



Canwape Gi Wi
The Moon in which the
leaves turn brown
September 2024

WAPAHA SKA



DAKOTA WOTANIN

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Canwape Gi Wi — September 2024

Wapaha Ska Dakota Wotanin

Will be posted to the website during the first week of the month

REMINDER:

THE NEXT WAPAHA SKA
DAKOTA WOTANIN
SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS:
Thursday, September 26th ,
2024 @ 4:30 PM

Forward Submissions to:

receptionbo@whitecapdakota.com
Or call 306-477-0908
Thank you.

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FIRST WEEK OF October 2024**

WHITECAP EMERGENCY DIRECTORY

FIRE EMERGENCY

Call : 911

POLICING SERVICES

Contact: 911

Complaints & Inquires:
306-975-5145

MEDICAL EMERGENCY

Call : 911

OUTAGE/NATURAL GAS REPORTING

SaskPower Outage Reporting:
306-310-2220

MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION

Medical Taxi: 306-373-4600
Weekdays Only: 8:00am—
4:30pm
After Hours: Call 911

Poachers (TIP) Program

24 hours: 1-800-667-7561
SaskTel Cell: 55555

SELF HELP

& OTHER

Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers:
1-800-222-TIPS (8477)

Suicide Crisis Line:
306-933-6200

Kids Help Line/Suicide Hotline:
1-800-668-6868

STC Well-Being Services
Child Neglect/Protection Concerns:
1-866-871-4237
Toll Free: 1-844-956-5668

Domestic Abuse Crisis Line:
1-888-338-0880

Sexual Assault Crisis Line:
306-244-2224

Poison Control Center:
1-866-454-1212

Problem Gambling:
1-800-306-6789

Health Line:
1-877-800-0002
The Health Line is a group of Health Nurses that will determine if your health condition requires immediate medical attention. This service is available 24 hours a day. All calls are confidential.

Whitecap CSO Team
Telephone: (306) 281-4868

WHITECAP DAKOTA NATION EMERGENCY CONTACT LIST	
CRISIS RESPONSE	
AMBULANCE	911
RCMP	306-975-5145
Saskatoon Mobile Crisis	306-933-6200
SUICIDE PREVENTION	
Whitecap Dakota Nation Health Centre	306-373-4600
24/7 Hotline	1-833-456-4566
KIDS HELP LINE	1-800-668-6868
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	
HOTLINE	1-888-338-0880
Interval House	306-244-0185
Salvation Army Support	306-242-6833
CHILD PROTECTION	
STC Well-Being Services	1-866-871-4237 or 1-844-956-5668
Saskatoon and Rural	306-933-6077
After Hours- Mobile Crisis Services	306-933-6200
Saskatchewan Advocate for Children & Youth	306-933-6700 or 1-800-322-7221
POLICE	
RCMP	306-975-5145
Saskatoon City Police, Non-Emergency Line	306-975-8300
PARAMEDIC EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES	911
HOSPITAL EMERGENCY SERVICES	
Royal University Hospital	306-655-1368
St. Paul's Hospital	306-655-5113
City Hospital	306-655-8230
EMERGENCY SHELTERS	
YWCA, Women's Shelter	306-244-2844
Salvation Army, Men's Shelter	306-244-6280
RAPE/SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT	
Saskatoon Sexual Assault Center	306-244-2224
LEGAL ASSISTANCE/VICTIM-WITNESS ASSISTANCE	
Legal Aide	306-933-7820
Victim Services	306-975-8400
STD INFORMATION (Sexually Transmitted Diseases)	
Sexual Health Clinic, 101 - 310 Idylwyld Dr. North, Saskatoon	306-655-4664
Saskatoon Sexual Health, Family planning	306-244-7989
AIDS Saskatoon	306-242-5005
Persons Living with AIDS Organization	306-373-7766
SELF HELP GROUPS	
Mental Health Clinic	306-655-7950
Alcoholics Anonymous	306-665-6727
Narcotics Anonymous	1-877-463-3537 or 306- 652-5216
Gambling Anonymous	1-800-306-6789
SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELLING (MH Clinic)	
Saskatchewan Health Authority- Adults	306-655-4100
Saskatchewan Health Authority- Youth	306-655-4900
MACSI Center Intake	306-657-4275
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	
Mental Health Therapist – Whitecap Dakota First Nation	306-373-4600
24/7 Hotline	1-855-242-3310
Canadian Mental Health Association, Saskatoon Branch	306-384-9333
Mental Health & Addiction Services Centralized Intake	306-655-7777
COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS OFFICERS	
WDN Justice Worker	306-373-4600
Probation Officer	306-933-6324
Fine Option	306-244-0320



Whitecap Community Safety Officer (CSO) Program.



CONTACT INFORMATION:

Temporary Phone Number: 306-281-4868

Office Location: Whitecap Dakota Nation Fire Hall.



Whitecap Dakota Nation CSO Program Update

Whitecap Dakota Nation's Community Safety Officer Program has recently completed its two-year pilot term. Chief and Council have received much positive feedback on the program and the work of our CSO's. Here are a few updates for WDN Members and residents:

Ongoing and Expanded Program

- WDN Chief and Council will continue to ensure CSO services on Whitecap. Council is working with Canada and Saskatchewan to put additional funding in place to expand the program.
- This year, WDN has approved a budget for 7 CSOs to enhance community safety. With the recent hiring of two new CSOs, we currently have 6 on staff and are recruiting another.

CSO Responsibilities Outside the Community

- CSO's are regularly required to travel to Saskatoon for activities such as:
 - Traffic Court Appearances
 - Business with the RCMP
 - Vehicle servicing and cleaning
 - Meetings with Sask Justice
 - Picking up supplies
 - Training with Saskatoon Police Service

CSO Enforcement Activities

- CSO's have the same enforcement powers as police in the province.
- CSO's actively enforce a zone along Chief Whitecap Trail (Highway #219) between Beaver Creek and the south end of WDN lands.
- CSO's sometimes are required to follow vehicles or are called in by police outside their enforcement zone.
- CSO's participate in joint enforcement initiatives with the RCMP, Saskatoon Police Service, Corman Park Police and others (e.g. Recent Check Stop at #219 and Grasswood Road)
- It is estimated that the CSO's have conducted over 50 sobriety checks over the past year.

**In case of an emergency, please call:
306-281-4868**



**Whitecap Community Safety Officer
306-281-4868**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

WHAT IS A COMMUNITY SAFETY OFFICER (CSO)?

A CSO will provide additional uniformed presence and patrol in WDN. They can investigate low-risk incidents (ex. property theft) and engage in the enforcement of provincial laws and/or WDFN bylaws. They may also work with prevention-based programs, such as schools or with community groups.

WHAT HAPPENS TO THE RCMP?

CSO's and the RCMP will work together. When CSO's deal with low-risk incidents, the RCMP will have more time to focus on serious criminal investigations.

CAN CSO'S PULL YOU OVER?

Yes, CSO's can pull you over when they are in uniform.

CAN CSO'S ARREST YOU?

CSO's have the authority to make arrests under certain provincial legislation.

DO CSO'S CARRY WEAPONS?

CSO's do not carry guns, however, they do carry handcuffs, batons, and an Oleoresin Capsicum spray.

WHY DO WE HAVE CSO'S?

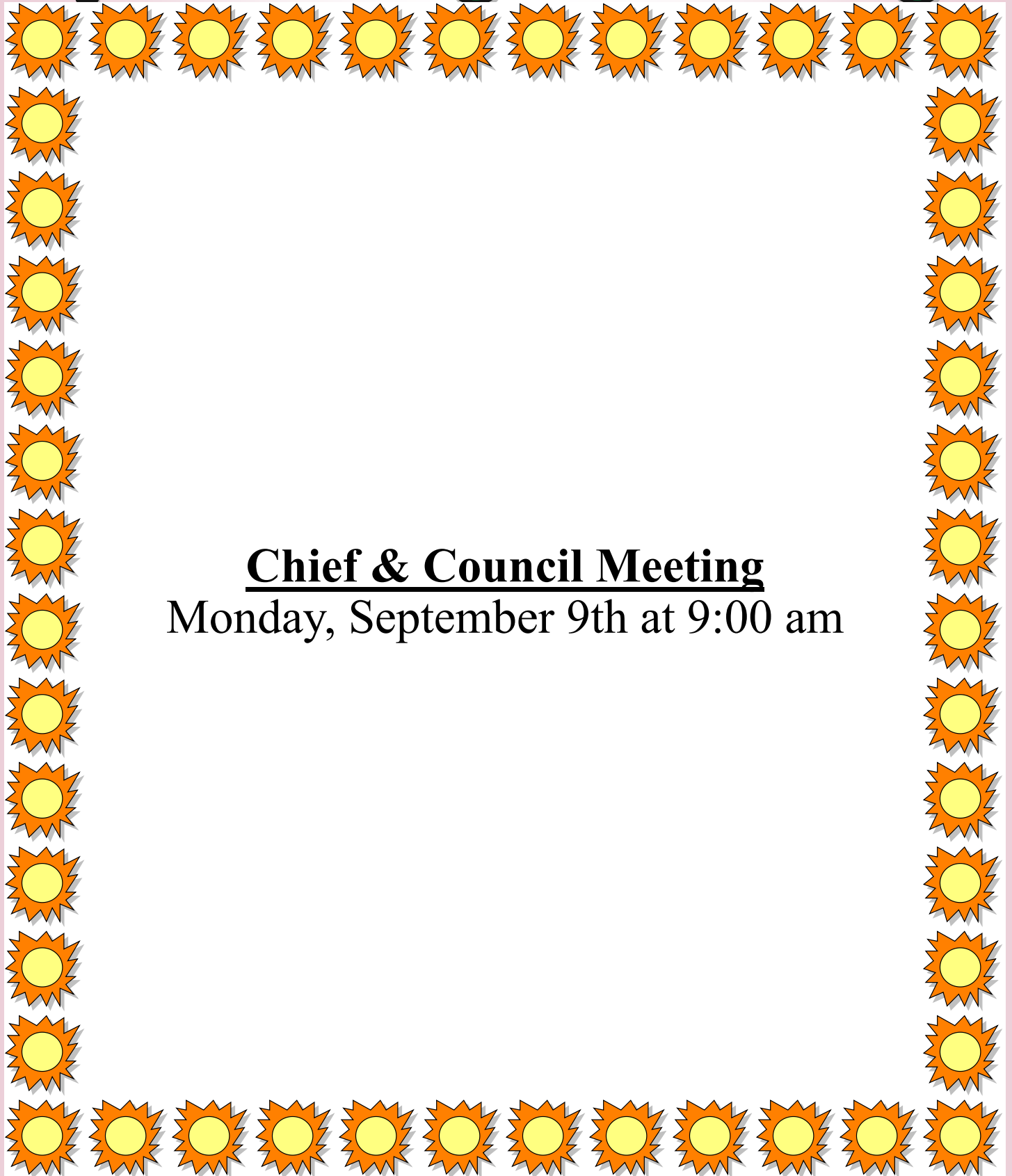
In October 2019, WDN, Muskoday, and the Province of Saskatchewan signed an MoU agreement. The MoU implements the CSO program to better enforce our laws and ensure community safety. This pilot program is supported by federal and provincial policing funding and by the Lands Advisory Board.

