



Grade 5 – Indigenous Guided Walking Tour of the Moccasin Trails (Program includes free busing)

Dear Teachers,

Thank you for your interest in booking a FREE Community Classroom program. This is a partnership between many corporate partners, private Donors and The Oakville Community Foundation. The program is free to all Grade 5 students in Oakville's publicly funded elementary school system and includes free busing.

The respective School Board Indigenous Lead, with the assistance of the Oakville Community Foundation, will book the Indigenous guide as well as liaise with the Town of Oakville on behalf of teachers to ensure trails are open for booking. Trails may be closed in cases of extreme weather situations i.e. flooding.

The guided walking tour will take 1 ½ - 2 hours. There are two moccasin trails available for the program so please identify which of the following trails you are interested in booking.

- In North Oakville - 16 Mile Creek Moccasin Trail at Lions Valley Park inner trail
- In Southwest Oakville - Bronte Creek Moccasin Trail

Only **one guided walk per student** in Oakville will be funded by The Foundation to ensure every student gets the chance to participate.

All teachers must do the following when booking and taking part in a Community Classroom program. Please print and bring the protocol to the guided walk.

1. Use the online booking system found at www.theocf.org/booking to request your grade specific program.
2. From there, submit the booking request.
3. For booking, you will need to provide the following:
 - Teacher contact, school name, grade, and number of students.
 - Grade Code
 - Program and bus booking should be organized as soon as possible.
4. Send home the program information letter with each participating student (letter found below, please photocopy).
5. Schedule your program between September 4, 2018 and June 14, 2019.
6. Recognize the role of the Oakville Community Foundation and its sponsors when introducing the program. Suggested script as follows:

"It is my pleasure to introduce **"Name of Guide."** This Guided Walk is part of the Oakville Community Foundation's Community Classroom program which has a goal of providing an Arts, Culture and Heritage experience for all Oakville K-8 students. This Walk has been made possible by the Oakville Community Foundation and its Connecting Sponsor Toronto Pearson International Airport. And if you really enjoyed it make sure your parents



- know!”
7. You must book buses directly through Attridge Transportation at 905-333-4047.
 8. Indicate that the booking is for a Community Classroom program otherwise your school will be invoiced.
 9. Provide the following details for **bus bookings**:
 - **BUS CODE: CC5**
 - Teacher contact
 - School name and grade
 - Number of students
 10. Make the best effort to utilize the full school bus capacity and ensure that the number of classes to fill a bus is maximized.
Book buses between the hours of 9:15am – 1:30pm.
 11. Follow the cancellation protocols of Attridge Transportation. Community Classroom funding will not be provided to cover the cost of cancellation fees.
 12. Ensure that Attridge is advised of the appropriate location as there are two moccasin trails:
 13. Parking locations for both trails are available below.

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Dear Family,

As part of the 2018-2019 school year, your child has the opportunity to participate in a **FREE** educational program called Community Classroom, offered by The Oakville Community Foundation along with title-connecting sponsor Toronto Pearson International Airport.

Community Classroom provides arts, culture and heritage programs help students better understand their community. The programs are developed in partnership with Oakville's two school boards and support student learning with curriculum-based activities.

The Foundation's long term goal is to provide a local arts, culture and heritage experience to all 22,000 students in all of Oakville's publicly funded elementary schools

Your child's teacher has signed their class up for the **Grade 5 Indigenous Guided Walk of the Moccasin Trail**. Students will be bused to one of the following Oakville trails:

- 16 Mile Creek Moccasin Trail at Lions Valley Park
- Bronte Creek Moccasin Trail

During the walk, students will have the chance to learn about Indigenous culture and history from an Indigenous Guide as well as from the 13 plaques that mark the trail with stories, verses and information relating to local Indigenous heritage.

All costs associated with this experience are covered under Community Classroom.

All Community Classroom programs are provided in partnership with local arts, culture and heritage organizations. For more information on the local organizations or the program your child is attending, please visit our website at www.theocf.org/expertise/community-classroom

While visiting the website, **if you are able, please consider "paying it forward" by donating to Community Classroom** to ensure this program can be offered annually.

Thank you,

The Oakville Community Foundation