

*MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION OPERATES AS MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION,
AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT WILL BE REFERRED TO AS "MHPSD" AND/OR "DIVISION"*

SECTION 700 – Educational Program

POLICY 710: FIRST NATIONS, MÉTIS AND INUIT EDUCATION

BACKGROUND

The Board recognizes that all children in their service deserve a learning environment that meets their learning needs. First Nations, Métis and Inuit students require a learning environment that is intentional in honoring their histories, cultures, perspectives and lifestyles until such time as the goals of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission are achieved.

POLICY

The Board of Trustees supports educational programs and services which provide meaningful opportunities for all students in the system to develop an understanding and appreciation of different First Nations, Métis and Inuit histories, cultures, perspectives and lifestyles. These programs and services will also provide opportunities for First Nations, Métis and Inuit people to partner in shaping the education their children receive.

GUIDELINES

1. The Division will provide opportunities for First Nations, Métis and Inuit people to help guide and shape the education of their children through parental and community involvement in program planning and structure.
2. A major focus of the program will be to continue to improve the interaction among and between First Nations, Métis and Inuit students, parents, community, schools and the Board.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

[710 P 001 – Indigenous Voice](#)

Approved: September 7, 2004

Revised: December 4, 2017