



MEDIA INVITE

Winnipeg School Division to announce unique, first in Canada

Indigenous Education opportunity

November 9, 2018 (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg media are invited to join Winnipeg School Division (WSD) students, staff and special guests at St. John’s High School on **Tuesday, November 13 at 10:30 a.m.** for the launch of an exciting and unique new opportunity for Indigenous students.

The challenge:

“29 percent of Indigenous people aged 25 to 64 had no certificate, diploma or degree while the same proportion for non-Indigenous people in the same age group was only 12 percent.” – Statistics Canada National Household Survey, 2011

“44 percent of all Aboriginal people over the age of 15 did not have a high school diploma – compared with 24 percent of the total population” – Statistics Canada, Aboriginal Population Profile, 2006 Census.

Details of this first in Canada program will be announced as follows:

Where: St. John’s High School, 401 Church Avenue (3rd floor theatre)

When: November 13, 10:30 a.m.

WSD was established in 1871 and currently has 78 schools, 33,000 students and 6,000 employees. Its purpose is to provide a learning environment that fosters the growth of each student’s potential and provide equitable opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills and values necessary for meaningful participation in a global and diverse society.

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