CSOs may enforce laws under the following acts:

- *The Traffic Safety Act*
- *The Alcohol and Gaming Regulation Act, 1997*
- *The Highways and Transportation Act, 1997*
- *The Whitecap Environmental Protection Law, 2018*
- *The All-Terrain Vehicles Act and The Snowmobile Act*
- *The Trespass to Properties Act*
- *The Mental Health Services Act*
- *The Stray Animals Act*
- *The Summary Offence Procedures Act*
- *WDN Smoking Bylaw*
- *WDN Cannabis Control Law (2022)*
- *Other WDN Bylaws (e.g., waste disposal)*



Upcoming Meetings



Chief & Council Meeting

Monday, September 9th at 9:00 am



Whitecap Dakota Nation COUNCIL PORTFOLIOS

Chief Darcy Bear

1. Self-Government
2. Intergovernmental Affairs
3. Dakota Reconciliation
4. Economic Development
5. Finance
6. Major Capital
7. Taxation
8. Gaming
9. Housing
10. Public Works & Infrastructure
11. Lands & Agriculture

Councillor Dwayne Eagle

1. Health & Social Development
2. Child and Family Services
3. Saskatoon District Health – WDN Partnership
4. Justice & Policing
5. Occupational Health & Safety
6. Emergency Response, Fire Protection & Security
7. Environment Management
8. Fisheries & Oceans
9. Hunting & Trapping
10. Dakota Dunes Casino Liaison

Councillor Frank Royal

1. Administration & Operations
2. Education
3. Post-Secondary
4. Saskatoon Public School – WDN Partnership
5. Whitecap Early Learning Centre Inc.
6. Culture & Language
7. Youth & Recreation
8. Employment & Training
9. Membership
10. Veterans Affairs



Whitecap Dakota Nation ADVISORY COMMITTEES

EFFECTIVE MARCH 7, 2023

- Education Advisory Committee**
- Culture & Recreation Advisory Committee**
- Membership Advisory Committee**

Members:

Sheldon Buffalo
 Heather Buffalo
 Kevin Littlecrow
 Chelsey Sinclair
 Don Redbear
 Jared Royal

Ex-officio Vice-chairperson:
 Councillor Frank Royal

- Self-Government Advisory Committee**
- Housing & Public Works Advisory Committee**
- Lands Advisory Committee**

Members:

Vivian Anderson
 Jennifer Buffalo
 Elmer Eagle
 Allison Daniels
 Verna Buffalo
 Lori Buffalo-DeLaRonde
 Deanna Harper

Ex-officio Vice-chairperson:
 Chief Darcy Bear

- Health & Social Development Advisory Committee**
- CFS Advisory Committee**
- Justice Advisory Committee**

Members:

Nancy Linklater
 Rick Gamola
 Miranda Harper
 Loretta Whitecap Brown
 Trevor Cheeknew-Buffalo
 Caitlin Royal
 Pamela Eagle

Ex-officio Vice-chairperson:
 Councillor Dwayne Eagle

- Governance Committee**

Members:

Warren Buffalo
 Verna Buffalo
 Rick Gamola
 Heather Buffalo
 Allison Daniels
 Tracey Lafond
 Elder Vivian Anderson

Ex-officio Vice-Chairperson:
 Chief Darcy Bear
 Councillor Dwayne Eagle
 Councillor Frank Royal



WHITECAP DAKOTA HEALTH CENTRE

**PLEASE CALL THE HEALTH CENTRE TO
ACCESS HEALTH SERVICES**

306-373-4600



Appointments available:

8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Monday-Friday

Closed Statutory

Holidays



THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION



STC Well-Being Services

Saskatoon Tribal Council (STC) Well-Being Services works collaboratively with our member communities to provide positive outcomes for children and families through the Progressive Model. The Progressive Model funding assists communities in enhancing their prevention and family support services that keep families intact and thriving within their circle of support and cultural connections. The goal is to move towards implementing and delivering their child welfare model.

Well-Being Services provides two collaborative pathways of services to STC members in their respective communities:

➤ Child Protection and Child Safety Services

STC has the legal authority under delegation of the Ministry of Social Services (Child and Family Services Act) to assess, investigate, and respond to alleged reports of child welfare concerns in our member communities.

Well-Being Services works collaboratively with communities to respond to child welfare concerns focusing on addressing safety concerns that support the child's best interest and build upon family strengths.

➤ Secondary-Level Services

Ongoing assessments are essential in enhancing prevention and family support services. Communities are in the best position to know what is required to meet the needs of their families and children.

Well-Being Services helps facilitate and support capacity building in essential prevention and family support services for our member communities through our clinical and technical support services.

STC Urban Family Services

Our urban members can also access STC Urban Family Services programs for family support and children programs at their new location at 320-21st Street West in Saskatoon. Please call 306-956-0318 for more information or visit STC's webpage.



Intake Contact Information

General Inquiries about Well-Being Services:

306-659-5668 or toll free 1-844-956-5668

(Monday to Friday 8am to 4:30pm)

This number gets forwarded to an answering service outside of office hours and only urgent child welfare concerns will be patched through to an on-call worker

For Kinistin, Mistawasis, Muskoday, One Arrow, and Whitecap:

STC toll-free child protection reporting line: 1-866-871-4237

This number is forwarded to a call-center after hours, which in turn directs the call to the STC worker on call.

For Muskeg Lake:

Child welfare reports currently go directly to the Ministry of Social Services. Their toll-free intake number is 1-800-274-8297. This number is routed through Mobile Crisis outside of regular office hours.

The Child and Family Services Act requires First Nations Child and Family Services Agencies to provide services to families on reserve where children are believed to be in need of protection. The goal of child protection services is to maintain children in their family home whenever possible and, if a child must be removed for their protection, to reunite families as soon as possible.

What is child abuse and neglect?

Abuse and neglect refers to circumstances that may be harmful to a child's physical, emotional or psychological health.

- **Physical abuse** – any action, including discipline, causing injury to the child's body. Indicators: the presence of several injuries over a period of time; any bruising on an infant; reluctant to go home; cannot recall how injuries occurred, or offers an inconsistent explanation.
- **Sexual abuse** – any action involving a child in sexual exploitation or sexual activity including touching, exposure, using a child in the making of/or viewing pornography. Indicators: injuries to the genital or anal area (e.g., bruising, swelling, infection); pregnancy; age-inappropriate sexual play with toys, self, others; bizarre, sophisticated or unusual sexual knowledge.
- **Emotional maltreatment** – expecting a child to be able to do things he or she cannot do, embarrassing or insulting a child, making hurtful comments about a child's appearance, intelligence, size, ability, etc. Indicators: bedwetting and/or diarrhea which is non-medical in origin; frequent complaints of headaches, nausea, abdominal pain; extreme withdrawal or aggressive behavior; severe depression; running away from home.
- **Neglect** – failing to provide a child with enough food, proper clothing, shelter, health care, or supervision. Indicators: hunger, inappropriate dress, poor hygiene, developmental delays; persistent health conditions (e.g., scabies, head lice); steals food; reports no caregiver at home.
- **Domestic violence** – exposing a child to a pattern of abusive behavior or threats of abusive behavior by one caregiver against another (hitting, kicking, restraining, slapping, throwing objects, intimidation, stalking, etc.). Indicators: physical injuries; aggressive or antisocial behaviours; poor social relationships; low self-esteem.

Duty to Report

Anyone having reasonable suspicion that a child's physical, mental, emotional welfare has been or is being neglected has the legal duty to report such information immediately to a local First Nations Child and Family Services, Ministry of Social Services, or to the Police.

“The duty to report overrides professional confidentiality codes when there is reason to believe that a child may be abused or neglected.”

As a parent...

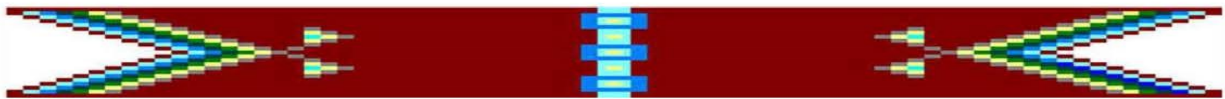
If you would like general information on supports available, please call 306-659-5668 or toll-free 1-844-956-5668 and request to speak to the Social Worker on Duty.

If you feel unable to safely parent your children, please call **1-866-871-4237**.

As a community member...

