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Nishnawbe Aski Nation (NAN) is pleased to announce the in-person gathering of educators, policy makers, school administrators, and teachers for the **2025 Best Practices in First Nations Education Forum**. This forum aims to foster collaboration among educators while promoting an educational environment that nurtures both the intellectual growth and overall well-being of students and educators alike.

This year, the NAN Best Practices Forum will focus on the theme: **"Connecting for Growth and Reconciliation"**. We invite presenters to share insights, experiences, and best practices that contribute to the emotional, physical, and intellectual well-being of First Nation students.

Presentations should demonstrate best practices in First Nations education and be 75 minutes in length. Submissions must align with the theme and emphasize teaching and learning in an environment that caters to the individual needs of each student.

We welcome diverse presentation proposals relevant to Early Childhood Education, Elementary and Secondary Schools, Post-Secondary Education, and Research on First Nations education. Other topics of interest may include:

- First Nations Language and Culture
- First Nations Curriculum
- Transitions to Secondary or Post-Secondary School
- Mental Health and Wellness
- Fostering Collaborative Connections with Each Other
- Reconciliation and Strengthening Relationships
- Education Governance
- Policy Development
- Literacy and Numeracy
- Parental Participation
- Community Engagement
- Student Engagement and Support
- Land-Based Learning

Let us come together to celebrate successes, share knowledge, and pave the way for a brighter future in First Nations education. Your participation will contribute to the collective efforts in creating impactful and culturally responsive learning environment.

Date of Conference: April 8-9, 2025, | Submissions Deadline: March 14, 2025

Please complete the attached Presenter Application Form and send by email to

kfiddler@nan.ca

PLEASE NOTE: NAN will provide compensation for presentations selected for the Forum. Please note that presenters must provide an invoice. If you have any further questions, please contact:

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Presenter Application Form

Please include a copy of your presentation along with this presenter submission, if available; otherwise, a copy of the presentation will need to be submitted 1 week prior to the event i.e. March 25, 2025. Please note that you will be notified if your presentation is chosen for the Forum.

Presenter Information

Name: _____ Position or Title: _____

Organization or School: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Emergency Contact Information: _____

Presentation Description

Presentation Length: Each presentation will be 75 minutes including Q & A Session.

Presentation Title (limit to 10 words):

Presentation Outline (include area of best practices and target audience, limit 30 words):

Presentation Overview (limit to 100 words):

Topics Covered (limit to under 50 words):



Area of Best Practice:

Target Audience (limit 75 words):

Presenter Biography (limit to under 75 words):

Please attach a high-resolution portrait style photo with this application.

We look forward to your engaging proposals and to seeing you at the 2025 Best Practices in First Nations Education Forum.

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