

Attention: Grade 4 Teachers

C/O <u>Administrative Assistants</u>

Indigenous Education presents...

Kumugwe Cultural Society

Big House Experience

Thursday May 16, 2024

Grade 4 students in SD71 will have the amazing opportunity to witness Big House traditions with Andy Everson and the Kumugwe Dancers. Space is limited in the Big House, therefore this is ONLY for Grade 4 students. Students from other grades, particularly split classes, are not able to attend. Sessions will be booked on a first come; first served basis (*you may not get your preferred session*). Schools must reserve and pay for their own transportation to and from the event. The funds to pay for this transportation must come from school-based funds not targeted Indigenous Education funding. Please book all grade 4 students from your school for the same session.

Morning

Arrive by 9:30 am

Big House Experience 9:45 – 10:45 am Depart back to your school @ 11:00 am

Afternoon

Arrive by 12:15 pm

Big House Experience 12:30 - 1:30 pm Depart back to your school @ 1:45 pm

Please have your <u>school's Administrative Assistant email</u> <u>sue.cambrey@sd71.bc.ca</u> with the following information regarding the Grade 4 students from your school:

- 1. preferred morning or afternoon session, or if you have no preference
- 2. name of contact teacher
- 3. number of Grade 4 attending
- **4.** <u>number</u> of adults attending (include teachers, EAs & parents)

Thank you for advising all students, staff and chaperones attending of the protocol while in the Big House:

- No food is allowed
- Walk only when in the Big House
- Use inside voices
- No talking once the ceremony begins
- Remain seated for the ceremony



Please be respectful of the fact that you are on private property and know where your students are <u>at all times</u>. Check in with an Indigenous Education Staff member at the front of the Big House, as a group, when you arrive.