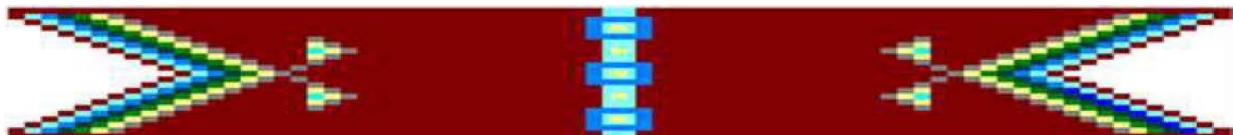
If you believe a child may be neglected or abused, you have a **legal responsibility** to report your concerns by calling **1-866-871-4237**.





Whitecap Dakota Health & Wellbeing
Phone: 306-373-4600
Staff Extension Numbers

HEALTH CENTRE STAFF			
Staff Member	Ext.	Position	Email
Angela Buffalo	8617	Community Health Nurse	abuffalo@whitecapdakota.com
Arlene Peeteetuce	8630	Community Health Nurse	apeeteetuce@whitecapdakota.com
Brenda Littlecrow	-----	Transportation Service Provider	blittlecrow@whitecapdakota.com
Carrie Desnomie	8604	Administrative Assistant	cdesnomie@whitecapdakota.com
Cindy Clarke	8609	Mental Health Therapist	cclarke@whitecapdakota.com
Vacant	---	Custodian	---
Fern Rose	8607	Dental Therapist	---
Holly Anne Cook-Laliberte	8610	Nurse Practitioner	hlaliberte@whitecapdakota.com
Joanna McKay	---	Community Health Plan Writer	jmckay@whitecapdakota.com
Jodie Harder	-----	Custodian	jharder@whitecapdakota.com
Karen Hercina	8610	Nurse Practitioner / CDM	khercina@whitecapdakota.com
Lee Sinclair	-----	Transportation Service Provider	lsinclair@whitecapdakota.com
Lori Buffalo-Delaronde	8615	Income Assistance Coordinator	lbuffalod@whitecapdakota.com
Lori Petruskevich	8603	Mental Health Therapist	lpetruskevich@whitecapdakota.com
Lori Sparling	8601	Director of Health & Social Dev.	lsparling@whitecapdakotahealth.com
Natasha Kwasek	8626	Maternal Child Health/Healthy Living Nurse	nkwasek@whitecapdakota.com
Rachel Tang	8625	Addiction Counsellor	rtang@whitecapdakota.com
Victorine Royal	8600	Receptionist	vroyal@whitecapdakotahealth.com
Wendy Derksen	8618	Accountant – Health	wderksen@whitecapdakota.com
HEALTH CENTRE STAFF TRAILER			
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Jolie Seaton	---	Home Health Aide	jseaton@whitecapdakota.com
Paris Brittain	---	Home Maker	pbrittain@whitecapdakota.com
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Cora Fischer	---	Jordan's Principle Program Manager	cfischer@whitecapdakotahealth.com
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Gabriela Rivero	---	Jordan's Principle Program Service Coordinator	griveroc@whitecapdakota.com
WELLBEING STAFF TRAILER 408 A & B Littlecrow Trail			
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Sheldon Buffalo	---	Cultural Liaison	sbuffalo@whitecapdakota.com
Vacant	---	Director, Wellbeing Services	---
Vacant	---	Child & Family Services Liaison	---
WELLBEING STAFF 410 LITTECROW TRAIL			
Brittany Deschambeault	---	Family Support Coordinator	bdeschambeault@whitecapdakota.com
Lesley Musqua	---	Resource & Kinship Coordinator	lmusqua@whitecapdakota.com
Tammy Kehoe	---	Prevention Supervisor	tkehoe@whitecapdakota.com



Mental Wellness Supports



If you're experiencing emotional distress or someone you know is struggling, these resources are available to support you.
If you are experiencing a mental health crisis, call 911 immediately.

Hope for Wellness Help Line and Chat

Immediate support is available 24/7

Toll-Free: 1-855-242-3310

Online Chat: www.hopeforwellness.ca

**Indian Residential Schools
Saskatchewan Region Toll-Free:**
1-866-250-1529

**National Indian Residential
School Crisis Line Toll-Free:**
1-866-925-4419

The National Indian Residential School Crisis Line has been set up to provide **immediate support** for former students and those affected. Emotional and crisis referral services can be accessed through the 24-hour national crisis line.

**Missing and Murdered
Indigenous Women and Girls
Support Line Toll-Free:**
1-844-413-6649

Wellness Together Canada

Provides immediate crisis/substance use support:

Adults: Text **WELLNESS** to 741741

Front Line Workers: Text **FRONTLINE** to 41741 <https://ca.portal.gs/>

Non-Insured Health Benefits (NIHB) Mental Health Counselling

Immediate support is available 24/7

Toll-Free: 1-866-885-3933

For Youth:

Kids Help Phone supports youth 24/7
and through a partnership with We Matter

Call: 1-800-668-6868 **Text:** 686868

Online: kidshelpphone.ca

wemattercampaign.org

Jordan's Principle NEW
Saskatchewan Toll-Free Line: 1-
833-752-4453

(1-833-SK-CHILD)

www.canada.ca/jordans-principle



Indigenous Services
Canada

Services aux
Autochtones Canada



Jordan's Principle is a principle that ensures there is substantive equality (true equality) and that there are no gaps in publicly funded health, social, and educational programs, services, and supports for all First Nations children, on or off reserve, under the age of majority (0 - 18).

The Jordan's Principle provides necessary funding for any services/products/supports, within the domains of health, dental, medical equipment, mental health, social, educational needs, and any other aspect that directly affects the child's wellbeing.

In addition, the Jordan's Principle not only aids with individual requests but also group requests (group homes, schools, communities, etc.). The aim of the Jordan's Principle is to meet the unmet needs of all First Nations children and to be able to achieve equal outcomes as all children in Canada. Furthermore, the Jordan's Principle seeks to attain a level of care that is within and beyond Normative Standards of Care, provisions that are culturally appropriate, and adequate safeguards in the best interest of the child. There are a multitude of requests of services/products/supports that are provided for all First Nations children. Each request is evaluated and decided on a case-by-case basis.

If your child requires the support from the Jordan's Principle, please contact us. We will provide guidance in application, navigation of language & process, education of Jordan's Principle standards, provisions of immediate resources, and assist with all coordination processes and funding, if needed.

If you need more information, you can visit: CANADA.CA/JORDANS-PRINCIPLE

Cora Fischer
Jordan's Principle Manager
Whitecap Dakota Nation

Any questions or if you are needing supports for your child(ren)
contact Curtis Buffalo our Intake Worker at intake@whitecapdakota.com OR (306) 373-4600
(Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm)



Whitecap Dakota Nation Jordan's Principle



Jordan's Principle ensures that all First Nations children have access to the products, services, and support they require for their health, social, and educational needs.

If you have any questions, need more information, or would like to apply, we have a team in Whitecap that would be happy to help!

For Individual/ Regional Applications :

(ex: education support, respite/daycare, therapy, dental, medical equipment, etc.)

Please contact : Brandon Bear
brbear@whitecapdakota.com

For all other inquiries, please contact:

Cora Fischer - Jordan's Principle Program Manager
cfischer@whitecpdakota.com

Whitecap Dakota Nation Health Center
Phone: 306-373-4600 Fax: 306-343-8855

For Social Requests:

(ex: emergency grocery support, clothing and furniture requests, etc.)

Please contact :
intake@whitecapdakota.com

**You may also visit: [Canada.ca/jordans-principle](https://canada.ca/jordans-principle)
1-855-JP-CHILD (1-855-572-4453)
available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week**



Whitecap Health Centre

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

Whitecap Mental Health Supports
are available 8 AM - 4:30 PM.
For WDN Mental Health Support, please call
306-373-4600.

Cindy Clarke - Mental Health Therapist
306-250-3074

Lori Petruskevich - Mental Health Therapist
306-531-7176

Rachel Tang - Addictions Counsellor
306-491-9077

Mental Health

Suicide Prevention
1-833-456-4566

Hope for Wellness
1-855-242-3310

Addictions Detox
1-306-655-4195

Domestic Violence

Interval House
1-888-338-0880

Sexual Assault
1-306-244-2294

Child Protection
1-888-225-2244

IN AN EMERGENCY CALL 911

EXTENDED HOURS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH

4:30 - 7:30 PM

Primary Health Care
Dietitian Services



CALL 306-373-4600

Virtual Doctor Appointments Available!

Dr. Victoria Sparrow-Downes

Friday, September 6, 2024

8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Appointments are now available with General Practitioner, Dr. Victoria Sparrow-Downes, Friday, September 6, 2024 from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Dr. Sparrow-Downes will be attending the appointment virtually, through our diagnostic robot. The Dr. will have a Nurse in the room with the patient while she visits on the robot (Teledoc).

Dr. Stevens

Friday, September 6, 2024

1:00 pm - 4:30 p.m.

Appointments are now available with General Practitioner, Dr. John Stevens, Friday, September 6, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Dr. Stevens will be attending the appointment virtually, through our diagnostic robot. The Dr. will have a Nurse in the room with the patient while he visits on the robot (Teledoc).

Book Now! 306-373-4600



WDN Health Centre

Foot Care Services

Angela

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17,
2024

Lois

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1,
2024

CALL TO BOOK AT 306-373-4600



PRESENTS

CARSEAT

PRESENTATION

WHITECAP HEALTH CENTRE

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 24 @ 1 PM - 4 PM



**LEARN ABOUT CAR SEAT SAFETY
AND LUNCH PROVIDED**

**CALL OR TEXT RSVP TO TASHA AT
(306) 381 6428**

AGES & STAGES

Growth and Development

What is this?

1. Is your child between the ages of 2 months – 5 years old.
2. Are you wondering if behaviour is normal?
3. This testing will help identify your child's strengths and weaknesses.
4. Nurse Tasha will come to your home and assess your child and teach you ways to help your child succeed.

