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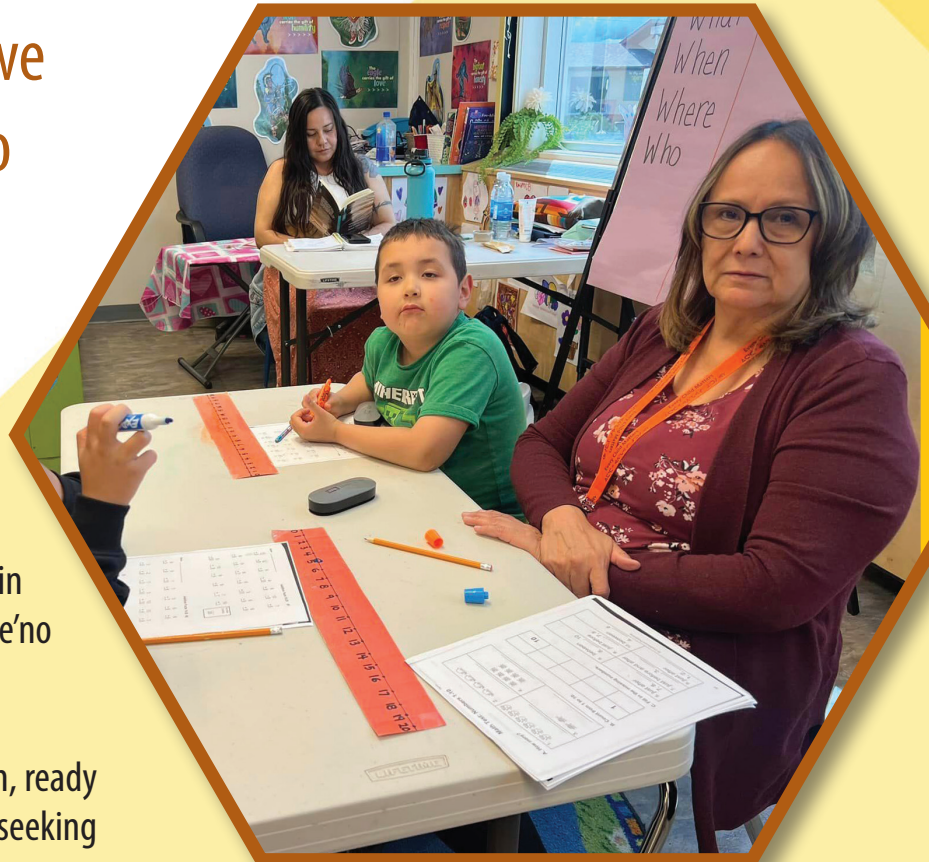
We proudly continue to be an innovative lead in Nehiyawak Pimachihowin as we provide an unparalleled in person and virtual school experience for First Nation students in real-time as a Grade K-6 Alberta accredited school.

Our approach, a fusion of tangible tradition and the Cloud's ethereal possibilities, offers qualitative experiences unmatched in Turtle Island (Canada). At the forefront of curriculum and instructional design, we take immense pride in our academically rigorous program, deeply infused with Nehiyawak Pimachihowin, encompassing Nêhiyawêwin, Traditions, Culture, Practices, Values, and Morals.

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In addition to our virtual classroom streaming options, we serve as a lighthouse for in-person learning. Our contemporary school, spanning Grade K-6, is nestled on the shores of buffalo bay in the Hamlet of Grouard, Alberta and Kapawe'no First Nation.

"Our physical and virtual doors stand open, ready to guide the journey of every student seeking knowledge."



# KNOWLEDGE EVER INCREASING

## MISSION:

To enrich learning rooted in Knowledge Ever Increasing blending ancestral wisdom with academics.

## VISION:

Fostering a learning environment with ancestral wisdom and contemporary knowledge to face and shape tomorrow's challenges.

## LOCATION

Our school finds its home 3.5 hours north of Edmonton and 2.5 hours east of Grande Prairie, accessible via a paved highway on the northwest shore of Slave Lake, known as Buffalo Bay. The towns of High Prairie and Slave Lake lie in close proximity.

## GOVERNANCE WITHIN OUR NATION

With unwavering support from Hereditary Chief Sydney Lee Halcrow and lifetime Councillor Debbie Chalifoux and Councillor Pamela Halcrow, we operate in alignment with our Nation's Governance Codes and the Sovereign and Inherent Rights of Nehiyawak people.



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## NEHIYAWAK PIMACHHOWIN (WAY OF LIFE)

A distinctive feature of our institution is the integration of LAWF (Land, Air, Water and Fire) teachings into our instructional programs and education processes. Nehiyawak teachings hold equal importance alongside Alberta Education coursework, guiding our students on a path of identity discovery and a balanced approach to indigenous and non-indigenous ways of knowing.

Our Nehiyawewin immersion program lays the foundation for the revitalization of our language within our school, Nation, and territory. Our cultural and land-based programs immerse students in the Nehiyawak way of life and ways of knowing. Furthermore, we offer a top-notch Quality Daily Physical Education Program, running in conjunction with our Sports Academy and Indigenous Fine Arts Academy, tailored for students. We firmly believe in achieving academic excellence in harmony with athletic pursuits as a vital aspect of lifelong learning.

“In the rhythm  
of our cultural  
heartbeat, we find  
excellence both in  
mind and body.”





