



Grade 8 – Visions of Turtle Island: Tribal Vision Dance (Program includes free busing)



Grade 8 Program Sponsor

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 8 students in Oakville's publicly funded school system and includes free busing.

Visions of Turtle Island: Tribal Vision Dance includes live singing, dancing, and video and image presentations to help explain the dances and illustrate the cultural experience of First Nations peoples in Canada. This program has links to the Grade 8 Indigenous Studies, Social Studies, Music, Drama, Dance, Health and Physical Education curricula. The performance is 50 minutes followed by a question and answer period. Performances are only available on:

- Monday, January 14, 2019 - 1:00 pm
- Tuesday, January 15, 2019 - 11:00 am
- Tuesday, January 15, 2019 - 1:00 pm
- Wednesday, January 16, 2019 - 11:00 am
- Wednesday, January 16, 2019 - 1:00 pm

Only **one session 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. Early booking is strongly advised.

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
 - Which performance you would like to attend
 - Booking should be organized as soon as possible.
4. Send home with each participating student, the program information letter. Letter found below.
5. Recognize the role of the Oakville Community Foundation and its sponsors when introducing the program. Suggested script as follows:
"This Performance - **Visions of Turtle Island: Tribal Vision Dance** 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 performance has been made possible by the Oakville Community Foundation and its Connecting Sponsor Toronto Pearson International Airport and presenting sponsor: TD Bank Group. And if you really enjoyed it make sure your parents know."

6. Book buses directly through Attridge Transportation at 905-333-4047.
7. Indicate that the booking is for a Community Classroom program otherwise your school will be invoiced.
8. Provide the following details for bus bookings
 - **BUS CODE: CC8**
 - Teacher contact
 - School name and grade
 - Number of students
 - Booking should be organized as soon as possible
9. Make the best effort to utilize the full school bus capacity and ensure that the number of classes to fill a bus is maximized.
10. Follow the cancellation protocols of Attridge Transportation. Community Classroom funding will not be provided to cover the cost of cancellation fees.

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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 and program sponsor TD Bank Group.

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 8 Visions of Turtle Island performance at the Oakville Centre for Performing Arts** where they will experience the following:

- A live 50 minute performance of *Visions of Turtle Island* plus a question and answer period
- The performance includes live singing, dancing and video presentations to illustrate the cultural experience of First Nations peoples in Canada

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