Call or text Tasha

306 381 6428 to set up an appointment.



HELP ~~STOP~~ DRUG ABUSE

Learn the facts, talk openly, stop the stigma...
ATTEND NALOXONE TRAINING

ASK FOR HELP

1. In an emergency call 911.
2. 24/7 confidential help call 811.
3. Book an appointment at the Health Centre.
4. Speak to someone you trust.

 WHITECAP HEALTH CENTRE

JULY 16, 2024
Naloxone Training
1 - 4 PM

Call or text to NURSE TASHA to sign up:
306 381 6428

SEPTEMBER 2024 – WDN Health Centre Activities

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Wellbriety Zoom Daily M-F 8:30 – 9:00a	2 Labour Day Office Closed	3	4 Lab Day Elder Meals	5	6 VHH Dr. Victoria Sparrow-Downes Dr. Stevens	7
8 Wellbriety Zoom Daily M-F 8:30 – 9:00a	9	10	11 Lab Day CDM Extended Hours Dietician	12	13	14
15 Wellbriety Zoom Daily M-F 8:30 – 9:00a	16	17 Foot Care Angela	18	19	20	21
22 Wellbriety Zoom Daily M-F 8:30 – 9:00a	23	24 Car Seat Presentation	25 Lab Day CDM Dietician	26	27	28
29 Wellbriety Zoom Daily M-F 8:30 – 9:00a	30 Truth and Reconciliation Day Office Closed	1 Foot Care Lois	2	3	4	5



SEPTEMBER 2024

WELLBEING SERVICES PROGRAMMING

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Office Closed	Elders Sewing: 10am	Elders Bingo: 1:30pm	Elders Striders Group: 12:15pm	Elders Movie Outing: Time TBD	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Grief Support Group: Time TBD	After School Rec Club (Ages 5-9): 3:15pm	Elders Sewing: 10am Youth Apex Outing (Ages 10-17): 5:30pm	Elders Craft: 1pm	Elders Striders Group: 12:15pm Open Gym: 5:30pm	Elders Outing: WDN Powwow: 3:15pm	WDN Powwow
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
WDN Powwow	After School Rec Club (Ages 5-9): 3:15pm	Elders Sewing: 10am	Elders Bingo: 1:30pm	Elders Striders Group: 12:15pm Open Gym: 5:30pm		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Grief Support Group: Time TBD	After School Rec Club (Ages 5-9): 3:15pm	Elders Sewing: 10am Adult Bowling Outing: 6pm	Elders Craft: 1pm	Elders Striders Group: 12:15pm Open Gym: 5:30pm		
29	30					
	Office Closed				TRC WALK: TBD Open Gym (Ages 10-17): 5:30pm Adults: 6:30pm	



**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A FOSTER PARENT
OR RESPITE PROVIDER FOR YOUR
COMMUNITY?**

- ✓ **Fostering for Whitecap community and band members.**
- ✓ **Providing respite for children who are in care.**
- ✓ **Please contact Lesley Musqua via phone call, text, or email for more information.**



**Call or text Lesley Musqua
@ 780-777-2509**



lmusqua@whitecapdakota.com



Post-Majority Care Services

Now available: post-majority care services funding in support of individual youth aging out of care or young adults formerly in care up to including the age of 25 (until their 26th Birthday).

Assistance can be provided in various ways. Once eligibility is confirmed, assistance can be made available either through individual support, financial assistance, life planning, or other individualized direct services.

If you are a member of Whitecap Dakota First Nation that is:

- A youth aged out of care residing in the community of Whitecap Dakota First Nation.
- The caregiver of a youth aging out of your care soon (15-18 years)
- A member of Whitecap Dakota First Nation aged out of care from another location.
- A caregiver of a youth registered to WDFN aging out of care soon residing outside the community.

Contact: Kemesha Kilburn-Rodney, Post Majority Care Navigator
Whitecap Dakota Nation Well Being Services
408 B Littlecrow Trail
(306) 316-1508
kkilburnrodney@whitecapdakota.com

WHITECAP IRA NEWS



Indian Registry Administrator Report September 2024

CIS (Certificate of Indian Status) CARDS

By appointment only. Should you require a status card, you may call the Whitecap Government Office at (306) 477-0908 and leave a message with our receptionist. Our receptionist is instructed to screen your call for basic information: Name, reason for card request (First, Expired, Lost), phone number and/or email, and if you have the proper I.D. Then the IRA will contact you to book an appointment.

Is it time to Renew your CIS card? To find out; check your expiry date on the back of your current laminated status card. Please contact the Band Office as soon as you can to book in for a renewal once expired! Note that your Status number does not expire however, your photo must be updated every five years (for adults 18+) and every three years (for children under 18).

SERVICES AND INFORMATION

Italia Eagle is the IRA for Whitecap. For information on Indian Status eligibility, the SCIS (Secure Certificate Indian Status) card application form and process, and band membership, please contact her at the band office with your inquiry: (306) 477-0908

Important Update for Birth Registration Applications

PARENTS, PLEASE READ

We have been advised that applications for birth registrations that are mailed to the National Processing Unit in Gatineau, Quebec have been experiencing a delayed wait time of up to 2 years to process birth registrations, and that it is quicker to process birth registration applications if done in person or mailed to a regional office in Saskatchewan.

Parents: Please do not mail your child application for birth registration to the address listed on the application form. Instead, we strongly encourage parents to contact the Whitecap IRA for assistance with birth registration forms processing.

Options for parents for processing their child registration applications:

1. *On Reserve or Local Urban Parent Members:*
 - a. Preferred method: Make an in-person appointment with the Whitecap IRA to verify the completeness of your forms, then she will mail them directly to the regional office in Regina.
 - b. Mail the application to the Whitecap IRA so she can verify the forms content and send to the Regina office:

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Whitecap Indian Registry Administrator
182 Chief Whitecap Trail
Whitecap SK S7K 2L2

2. *Off Reserve Members:*

- a. Preferred method: Mail the application to the Whitecap IRA so she can verify the forms content and send to the Regina office.
- b. In Person – Regina: Call (306) 780-5392 and ask to set up an appointment.
- c. In Person – Prince Albert: Call (306) 953-8522 and ask to set up an appointment.
- d. Mail to: ISC – Governance
1783 Hamilton Street
Regina, SK, S4P 2B6

Application forms are available from the Whitecap IRA, or can be found online at www.canada.ca/indian-status

Please ensure to fill-out the **updated** 2020 Child/Dependent Adult application form found on the website or pick-up copy of the latest version available at the Band Office and Health Centre. Any old versions of the application will not be *accepted*.

REQUIRE A SASK. HEALTH CARD? Call toll free **1-800-667-7551** to place your request.

U.S. BORDER CROSSING

Consult the U.S. Customs and Border Protection for updates *before* you travel at **1-202-325-8000** or check this website for more info: <https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid>

WDN TOTAL POPULATION as of July 31, 2024: 714

WHITECAP IRA NEWS

Process to Register Your Child on the Indian Register

Documents required:

1. A completed 'Application for Registration on the Indian Register (for children 15 or younger or dependent adults)'
 - Applications may be picked up at the Band office or Health Centre, as well as online on the Indigenous Services Canada website under the Indian Status tab. **Please note that any old versions of the application will not be accepted.**

Click here for current [Application](#) form

- **Important Note:** Spelling and spacing of any given or family names that will be entered in IRS must be the same as the names appearing on the Proof of Birth Document
2. An original proof of birth document with parental information
 - To get an original proof of birth document, applications may be picked up from the Band Office or Health Centre. You can also visit the Saskatchewan Vital Statistics website: www.saskatchewan.ca – Vital Statistics or view the contact information below.

Vital Statistics

Phone: 1-800-667-7551 (Toll-free Canada & US)
306-787-3251

Email: VitalStatistics@eHealthSask.ca

Phone service: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday (excluding statutory holidays)

- The proof of document must contain parental information (at least one parent stated on the birth document)
- The identity information must be visible and undamaged. If information is illegible, the document will not be accepted.

If the child or dependent adult's name on the application form is different from the name on the proof of birth document or legal documents, you must also submit:

- an original legal name-linking document, such as a change of name certificate, that links the previous name with the current name
- or
- a copy of a legal name-linking document and valid acceptable identification with the name that is on the application form

If the name of the applying parent, custodial parent or legal guardian is different from the name on any of the other necessary documents, you must also submit:

- a copy of a legal name-linking document, such as a change of name certificate, marriage certificate or divorce order, that links the previous name with the current name

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If the Applicant cannot obtain the other parent's signature:

If both parents' names are listed on the child's birth document and after reasonable attempts to locate the other parent to obtain their signature were unsuccessful, a "Statement in Lieu of Other Parent's Signature" form can be completed.

3. A copy of valid acceptable identification of the applying parent, custodial parent or legal guardian; copy must be taken of the front and of the back of the identification, each copy signed and dated by a guarantor (IRA).
 - One piece of valid government issued ID which contains the full name, date of birth, photo, and signature. You can provide *more than one* supporting ID in order to fulfill the data requirements.
 - Must indicate the Document Type (i.e., Saskatchewan Driver's License), Document Number (i.e., Driver's License number), the Expiry Date (YYYYMMDD format), and your Name exactly as it appears on the ID.
4. **For a child (15 or younger)**, any legal documents granting custody or guardianship of the child to the applying parent or legal guardian, if applicable **for a dependent adult**, the guardianship order
 - Must indicate if there are any legal documents pertaining to the custody or guardianship of the child. If there are such documents, then must provide the most recent photocopies of the legal documents.
5. It is important to note that the **Guarantor Declaration** is required in the following three (3) situations:
 - When an applicant does not have sufficient supporting identification to submit with the application;
 - When the applicant is applying by mail without the assistance of an IRA; and
 - When a third party submits an application on behalf of an applicant

Note that the application form must be submitted to ISC within the last 12 months from the date it was signed by both parents

All required/mandatory fields must be completed as stated in the instructions. **Failure to complete these sections may result in delays in processing the application.**

Please note that applications for birth registrations that are mailed to the National Processing Unit in Gatineau, Quebec have been experiencing a delayed wait time of up to 2 years to process birth registrations, and that it is quicker to process birth registration applications if done in person or mailed to a regional office in Saskatchewan.

