

# Toward Seamless Transition



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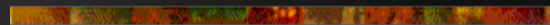
K-12 Education On & Off Reserve

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# Sākēwēw High School Rising to Success: Academically and Culturally

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# Mission Statement





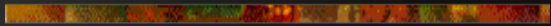
- Experiencing Culture, engaging partnerships, empowering and educating youth.





# Why the School?



- Encourage students to remain in school and graduate (50% drop out rate for First Nations students in Saskatchewan).
  - For First Nations students to further develop pride in themselves by learning more about their culture/heritage.
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- To provide a “support system” that is not presently available in our schools.
  - The First Nation “World View” will be promoted.
  - To provide opportunities for our students to fully participate in such things as: Jr. Chief and Counsel, yearbook, drama, dance, intramural and other extra-curricular activities, MADD, SADD, SSAEY, travel club, SHSAA sports
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- To create a partnership between the school and First Nations communities by establishing Sakewew High School Joint Board of Education - The first of its kind in Saskatchewan and maybe Canada.
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# Why the Partnership?

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- 50% OF THE STUDENTS ARE FROM THE FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITIES
- 50% OF THE STUDENTS ARE URBAN

## FUNDING

- 50% COMES FROM THE INDIAN AND NORTHERN AFFAIRS CANADA (FEDERAL).
  - 50% COMES FROM THE SCHOOL BOARDS (PROVINCIAL).
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# Administration





- Joint Board with Director of Education and a Superintendent
  - Decision to create a “Joint Board of Education” is to allow
    - Teachers to be members of the Saskatchewan Teachers Federation
    - Qualifying for additional provincial and federal funding
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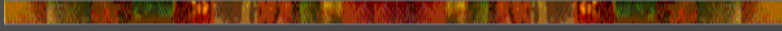
# Management Board



- Ron Ford – L.S.S.D
  - Kate McHarg – L.S.S.D
  - Herb Sutton – L.O.C.C.S.D.
  - Wayne Cormier – Community Resources
  - Brian Jonsson – Prairie North Health Region
  - Rhoda Soonias – BTC Child and Family Services
  - Judy Bear – North West Nations Education
  - Ray Fox – BTC Aboriginal Justice
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- Leah Milton – BTC Training and Employment
  - Ken Rutton – Child and Family Services
  - Irene Tootoosis – Kanaweymik
  - Janice Kennedy – BTC Health
  - John Wandzura – Battlefords First Nation School Joint Board
  - Gerry Guillet – North West Nations Education
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# Support Personnel



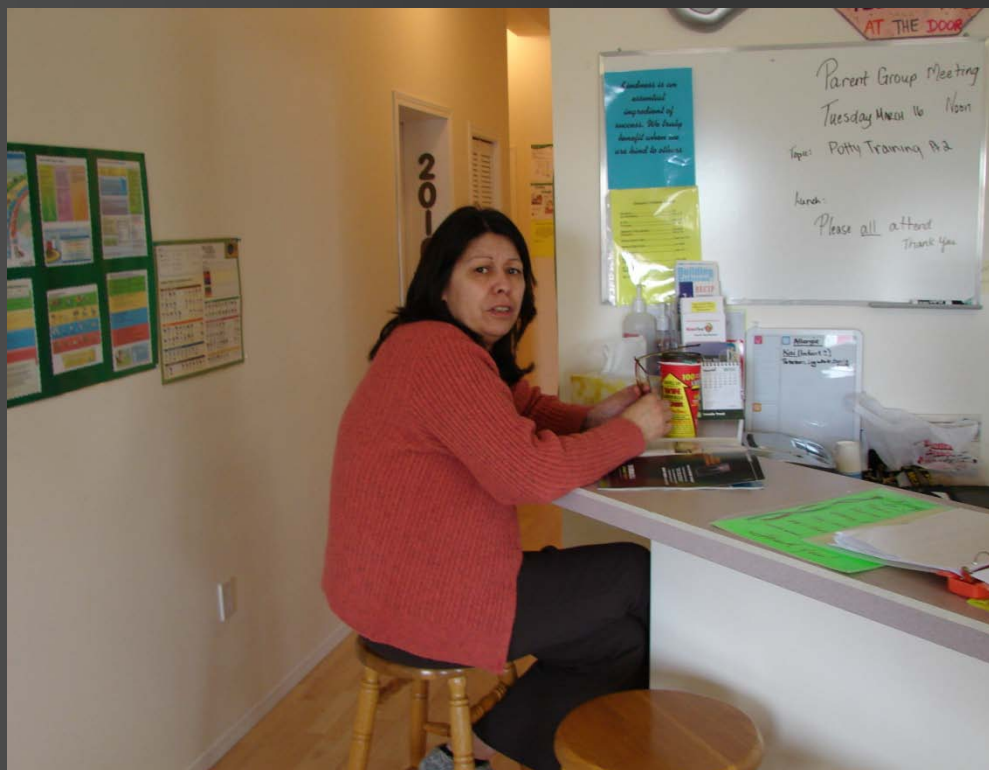
# Home Liaison Worker, S.H.S. Aaron Albert

- Coordinate between Students, Teachers and Attendance Officer
- Home Visits



# Daycare Director Marian Atchenum

- Sākēwēw Child Care Centre Inc.
- 22 spots for children ages 0 – 5
- Provide transportation
- Provide lunch
- 8 staff



# Education Liaison

Sandra Aubichon, M.S.S.

