard.



For more information contact

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REGISTER HERE

ALBERTA INDIGENOUS VIRTUAL CARE CLINIC

The clinic serves rural and urban First Nations, Metis, and Inuit peoples and their families by secure video or phone. Family members of Indigenous people are able to access our clinic, even if non-Indigenous themselves. Our staff and doctors understand, respect, and have experience working with Indigenous peoples. We will make our best effort to book a same day appointment. All appointments are 100% covered by Alberta Health.



CLINIC HOURS

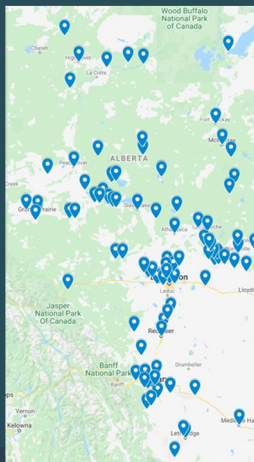
Mon - Tue 8:30am - 4:30pm
Wed 8:30am - 8:30pm ***OPEN LATE**
Thu - Fri 8:30am - 4:30pm
Sat - Sun 12:30pm - 4:30pm

AIVCC Update!

The Alberta Indigenous Virtual Care Clinic was launched in October 28, 2020 and we're pleased to give an update of the impact it is having in Alberta communities! Since it opened its virtual doors, AIVCC has seen from Oct 28, 2020 to July 31, 2021:

- Provided care to 869 unique patients
- Completed 1721 appointments in 96 different locations

The clinic has 18 physicians participating in the program with 4 Medical Office Assistants.



CALL TO REGISTER AND BOOK AN APPOINTMENT TODAY!

1.888.342.4822
AIVCC.ca

School Recycling on Three More Campuses

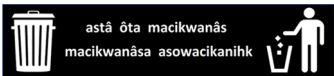


TSAG's Sustainable Communities team has wrapped up collaborating with another three schools to acquire new indoor and outdoor recycling bins for their students and implement new fibre (paper and cardboard) recycle streams. Amisk Community School was lucky enough to already have a fibre service contracted. TSAG providing fibre tote bins for each classroom as well as all new waste and beverage bins with appropriate Cree signage was all that was needed to have the system improved and ready for students' return to campus in the fall! Providing the school with TSAG's Campus Waste Diversion Manual and a Waste Audit kit will help guide teacher project champions to form a green team and maximize student involvement in the coming school year.

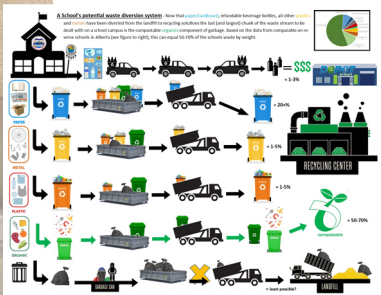


Amisk Community School





In both the Saddle Lake Cree Nation elementary and high schools, Onchaminahos and Kihew Asiniy respectively, similar grants were applied for through a cooperative process to purchase new recycling infrastructure. Initially, a collaborative working group was formed between the teacher champions and administrators on each campus to select the best type and size of bin and for each desired location inside and out. Next, we brought together all of the Cree teachers and language experts from the schools to collectively translate the wording for our recycle signage and labeling that went on each bin. Finally, an online survey was created, to first inform all of the teachers of the ongoing project and existing choices, but also gather their input as to the best graphics for the recycle signs to guide students using them. Utilizing the upper grades special needs class in the coming school year, indoor bins will be built, distributed to classrooms or installed in hallways. Facilitating the older students to take ownership of the new and improved recycle system as a 'green team' will maximize their involvement and allow this student cohort to explore what local work in solid waste management, recycling services, or as a community sustainability coordinator could look like.



Mystery Landmarks!

Can you recognize the landmark featured this month?

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Did you correctly guess the landmark from the July newsletter?

We were proud to feature the Beaver Lake totem pole!

[SEE IT ONLINE](#)