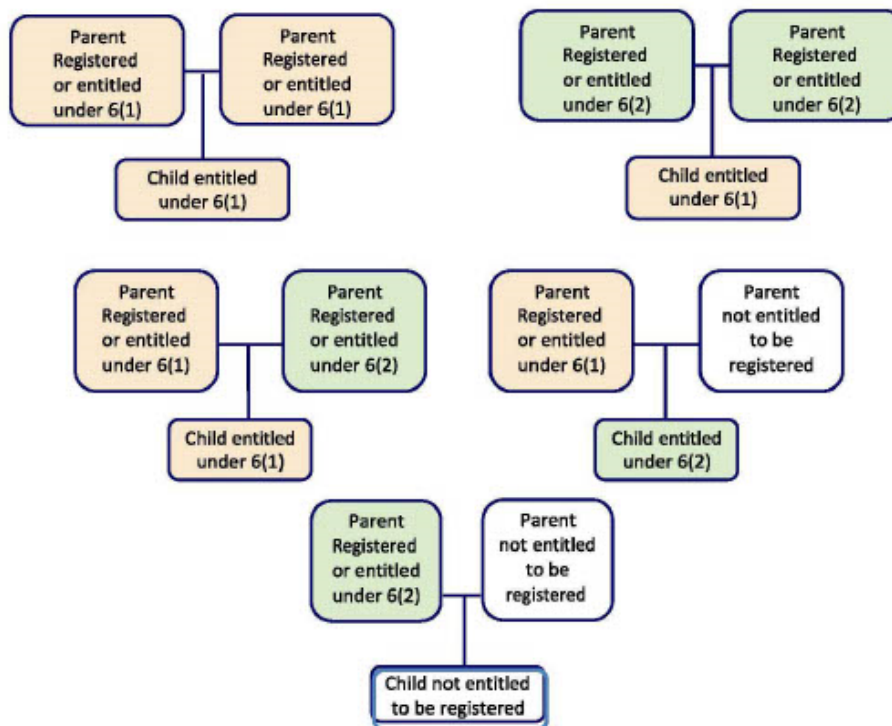
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How do I know if my Child is Eligible to be Registered as an *Indian*?

Category Chart

This is a basic reference chart for section 6 entitlements under the *Indian Act*:



There are two key distinctions between entitlement categories, Subsections 6(1) and 6(2).

6(1) Entitlement

- An individual registered or entitled to be registered under subsection 6(1) can pass status to their child(ren).

6(2) Entitlement

- An individual registered or entitled to be registered under subsection 6(2) must parent with another registered or entitled to be registered Indian in order to pass status to the child(ren).

If only one parent is listed on a child's birth record, it is assumed that the other parent is non-Indian and therefore your child would only be entitled for registration under category 6(2) or not entitled at all. Therefore, it is crucial for the father to sign the "live birth document" in hospital at the time of birth. If the father could not be at the hospital at the time, please ensure to contact Vital Statistics Saskatchewan (eHealth) to request an "amendment to their child's birth record" to add the father.

WHITECAP BAND MEMBER PARENTS: *If you have any questions at all regarding Child Registration, or if you are unsure of your category of registration in the Indian Register, please feel free to contact your Whitecap IRA for assistance: Italia Eagle at (306) 477-0908.*



Do you have a will?

Did you know?



<9%

Less than 9% of First Nation peoples on reserve pass away with a will

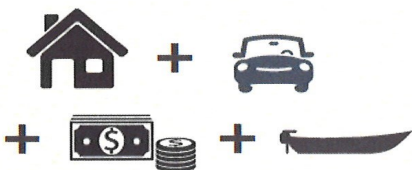
- the INAC website has information about planning your estate
- your will differs if you live on- or off-reserve
- the *Indian Act* outlines what should be included in your will
- you can't gift your land on reserve to someone who is not a member of your First Nation
- you can change your will as often as you like
- writing a will doesn't have to be complicated or costly

Why make a will?

- to provide for your loved ones, your children and grandchildren
- to decide who will get your home



- to clearly state who should receive your possessions



- to name who will take care of your children and dependents



- to leave instructions for end of life ceremonies



- to name who will take care of your estate



A will could provide peace of mind and clear direction about your wishes to your family and loved ones



Visit <http://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1100100032530/1100100032532> for more information

This publication is also available in French under the title: Avez-vous un testament?



NOTICE REGARDING THE Whitecap Dakota Nation MEMBERSHIP CODE, 2012

BACKGROUND

- The *WDFN Membership Code* document was approved by the membership on November 16, 2012 via referendum (voting).
- The Minister of INAC notified the WDN on August 23, 2013 that the *Code* was approved and is effective and retroactive to December 4, 2012.

MEMBERSHIP CODE GUIDELINES SUMMARY AND APPLICATION PROCESS

An individual must be a registered Indian in order to apply to be on the WDN (Whitecap) Band list.

Automatic Membership

- The parent(s) of minor children that requested of INAC to be on the Whitecap band list at the time they applied for their child to be a Registered Indian is recorded by INAC as an “affiliate” of Whitecap.
- An adult who became eligible to be a Registered Indian as a result of Bill C-3 that requested of INAC to be on the Whitecap band list at the time applied for Registration as an Indian is recorded by INAC as an “affiliate” of Whitecap.
- “Affiliates” are required to complete an application form for Band Membership and submit to the Membership Clerk for processing along with required document(s).
- The Membership Clerk notifies the individual in writing of the status of Band Membership application.
- The Membership Clerk updates the Whitecap Band list accordingly.

Discretionary Membership

- The individual completes application for Band Membership and submits to the Membership Clerk for processing along with required documents.
- The Membership Clerk takes forward the application to the Membership Committee for their review and recommendation to Council.
- The Membership Clerk takes forward recommendation from Membership Committee to Council.
- If approved, the Membership Clerk posts a Notice of the approved Band Membership application for 30 days.
- The Membership Clerk notifies the person in writing of the status of Band Membership application.
- The Membership Clerk updates the Whitecap Band list accordingly.

DEFINITION OF AN “AFFILIATE”:

When an individual is affiliated with a Band, it means that the individual is a registered Indian in the IRS (Indian Registry System) with that band and is eligible for benefits including certain non-insured health benefits, the possibility of post-secondary education assistance and exemption from certain federal and provincial taxes. Only that band can grant an individual Membership and access to benefits such as: the right to reside on-reserve; housing on-reserve; voting privileges within the band; and the right to involvement in Community affairs, etc., depending on that Band’s Code.

**★ Band Membership Application is available at the
Whitecap Dakota Government Office or Health Centre ★**

**If you have any questions, please contact the WDN Membership Clerk (Sheila)
at 306-477-0908 or scaisse@whitecapdakota.com**

*Remember to update the WDN Membership Clerk if you move.
The Membership Clerk will correspond to the latest address on file.*

WHITECAP HOUSING & PUBLIC WORKS

Online Banking

Did you know?

Whitecap Dakota Nation
accepts rent payments through **Online Banking**

Online Payment: Fast, Simple, Convenient

The easiest and **preferred method** for rent payments is **online banking**.

Simply add Whitecap Dakota Nation as a Bill Payee.

All you need is your Customer Number, which can be obtained by calling the Whitecap Housing or Finance departments at 306-477-0908

Benefits:

- Schedule your payments in advance or set up as a recurring payment.
- Saves you time, paperwork, and legwork.
- The payment is recorded in your transaction history.
- Online payments are safe and secure.

Pay rent, or damage deposit, any time through your RBC, BMO, TD, CIBC, Scotiabank, Affinity Credit Union, Conexus Credit Union or First Nations Bank of Canada online banking from any personal computer or smart phone app – **day or night, 24/7.**

Your bank not listed? No problem. We can get your bank added to the list. Please call the Whitecap Finance staff to request that your bank be added.



We have noticed a growing amount of pest control cases within the community. Please call the WDN Housing Office at 306-491-9090 with any requests concerning any pest issues. Here's a few tips to follow as well as a link to Service Canada on how to maintain pest control.

Pest control tips - Canada.ca

- Remove sources of food, water and shelter.
- Store food in sealed plastic or glass containers. Garbage containing food scraps should be placed in tightly covered trash cans. Remove garbage regularly from your home.
- Fix leaky plumbing and don't let water accumulate anywhere in the home. Don't let water collect in trays under your house plants or refrigerator. Don't leave pet food and water out overnight.
- Clutter provides places for pests to breed and hide and makes it hard to get rid of them. Get rid of things like stacks of newspapers, magazines, or cardboard.
- Close off places where pests can enter and hide. For example, caulk cracks and crevices around cabinets or baseboards. Use steel wool to fill spaces around pipes. Cover any holes with wire mesh.
- Learn about the pests you have and options to control them.
- Check for pests in packages or boxes before carrying them into your home.





Whitecap Dakota Nation

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Website: www.whitecapdakota.com

Memo

To: WDN Community Members
From: Terry Parenteau, Director Public Works
Cc: Warren Buffalo, CEO
Date: January 3rd 2024
Re: **Recycle and Waste Collection Schedule**

Happy New Year!

Loraas Recycle and Waste Collection schedule is as follows:

Recycle Collection for January 1st 2024 has been rescheduled to January 6th 2024.

Regular schedule of Recycle Collection will be executed every second Monday as of January 15th 2024.

Regular Schedule of Waste Collection will continue to be executed every second Friday.

The Loraas - Whitecap 2024 Recycle and Waste Collection Schedule is on the following page for your convenience.