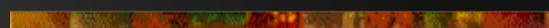
- At-risk youth within Sakewew High School and integrated school linked services.
- Works with students who are temporarily in the Battlefords to assist in the continuity of their programs.
- Contact for adult students who are on provincial social assistance and who have questions about the program or benefits



# Representative Workforce Coordinator Pat Bugler

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- Assist students in post-secondary training, planning and preparation
- Recruitment and retention of aboriginal staff



# Family Therapist Mental Health, Child and Youth Services Alan Corbeil

- Suicide and self-harm risk assessment and treatment
- Family conflict resolution
- Anger management
- Stress management
- Trauma and abuse recovery
- Relationships problems
- Crisis management
- Behaviour management
- Grief and loss counselling



# Senior Student Assistant Gayle Clarke

- Works effectively and cooperatively with staff and students
- Maintain accurate student documentation and files
- Focus of work is with grade 10/11/12 senior students and staff
- Career Counseling



# Community Liaison Worker

Darwin Delorme, Counselor,  
M.S.S.

- Develop, co-ordinate and facilitate services for youth
- Establish intensive supportive relationships
- Provide counseling, mentoring, crisis intervention, mediation, advocacy and support
- Monitor client's progress, coordinate special resources, events which will enhance students knowledge
- Teacher resource



Youth and Family Addictions  
Councillor, P.N.H.R.  
Joy Ferderer

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# Public Health Nurse, P.N.H.R Greg Gubbe

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- Provide counselling on sexual health
- Distribute condoms per student request
- Pregnancy testing
- Urine testing for STD's
- Referrals to other professional organizations where required



# Attendance Officer Aurora Ironstand

- Notify parents/guardians/students of the Attendance Policy as related to missed classes/lates.
- Monitor students who are on Attendance Agreements.
- Keep detailed records of all attendance activities.



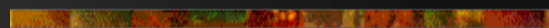
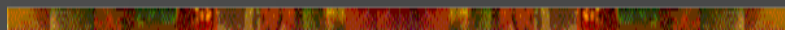
# School Liaison Officer

Cst. Jennifer Lepage



- Police Community Relations with the three high schools – NBCHS, JPCII and Sakewew High School.
- Will work in conjunction with administration to develop emergency contingency plans for personnel and building aspects.
- Developing programming to enhance safety of students and staff.
- To Provide requested information on a career as requested, facilitate and encourage ride-alongs of students and with detachment members. Members may volunteer with coaching or extra curricular activities where applicable expertise may exist.
- To liaise with alcohol and drug addictions councilors to promote education and student well being
- Will initiate investigations that stem from occurrences in the schools and will assist other members in ongoing investigations. Will process or develop mediation skills to deal with minor issues that arise in all three high schools.
- Promote participation of all three schools with Student Crime Stoppers, S.A.D.D. or other related programs.

# Sexual Health Outreach Worker, Kidsfirst Program Kent Lindgren



# Child and Adult Addictions Counsellor, P.N.H.R.

William David Logue and Jody Ferderer,  
Youth At Risk Program Workers

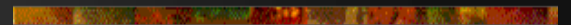
- Alcohol and Drug Addiction Counsellors, North Battleford A.D.S.
- Provide one-on-one counselling and support for students
- Assess and referral services
- Intensive 10 week psychoeducational addictions awareness program
- Information based lifeskills teaching



# Public Health Nurse, P.N.H.R. Shelly Robinson

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- Immunization status
- Nutrition and exercise
- Sexual health
- Pregnancy
- STD's
- Quitting smoking
- Teacher resource




# Addictions Counsellor, B.T.C.

Penny Swindler



Penny counsels students with:

- Addictions.
  - General Counseling
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# Female Elder Doreen Thomas

- Female counselling
- Parenting knowledge
- Female pipe
- Cultural protocols from a female perspective
- Gender roles
- Prayers in all school activities (spiritual guidance)



# Male Elder Ron Thunder

- Provides guidance to the Culture Program
- Counselling
- Sweats and Pipe ceremonies
- Coordinates Elder program
- Leads men in cultural ceremonies
- Talking circles
- Prayers in all school activities (spiritual guidance)



# Cultural Coordinator/SSAEY Coordinator Celeste Tootosis

- Facilitate cultural activities
- Coordinate all cultural activities, trip and events
- Informal cultural counseling from a contemporary view yet keeping the First Nations views in perspective.
- Teacher resource



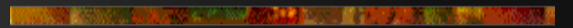
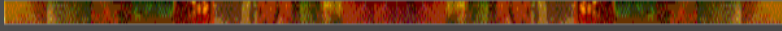
# General Counseling and Addictions

Verna Whitford, Counselor, Indian Health Services

- Counsels students with addictions
- General Counseling



# Outreach Worker Jessay Yonan



# Nutrition Coordinator Lara Zimmerman

- Breakfast program
- Morning snack
- Nutritious lunch (small cost to students)



