



Aboriginal Education School Plan

School: WVSS

School Aboriginal Education Committee:
Steve Rauh, Jackie Wong, Warren Thiel, Marla McLellan

School Contact Person(s)
Steve Rauh

Activities, events, speakers, presentations, projects etc. that have occurred at your location over the past two years:

- Student fieldtrips to Aboriginal post-secondary career fair at Carson Graham
- Visits to art and English classes by Xwalactun and Bob Baker
- Drum making workshop at ACCESS
- First nation inspired painting with Jackie Wong at school ProD day
- Workshops co-facilitated by Xwalactun and ArtWest45 students on the curatorial process
- Semi-monthly pizza lunch check ins
- Ongoing email correspondence with families regarding community opportunities
- Annual Family Feast event at EsIha7an Learning Center
- Academic support sessions with Success Teacher and senior IB students

Action Plan for 2015/2016

- Connections to BC Curriculum
 - Bob and Faye to present at Feb 2016 staff meeting
 - Continue to explore ways to overlay lens of First People's learning and perspective on new curriculum at ProD and staff Meetings

- First Peoples Principles of Learning
 - 100 laminated posters ordered and received for each learning space as a visual reminder, and prompt
- Parent Education
 - Presentation to PAC and DPAC January 28, 2016
- Community Partnerships
 - Continue to liaise with SD45 Aboriginal Education Committee, as well as Bob and Faye
 - Continue to communicate opportunities for our Aboriginal youth in our school via email
 - Continue to work with and engage our district Aboriginal Success teacher
 - Continue to monitor student progress academically and other via informal check-ins, report cards, counsellors, Success teacher, regular pizza lunches

District support and resources needed this year:

- Success Teacher
- Carol Langley
- Continue communication around opportunities for our youth in the community