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Memo

To: WDN Community Members
From: Terry Parenteau, Director Public Works
Cc: Warren Buffalo, CEO
Date: January 3rd 2024
Re: Loraas Disposal Recycle Bins and Waste Bins

Please keep in mind when discarding your garbage and recyclables.

1. Collection equipment requires clear, safe access to your container on collection day to ensure service.
2. Containers with inappropriate materials, overweight or over height could be bypassed by collection personnel.
3. Garbage bags should not be stacked on top of or beside the garbage bin. The garbage bin must be able to close. Cardboard boxes/material do not belong in the garbage bins but rather the blue recycle bins.

The Grey garbage bins are clearly marked **“DO NOT OVERFILL”**

The Blue Recyclable bins are clearly marked **“Recyclable Products”**

Below are illustrations of what to do AND what not to do on garbage day.



ACCEPTABLE



UNACCEPTABLE



(306) 242-2300 | 805 - 47th Street East Saskatoon, SK S7K 8G7 | customercare@loraas.ca | loraas.ca



WHITECAP- 2024 COLLECTION SCHEDULE

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US KEEP OUR ENVIRONMENT CLEAN!

- Ensure your cart is rolled out by 7 a.m. on your designated collection day.
- Collection equipment requires clear, safe access to your cart.
- Do not place your container within 4 feet of buildings, vehicles, overhead and underground utilities.
- We are not responsible for any damage resulting from service provision.
- Containers with inappropriate materials, overweight or overloaded will be bypassed by collection personnel.
- Should your scheduled collection day fall on a statutory holiday, please be advised service will continue as normal.
- If you scheduled collection day falls on either Christmas or New Years Day, collection will occur on the following Saturday.

■ RECYCLE PICK UP DAY

■ GARBAGE PICK UP DAY

2024

JANUARY							FEBRUARY							MARCH							APRIL						
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MAY							JUNE							JULY							AUGUST						
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SEPTEMBER							OCTOBER							NOVEMBER							DECEMBER						
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NOTICE

Please be advised of some recent changes to the operations at the Waste Transfer Station:

- Effective immediately, waste will be tracked and monitored by the Waste Transfer Attendant.
- Accepted waste includes:
 - Solid waste (sorted and bagged)
 - Organic waste (grass clippings, leaves, garden material, etc.)
 - Scrap metals
 - Recyclable materials
 - Wood
 - Electronics (computers, tv, etc.)
 - Used appliances (fridges, stoves)
 - Tires
 - Construction and demolition materials (shingles, bricks, cement, siding, etc.)
 - Propane tanks
- Hazardous accepted materials include:
 - Used oil and used oil filters
 - Automotive batteries
 - Used paint and stain
- When dropping off any lawn mowers or other items that may contain fuel or oil, it will be the individual's responsibility to drain any and all fluids prior to disposal at the site. The site attendant can restrict what is accepted at the transfer station.
- The facility is available for access Monday to Friday, 8:00AM – 4:30PM by appointment only. Gates will be locked at all times when unsupervised. To access the site, contact the WDN Public Works office at (306) 477 – 2013.
- WDN Community will be notified when the site will be open and available for use without appointment via the community newsletter, the Whitecap mobile app, and/or the WDN website.



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Memo

To: WDN COMMUNITY MEMBERS

From: Whitecap Workplace Health & Safety Committee (WWH&SC)

Cc: Warren Buffalo, CEO
Sandy Chess, Emergency Management Coordinator

Date: October 4, 2023

Re: **Dogs at Large**

The WWH&SC has received an increased number of complaints of dog(s) running at large and in some cases acting aggressive towards children at play and to drivers picking up tenants up for programming. Please keep in mind the scheduling of programs and ensure your dog(s) are secured for the safety of others.

Your cooperation to ensure the safety of the community is greatly appreciated.

ADVERTISEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTICES

Hunting on Whitecap Dakota Lands

As per a Whitecap community meeting motion, WDN has requested that Saskatchewan Conservation Officers patrol Whitecap Reserve Lands for unauthorized hunters.

- If you are a WDN Member and hold a status card you may hunt as per usual. *Remember it is necessary to carry your status card while you are out hunting.*
- Non-WDN members with a status card need a written permission slip from the Band and their status card while hunting.
- Non-status individuals must have a valid hunting license and a written permission slip from the Band.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Band Office.

Turn in Poachers or Unauthorized Hunters at:

**TURN IN POACHERS
24 HOURS – TOLL FREE
1-800-667-7561
SASKTEL CELL - #5555**

Thank you for your understanding.

The Chief and Council of the Whitecap Dakota Nation and its Members, would like to thank the Dakota Dunes Community Development Corporation (DDCDC) for their contributions to the following Community Events/Projects:

- Sports Ground Upgrade
- Elder Cabin Repairs
- Rink Maintenance
- Hotel Fence
- Hotel Booth Renovation
- Surveillance Cameras
- Whitecap Warriors



We look forward to another successful year in the name of community investment and partnership



COMMUNITY

NOTICE

~NEWSLETTER GOING GREEN!~

Starting with the June 2024 issue, the *Wapaha Ska Dakota Wotanin* newsletter will no longer be delivered in paper copy to each of the Community households unless you submit your request to our office.

If you would still like to receive a paper copy, please contact Shelby at the Band Office 306-447-0908.

The digital copy will still be available on the Whitecap Dakota website:

www.whitecapdakota.com



WDN On-Reserve Subsidy Programs 2024-25

The Whitecap Dakota Nation has the following On-Reserve Subsidy Programs available to eligible Band members or Community members. These programs sheets can be downloaded from the WDN website under the “Our Community” section under “On-Reserve Subsidy Programs”. The application forms are in PDF fillable format. Click here:

<https://www.whitecapdakota.com/en/our-community/on-reserve-subsidy-programs.aspx>

You may also contact the department office responsible for administering these programs for a copy be sent to you.

Each Subsidy Program contains a description of what is available to apply for, the Eligibility criteria, the Approval Process, Contact Information, and an Application Form.

- **WDN On-Reserve 50/50 Agriculture Projects Assistance Program**
 - Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
- **WDN On-Reserve 50/50 Home Improvement Program**
 - CEO
- **WDN On-Reserve Children’s School Supplies Program**
 - Community School Coordinator
- **WDN On-Reserve DDGL Golf Season Pass Subsidy Program**
 - CEO
- **WDN On-Reserve Market Rent Subsidy Program**
 - Director, Housing
- **WDN On-Reserve Minor Sports and Fine Arts Fees Program**
 - CEO
- **WDN On-Reserve Private Home Ownership Program**
 - Director, Housing
- **WDN On-Reserve Rent Subsidy and Computer Grant for Skills and Trades Apprenticeship Program**
 - Director, Public Works
- **WDN On-Reserve Seniors Housing Subsidy Program**
 - Director, Housing
- **WDN On-Reserve Seniors Tax Return Service Program**
 - Director, Economic Development & Lands



FITNESS CENTRE PROTOCOL HOURS



6:00 AM to 10:00 PM DAILY

1. In the interest of Community safety, the Fitness Centre door is locked 24-7, 365 and all users must enter a code to gain access. → See page 2*
2. **ENTER AT YOUR OWN RISK.** All users acknowledge, by your use of this facility, that such use is at your sole risk, and that you shall be liable for and shall indemnify the Whitecap Dakota First Nation against any and all claims, actions, liabilities, losses, damages, or expenses relating to your use of this facility.
3. **MUST BE 16+ YEARS OF AGE**
4. **MUST BE A WHITECAP COMMUNITY OR STAFF MEMBER**
5. **MASKING IS OPTIONAL**
6. **LOG-IN AND LOG-OUT.** Enter your name, time entered, and time exited in the logbook in the entrance.

SAFETY RULES:

- If you are experiencing mild, cold-like symptoms including cough, sore throat, and sneezing, without fever, please refrain from entering our buildings.
- No children under 16 years of age allowed in the Fitness Centre
- Pay attention to the safety posters in the Fitness Centre

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the
Whitecap Band Office during business hours:
8:00am-4:30 pm Monday-Friday: (306) 477-0908

FITNESS CENTRE ACCESS CODE PROCEDURE

EFFECTIVE JULY 6, 2023

Fitness Centre users must sign up for Whitecap's new notification system called  VOYENTALERT!

as this will be the only way we will communicate code changes.

The community code is changed every 2 weeks on Mondays (Tuesdays if Monday falls on a Stat holiday) and a notification will be sent to you via *Voyent Alert*.

In the interest of Community Safety, please do not share the community access code to any person who is not a Whitecap Band member or Community member.

Thank you for your understanding.

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Security Notice:

- This facility is monitored inside and out by security cameras
- The security alarms are set to automatically disarm shortly before 6am and to arm shortly after 10pm. If you remain in the gym past the scheduled close time, an alarm is generated, and authorities are notified. **Please exit the gym promptly at 10 pm so as not to set off false alarms.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the
Whitecap Band Office during business hours:
8:00am-4:30 pm Monday-Friday: (306) 477-0908



Whitecap Sports Centre Booking Policy for Whitecap Band Members

(Revised June 10, 2024)

1. This booking policy is for Whitecap Dakota Nation (WDN) Band Members only.
2. Band Members must contact the Band Operations Administrative Assistant to provide details of event: 306-477-0908.
3. The Administrative Assistant checks on availability and then relays the request to the CEO for approval. Once approved, the Administrative Assistant proceeds with the following:
 - a. Arranges for a Facility Usage Agreement (FUA) to be signed by the CEO and the Band Member.
 - b. Arranges for the collection of the rental fee of \$150.00 from the Band Member and provides counter-signed copy of the FUA to the Band Member.
 - c. Books the WDN after-hours security person to: open/close the gate to the sports grounds, open/close the sports centre, and to perform inspections of the facility before and after the event.
 - d. Arranges for a refund of \$75.00 to the Band Member provided that the Sports Centre is left in a clean state, there are no damages and there is no missing WDN property. Deductions will be made accordingly based on the inspection report.