## LIFE LONG LEARNING

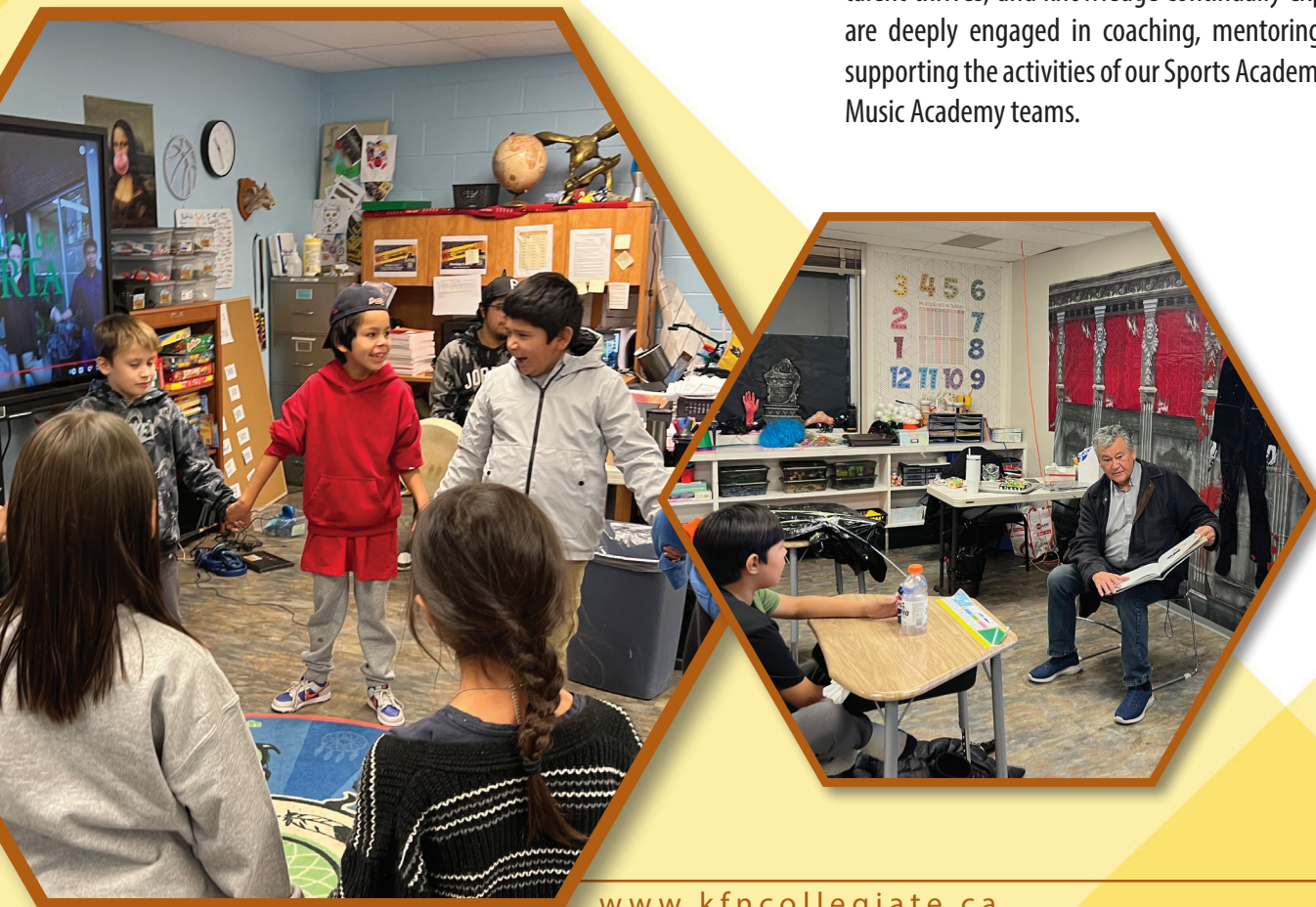
Our school adheres to Alberta Education's guidelines for instructional hours, ensuring a minimum of 950 hours for elementary and junior high student instruction and 1000 hours of instruction for high school. Our flexible school timetable allows for a four-day school week during the winter months (November to April), providing our students with extended weekends to explore, participate in activities, engage in cultural practices, and build upon traditions.

"Learning knows no bounds; it spans generations, seasons, and beyond."

As a federally funded, Alberta and EKC Accredited, First Nation-owned and operated school, we prioritize the well-being of our students, parents, and employees, recognizing them as our most valuable assets within the Kapawe'no First Nation School Authority.

"Our journey is guided by timeless teachings, and our destination is knowledge."

Our multi-talented staff, including Pow Wow Dancers, Olympians, Qualified coaches, Varsity Team Players, musicians, actors, and more, actively participate in the Alberta Junior and Senior high school Athletic Association, Alberta Native Sports programs, Band Concerts, Pow Wows, Drama Productions, and beyond. We have gained recognition as a school where talent thrives, and knowledge continually expands. Our staff are deeply engaged in coaching, mentoring, training, and supporting the activities of our Sports Academy and Fine Arts/ Music Academy teams.



Starting every November, we are among the select few schools in Alberta to implement a four-day work week, continuing until after Spring Break in April. Our school delivery model embodies the Seven Grandfather and Grandmother Teachings of Love, Respect, Humility, Wisdom, Obedience, Truth, and Honesty.

Each day we embark on a new day of learning, guided by the belief that learning commences nine months before birth and endures until nine months after one "crosses" the river to the other side.

"In the mosaic of talents, we cultivate a vibrant tapestry of achievement and creativity."



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