

# Federal Indian Day School Information

## McLean Settlement

**Claim Forms are due by July 13, 2022**

### **WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

The McLean settlement provides compensation for people who attended Federal Indian Day School(s)/Federal Day School(s) during qualifying years and who suffered abuse or harm by staff, officials, other students and third parties at school. Note that the Claim Form requires you to disclose “levels” of harm and abuse.

### **CAN I MAKE A CLAIM ON THE BEHALF OF A FAMILY MEMBER WHO IS DECEASED?**

One person may file a claim on behalf of an individual who attended Day Schools and died on or after July 31, 2007.

- **If the individual had a will**, their Executor/Estate Trustee/Administrator can make the claim on behalf of the estate.
- **If the individual lived on reserve and did not have a will**, a representative will need to be appointed as an Estate Administrator. Information on how to become an Estate Administrator can be found by contacting Indigenous Services Canada (ISC). Then, the appointed representative can complete the claim form.
- **If the individual lived off reserve and did not have a will**, a representative will need to be appointed as an Estate Trustee by the Office of the Public Guardian and Trustee. Then, the representative can complete the Claim form.

When considering an estate claim, please start the claim form as soon as you are able as they often take more time to complete. If you need assistance or additional information, contact us.

### **WHAT WILL I NEED?**

- Full name, date of birth, Status Card number or beneficiary number, and SIN
- Name(s) of Day of School(s), their Location and Dates or Ages of Attendance
- A photocopy of one piece of government issued identification. Example: Status Card, a driver’s license, Social Insurance Card
- Someone to witness your signature
- Supporting documents (only if applicable)

If applying for **Level 1** verbal/physical abuse or harm, you do not need to provide any additional documentation.

If applying for **Level 2, 3, 4, or 5** physical/sexual abuse or harm, you will be asked to provide: a written narrative and supporting documents. Supporting documents can be any form of “proof” that shows attendance at the school and/or the harm and abuse suffered. You must remember that some supporting documents are required, whereas others are only if they are available to you.

Attendance related documents can be class photos, enrolment forms, letters, or report cards, etc.

Harm or abuse related documents can include any medical/dental/nursing/therapy records of lasting effects, family or friends providing written narratives, diary entries, etc.

**If any required documents are missing, you can sign a Declaration as instead.** This Declaration must be witnessed by a professional (called a Guarantor). Witnesses or Guarantors do not need to see or read the entire claim form. They are only witnessing your signature on a page, which does not reveal any abuses or harms.

#### **HOW DO I SUBMIT?**

Once your Form is completed, by hand or electronically, you can send it by Mail, Fax, or Email. Please keep a copy of your completed form and attachments.

**Indian Day Schools Class Action Claims Administrator**  
c/o Deloitte  
PO Box 1775, Toronto ON Canada  
M5C 0A2  
**Fax:** 1- 416- 366- 1102  
**Email:** [indiandayschools@deloitte.ca](mailto:indiandayschools@deloitte.ca)

#### **Nishnawbe Aski Legal Services Corporation Support**

If you would like further assistance with your Claims Form, please contact our Staff Lawyer:

**Megan Wood- Staff Lawyer**  
Nishnawbe-Aski Legal Services Corporation  
Thunder Bay Office  
Phone: 1-807-622-1413  
Direct: 807-627-8083  
Toll Free: 1- 800- 465- 2422  
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Contact our PLECC who can assist in direction and resources

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**NALSC Community Legal Workers** serve as Commissioners and can also assist with you with the Claims Forms. Please see below for our complete list of CLW's serving your community:

**Jacob Mekanak**

**Serving Bearskin Lake, Cat Lake, New Slate Falls, Sachigo Lake, North Caribou Lake (Weagamow)**

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Email: [jmekanak@nanlegal.on.ca](mailto:jmekanak@nanlegal.on.ca)

**Don Sainnawap**

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**Lloyd Comber**

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Email: [lcomber@nanlegal.on.ca](mailto:lcomber@nanlegal.on.ca)

**Robert Ostamas**

**Serving Eabametoong, Webequie, Nibinimak, Ogoki Post, Neskantaga**

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**Evangeline Meekis**

**Serving Sandy Lake, Deer Lake, North Spirit Lake, Poplar Hill, Keewaywin, MacDowell Lake**

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**Stella Kiokee- Koostachin**

**Serving Attawapiskat, Fort Albany, Kashechewan, Peawanuk**

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**Roberta Wesley**

**Serving: Aroland, Constance Lake, Ginoogaming, Hornepayne, Long Lake #58**

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**Jackie Edwards**

**Serving: Taykwa Tagamou, Wahgoshig, Moose Cree, Moose Factory, Moosonee**

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## Additional Helpful Resources

Talking or thinking about painful past experiences can trigger intense thoughts or feelings. It helps to talk to a trusted person, friend, family member or an Elder. See below for additional available resources:

### **Argyle Community Support Program (For Indian Day Schools only)**

One-on-one support by a trauma informed Claims Assistant for help completing the Claims Form

Phone: 1-877-515-7525

Monday through Friday 8am - 9pm Eastern (Interpretation services provided upon request)

Email: [idscommunitysupport@argylepr.com](mailto:idscommunitysupport@argylepr.com)

<https://indiandayschools.com/en/support/community-support-program/>

### **Talk 4 Healing: Talk, Text, Chat**

Services in Ojibway, Oji-Cree, Cree, English, French

24/7 culturally sensitive counselling, advice, and support to Indigenous women.

Toll Free: 1-855-554-4325

[www.talk4healing.com](http://www.talk4healing.com)

### **Hope for Wellness Help Line**

24/7 Services in English, Cree, Ojibway, Inuktitut, French

Toll Free 1- 855- 242- 3310

[www.hopeforwellness.ca](http://www.hopeforwellness.ca) with Chat Feature

### **NAN Hope**

Toll Free 1-844-626-4673

Text: 1- 844- 626- 4673

[www.nanhope.ca](http://www.nanhope.ca) with Chat Feature

### **24-hour Residential School Crises Line**

For immediate emotional assistance

Toll Free: 1-866-925-4419

Access Health Support Services & more information

Toll Free: 1-888- 301- 6426

[www.healthcanada.ge.ca/irs](http://www.healthcanada.ge.ca/irs)

### **Indian Residential Schools Survivors and Family**

Toll Free: 1-800-721-0066

[www.irsss.ca](http://www.irsss.ca)

### **Native Women's Association of Canada**

In-house elders offering support, Monday to Friday 9- 11am and 1 – 3 p.m. Eastern Time

Toll Free: 1- 888- 664- 7808

[www.nwac.ca](http://www.nwac.ca)

**MMIW Crisis Line**

24/7 support to family, friends and community members impacted by the loss of a missing or murdered Indigenous woman, girl, or Two-spirit person

Toll Free: 1- 844- 413- 6649

<https://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/>

**For more information and assistants on “Indian Day School Settlement” visit our website:**

<https://nanlegal.on.ca/federal-indian-day-school-class-action/>



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