Booking Conditions:

- Band Member is responsible for any missing WDN property and/or damages to the Sports Centre and agrees to reimburse WDN for replacement/repair costs.
- The use of the sports centre *includes* use of the kitchen if required; Band Member is responsible to clean the kitchen area and cooking appliances after use.
- No alcohol allowed in the Sports Centre.
- Band Members must bring their own supplies, such as disposable plates, cutlery, coffee/tea, and condiments.
- There is a coffee maker, tea kettle and microwave available for use.

Note:

This booking policy *does not* apply to bookings for the outdoor areas of the sports grounds i.e.) the Dakota Gardens or Sports Centre patio. Please refer to that separate policy for the booking protocol.



Dakota Gardens or Sports Centre Patio Booking Policy for Whitecap Band Members

(Revised June 10, 2024)

1. This booking policy is for Whitecap Dakota Nation (WDN) Band Members only.
2. This booking policy applies to the Dakota Gardens or the Sports Centre Patio.
3. Band Members must contact the Band Operations Administrative Assistant to provide details of event: 306-477-0908.
4. The Band Operations Administrative Assistant checks on availability and then relays the request to the CEO for approval. Once approved, the Administrative Assistant proceeds with the following:
 - a. Arranges for a Facility Usage Agreement (FUA) to be signed by the CEO and the Band Member.
 - b. Arranges for the collection of the rental fee of \$150.00 from the Band Member and a provides counter-signed copy of the FUA to the Band Member.
 - c. Books the WDN after-hours security person to: open/close the gate to the sports grounds, open/close the shower-house washrooms, and to perform inspections of the washrooms and the outdoor area(s) before and after the event.
 - d. Arranges for a refund of \$75.00 to the Band Member provided that the area is left in a clean state, there are no damages and there is no missing WDN property. Deductions will be made accordingly based on the inspection report.

Booking Conditions:

- Band member is responsible for any missing WDN property and/or damages to the shower-house washrooms, the Dakota Gardens or the Sports Centre Patio and agrees to reimburse WDN for replacement/repair costs.
- For events involving the serving of alcohol, the Band member must obtain approval from Council and purchase a liquor license, liability insurance and provide own security staff.

Note:

This booking policy *does not* apply to bookings for the Sports Centre. Please refer to that separate policy for the booking protocol.



**Charles Red Hawk Elementary School (CRHES)
Gym Rental Policy
for Whitecap Band Members**
(Revised January 1, 2024)

1. This rental policy is for WDN Band Members only.
2. Band Members must contact the CRHES Administrative Assistant** to provide details of event.

*** During the summer months of July and August, contact the Administrative Assistant – Band Operations at the Band Office.*

3. The CRHES Administrative Assistant makes inquiry with the School Principal and the Lead Youth & Community Program Coordinator on availability of gym. Once approval granted, the CRHES Administrative Assistant proceeds with the following:
 - a. Arranges for a Facility Usage Agreement (FUA) to be signed by the CEO and the Renter.
 - b. Collects a rental fee of \$150.00 from the Renter and issues a receipt and a copy of the FUA.
 - c. Books the WDN after-hours security person to open/close the gym and to perform inspection of the facility after the event.
 - d. Arranges for a refund of \$75.00 to the Band Member provided that the area(s) are left in a clean state, there are no damages and there is no missing CRHES property. Deductions will be made accordingly based on the inspection report.

Notes:

- No alcohol allowed in the CRHES Gym or premises.
- The use of the CRHES Gym does not include the use of the Kitchen unless the event is for a wake/funeral.
- Kitchen use for a wake/funeral is limited to appliance use only (fridge, stove, microwave and commercial coffee machine). Families must bring their own cooking supplies and equipment (cookware, dishware, utensils, etc.).
- The school's kitchen cooking supplies and equipment are strictly for the use of the CRHES Nutrition Program.

Bookings for Funeral/Feast Protocol:

- The WDN will not charge a rental fee if the event is for a wake/funeral. The Band Member is still required to make their booking request through the CHRES Administrative Assistant, and a facility inspection will be performed following the wake/funeral.
- The WDN will charge a rental fee of \$150 if the event is for a private, family memorial feast and does not include use of the kitchen.



Booking Policy for Other Whitecap Indoor Facilities

(Updated April 3, 2023)

Please be advised that the following indoor facilities *are not available* for bookings for private events by Whitecap Band Members:

- **Fire Hall:** no longer available for bookings as it has been converted into office space.
- **Elders Centre:** not available for bookings as is dedicated to programs for Elders and certain health programming by Whitecap staff.
- **Cover-All** (at sports grounds): not available for bookings.

Note:

Please refer to the notices regarding the booking policies for the Sports Centre, the Dakota Gardens or Sports Centre Patio and the CRHES gym.

NOTICE

Be advised that hunting and fishing on the Dakota Dunes Golf Course is strictly prohibited.

REMINDER

Whitecap Dakota Nation

Community Curfew

All persons, 12 years of age and under are required to be off Community streets and Community property between 8 P.M. and 7 A.M. unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.

All persons, between the ages of 13 and 17 are required to be off Community streets and Community property between 11 P.M. and 7 A.M. unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.



Whitecap Dakota Nation
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Clinical Integration Manager

We are a modern and progressive Nation located 26 km south of Saskatoon, and if you are an enthusiastic and dedicated professional, we want to hear from you. We offer competitive compensation and great benefits. Apply to join our team today and see what the Whitecap Dakota Nation is all about.

Position Summary

Since 2013, the Whitecap Dakota Nation, Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA), and First Nation and Inuit Health, SK have collaborated and actively partnered to redesign, deliver and improve health services better suited to Whitecap community residents on Dakota territory. As part of this health transformation, Whitecap's tripartite partnership and co-delivery model is with the SHA and the Saskatoon Tribal Council for second and third level services to be provided to community based or first level services in the Whitecap Health Centre (WHC).

Employment Type: Full-time, Permanent

Duties and Responsibilities

The Clinical Integration Manager works collaboratively with SHA's Primary Health Facilitator to design and deliver integrated; coordinated, optimized needs-based care in the WHC. Reporting to the Director of Health, the Clinical Integration Manager will have experience working with and leading a multi-disciplinary team and will oversee the WHC's day-to-day operations. In accordance with standards of the WDN the Employee will:

- Maintain clinical standards;
- Maintain interagency partnerships;
- Attend meetings and provide support to the Health Director around reporting and budget maintenance;
- Scheduling;
- Develop and implement the Clinical Operations Manual;
- Seek out further health initiatives around maternal mental health and wellness, prenatal and postnatal, chronic disease management, home care and palliative care;
- Provide oversight and guidance for all clinical activities at the WHC;
- Work with second level partner supervisors to ensure best practice guidelines and licensing requirements are maintained;
- Participate in Community events, as applicable;
- Dissemination of best practice recommendations to the WHC staff;
- Conduct monthly staff meetings;
- Attend clinical team meetings and huddles;
- Assist with grant writing;
- Ensure the WHC is meeting all reporting requirements (in conjunction with the Health Director);
- Continued quality improvement initiatives;
- Contribute to the monthly Community newsletter;
- Oversee staff reporting requirements on a monthly basis;
- Maintain life labs services for the Whitecap community;
- Oversee WHC's foot care clinic;



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- Management of the clinical staff including community health nurse, community health representative, home health aide, medical transportation driver, community mental health therapist, addictions counsellor and accreditation coordinator;
- Support and follow all safe work policies and procedures;
- Attend and successfully complete all OH&S training as assigned / required;
- Provide support for safe work best practices with peers and team members; and
- Other duties assigned by the Health Director.

Knowledge, Skills and/or Abilities

- **Education:** Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree is a requirement. Master of Nursing an asset. Current registration with the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses Association (SRNA).
- **Experience:** A minimum of 5 years of experience in community Nursing recommended
- **Skills:** Demonstrated ability to develop, assess, implement and evaluate strategies to meet Community Health needs. Strong understanding of the Social Determinants of Health and how they affect a Community's overall health outcomes. Awareness of First Nation values, culture and traditions. Must demonstrate strong conflict management skills. Excellent organizational and communication skills.
- **Technical Proficiency:** Skilled in Microsoft Office suite: Word, Excel, Outlook (scheduling meetings/managing calendars). Effective written and oral skills; excellent documentation and record keeping skills.
- **Professionalism:** High level of professionalism and confidentiality. Professional experience working effectively with First Nations individuals, groups, families and communities would be an asset.
- **Logistics:** Must possess a valid Saskatchewan driver's license and a reliable vehicle.

Working Conditions

- Some travel as required and/or requested.
- Overtime hours worked to ensure compliance with the planning, coordination and administering of the Whitecap Dakota Nation Clinical Operations Manual; and
- Interacts extensively with employees, various management levels and the public.

Salary and Benefits

- Competitive salary based on qualifications and experience
- Pension eligibility, Health benefits, Employee and Family Wellness program

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Submit cover letter and resume by email to: employment@whitecapdakota.com
- Application Deadline: September 20, 2024
- Note: Only candidates selected for interviews will be contacted. Thank you to all applicants for their interest.

The successful candidate shall be subject to a Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Search as a condition of employment.



Whitecap Dakota Nation
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Child Social Worker

We are a modern and progressive Nation located 26 km south of Saskatoon, and if you are an enthusiastic and dedicated professional, we want to hear from you. We offer competitive compensation and great benefits. Apply to join our team today and see what the Whitecap Dakota Nation is all about.

Position Summary:

You will be an integral part of the Whitecap Dakota Nation Charles Red Hawk Elementary School Team and report to the Principal. The Child Social Worker provides support services to assigned clients and will work in both group and one-on-one settings to support the child's well-being and wellness activities.

Employment Type: Full-time, Permanent

Duties and Responsibilities

The following duties **are not** intended to serve as a comprehensive list of all duties performed by all employees in this classification, only a representative summary of the primary duties and responsibilities. Incumbent(s) may not be required to perform all duties listed and may be required to perform additional, position-specific duties. In accordance with the standards of the Whitecap Dakota Nation and reporting to the Principal, the Employee will:

- support and follow all safe work practices and procedures;
- attend and successfully complete all required/assigned OH&S training;
- complete contact recordings on each child they are assigned to and ensure all contact notes are entered into the electronic case management system;
- complete caseload statistical reports monthly and submit them to the Principal;
- provide one-on-one support services as identified in the case plan for each child they are assigned to;
- establish a relationship of trust and support by being caring and honest, showing primary concern to the child and their family;
- help children and their families/caregivers become involved in activities designed to reduce isolation and to establish support systems;
- engage in positive and healthy activities with the children while coaching them on how to select positive healthy activities;
- teach and share life skills, such as preparation for independent living, parenting skills, budgeting, and hygiene, and planning for transitioning out of care, etc.;
- provide opportunities for children to become involved in cultural and traditional practices/ceremonies;
- engage in child leadership opportunities;
- create positive professional relationships;
- immediately report any issues that children raise/disclose that must be addressed to the Principal; and,
- other related tasks and duties as assigned

Core Competencies

- **Communication** –Has excellent speaking and writing skills; understands how to put people at ease and to create a safe and positive atmosphere.
- **Client Focus** – Identifying and responding to current and future client needs: building positive relationships and adapting to client needs.
- **Community Development** – Encouraging learning and development and supporting improvement in the community.



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- **Interpersonal Relations** – Builds strong and friendly relationships with others; Helps and encourages others to share experiences and knowledge
- **Analytical Thinking** – Takes information from different people and places and brings it together in ways that help with understanding
- **Results Achievement** – Tries hard to make sure that things are done correctly and on time, even when things change, or there are problems along the way
- **Problem Solving / Decision-Making** – Works well with other people and knows when to ask for help and when to include others in making decisions
- **Community Knowledge** – Understands First Nations communities, cultures, traditions, and practices in Saskatchewan; Knows about child welfare and social services
- **Adaptability** – Makes changes to deal better with new or unexpected issues
- **Conflict Management** – Tries to be prepared for any problems that might come up; Quickly deals with disagreements or conflicts and moves on

Education and Experience Requirements

- Four (4) year Bachelor of Social Work
 - Consideration may be considered for a combination of education and extensive experience
- Three (3) years' experience in the human services field
- Successful completion of training in various human services fields with a focus on First Nation communities

Knowledge, Skills and/or Abilities

- Understanding of First Nations Child and Family Service Agencies standards, practice, policies, and procedures in First Nations setting
- Knowledge of the Saskatchewan Child Welfare Act, along with awareness of Child Welfare policies and procedures and the Customary Standards of Care
- Knowledge of Indian Child and Family Services (ICFS), Ministry of Social Services), and Indigenous Services Canada (ISC)
- Demonstrated Knowledge of First Nations History from Colonization to Present Day, this includes (but is not limited to) the emotional, physiological, physical, and spiritual effects of such history on First Nations people.
- Basic knowledge of counselling skills, e.g., life skills, lifestyles
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite and its applications
- Valid Driver's Licence

Application Process

- Submit cover letter and resume by email to: employment@whitecapdakota.com
- Application Deadline: September 27, 2024
- Note: Only candidates selected for interviews will be contacted. Thank you to all applicants for their interest.

The successful candidate shall be subject to a Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Search as a condition of employment.



Reminder for ATV/Snowmobile Users!

- Please be respectful of peoples property
 - Stay in ditches and trails
 - Follow all safety rules: helmets, etc.
 - Respect time of day(ATV's are loud, be considerate of neighbors)
- Children under the age of 16 should not be operating an ATV
- Be cautious of children playing and pedestrians

Have Fun and Be Safe!



ATV SAFETY



All Terrain Vehicles, (including side by sides) are specifically designed for off road use and provide a rewarding recreational experience and a valuable tool for those that use them for work. They are not toys, and can cause serious injury or death when operated by the untrained and inexperienced riders.

In Saskatchewan all ATVs are governed by the Saskatchewan All Terrain Vehicles Act (2021)

According to Saskatchewan Government Insurance (SGI), 29 people were killed and 310 were injured in ATV collisions on public roads in the province from 2012 to 2021. However, a majority of ATV crashes and fatalities happen on private roads and aren't included in that data. In Saskatchewan ATVs are the leading cause of hospitalization and death for children 1 to 19 years of age.

In accordance with the Saskatchewan All Terrain Vehicle Act, to operate an ATV, you **MUST** be 16 years of age and have a valid Driver's License.

Youth between 12 and 15 years of age can operate an all-terrain vehicle if:

- they have successfully completed an approved ATV training course, or;
- they are directly supervised by a person who has held a driver's license for the previous year

Following these guidelines will ensure that you make it home safe and sound:

1. **GET TRAINED** – it's important that riders know how to ride their ATV properly. Youth between 12 and 15 years of age **MUST** have successfully completed an approved ATV training course. All riders can benefit from the training.
2. **Wear the Gear**. Saskatchewan ATV Act requires that all ATV riders (including passengers) wear a helmet and goggles (if the helmet doesn't have a face screen), this includes side by sides. Roll cages are not foolproof and in a roll over the driver's head can come in contact with the roll cage or other parts of the ATV resulting in serious head injuries.
3. **Do not allow passengers** unless the ATV is designed to carry a passenger. Single person ATVs are just meant for one person, adding a passenger can create a dangerous imbalance in the ATV, and roll overs are more likely to occur.
4. **The Right ATV** – this is especially true for children. ATVs have warning labels which advises what minimum age is appropriate to riding that ATV. Allowing a child or small person on an ATV that is too large or powerful to handle can have dire consequences.
5. **Ride with a Buddy or Group** – at the very least make sure someone knows where you are going to ride and when you are expected to come back.
6. **Know your Limits** – attempting advanced or tricky maneuvers, without the proper experience and training, can lead to crashes, and serious injuries.

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FIRESMART BEGINS AT HOME

HELP REDUCE THE RISK OF WILDLAND FIRES

With the beginning of nicer weather comes all our favorite outdoor activities again. WDN is currently under spring fire restrictions. Backyard fire pits are allowed with conditions. The WDN Fire Chief must be notified prior to fire pit use, there must be means of extinguishment and must be fully extinguished after use. Fire pits are not to be left unattended. To help reduce the risk of wildland fires, follow these fire safety tips.

REDUCE IGNITION SOURCES

It's possible to unintentionally start a grass fire or wildland fire in dry conditions. Reduce the risk by following these steps:

- Dispose of cigarettes and matches correctly. Don't throw lit cigarettes or matches out of your vehicle or on the ground;
- Avoid driving through or parking on dry grass. A vehicle's exhaust can reach a temperature of more than 538 degrees Celsius (1,000 degrees Fahrenheit). It only takes 260 degrees Celsius (500 degrees Fahrenheit) to start a fire;
- Don't use machines or tools that may cause sparks during dry conditions. If you must use a tool such as a grinder, wet down your working area and have a fire extinguisher handy;
- Teach your children not to play with fire or with matches. Fire can spread quickly.

BE FIRESMART

Reduce the risk of fire around your home and the community by practicing the FIRESMART tips below.

- Keep your lawn cut and your gardens and paths well maintained, and leave raked up;
- Keep woodpiles at least 10 metres (30 feet) from away from your home;
- Firepits should be placed as far as possible from structures, fences, and trees as possible;
 - Keep the area 3 metres (9 feet) around the firepit free of combustible materials;
 - Always ensure the firepit has proper ventilation and is screened with 6mm or finer wire mesh.
- Cut the grass around your outbuildings and around tanks or other containers that may contain flammable materials;
- Do not burn trash or leaves unless they are in a dump or grass free area;
- Regular maintenance and cleaning in the corners and crevices of your yard and under your deck will leave nothing for embers to ignite;
- Relocate propane tanks at least 10 metres from your home;
- Hold your sheds and other structures to the same standards as your home.

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KEEP YOUR FAMILY 72 HOUR EMERGENCY KIT UP TO DATE AND BE PREPARED TO EVACUATE.

Tips to FireSmart Your Home

Taking action to FireSmart your property will dramatically decrease the risk of wildfire damaging your home. The best part is, it's surprisingly easy to do.

- Clean under your deck to remove any combustible material. Establish a 1.5 metre non-combustible zone around the perimeter of the house and deck.
- Clean and maintain gutters and roofs. Keep decks and balconies clear of leaves and debris.
- Keep grass and weeds cut below 10 centimetres.
- Have a **wildfire evacuation plan** and make sure everyone in your household knows what to do.
- Download the **FireSmart home assessment** and do a self-assessment of your home and property.
- Hold sheds and other structures to the same standards as your home.
- Relocate propane tanks 10-30 meters from your home, and keep combustible vegetation a minimum of 10 metres from propane tanks.
- Move firewood and lumber 10-30 meters away from home.
- Prune trees to create a two-meter clearance from the ground to the lowest branches.
- Add non-combustible 3 millimetre screens to external vents (except dryer vents).
- Reduce the flammability of your landscaping and plant wildfire resistant vegetation. [Learn landscaping.](#)

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Office Closure NOTICE

Please be advised that the Government Office, Business Centre, Public Works, Health Centre, Housing Office and Whitecap Early Learning Centre will be

Closed

Monday, September 30th, 2024

(National Day for Truth and Reconciliation)

**Normal business hours will resume at
8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 1st, 2024**



Office Closure NOTICE

Please be advised that the Government Office, Business Centre, Public Works, Health Centre, Housing Office and Whitecap Early Learning Centre will be

Closed

Monday, October 14th, 2024

(Thanksgiving Day Stat Holiday)

**Normal business hours will resume at
8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 15th, 2024**