



BCTF

Presentations for Aboriginal Parents

Teachers in British Columbia have a long history of working with parents. We know that students do better when their parents are interested and involved in their learning. The British Columbia Teachers' Federation is offering three presentations developed exclusively for Aboriginal parents in response to Aboriginal parents' interest in supporting their children's learning.

***"As a parent
and a teacher I want to
say that these workshops are
one way to build and support an
ongoing relationship with my
child's school and will
have a great impact on my
child's learning and success."***

—Participant's
comment



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WHAT WE'D LIKE YOU TO KNOW

Presentations for Aboriginal parents

These two-hour presentations are free of charge and allow parents to learn strategies, gain knowledge, and share concerns. The presentations are delivered by practicing Aboriginal teachers who volunteer to share their knowledge and experience in these areas.

Presentations are available in October and November and January through May.

"As a parent of three children, my experience is that good communication between parent and teacher is critical. Traditional values in the home need to be understood and reflected in the school, when they are not, our children are confused."

—Participant's comment

Have you considered the following:

What are your desired outcomes for the presentation?

What grade levels should the presenter prepare for?

How many parents do you think will attend?

TOPICS INCLUDE

Pulling together

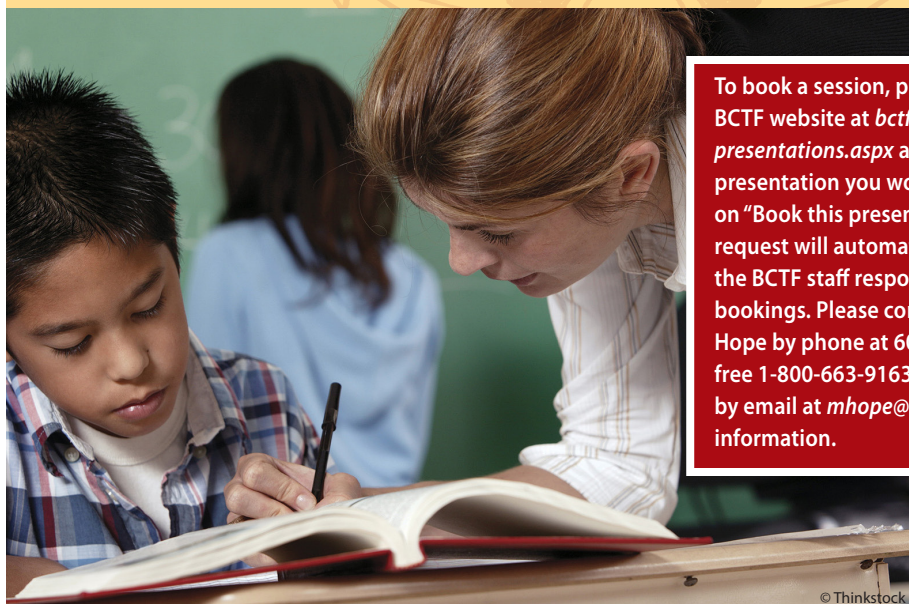
The first in a series of three presentations, this workshop is designed to pull parents together, to begin a process of learning about one another, and to address the educational needs of our Aboriginal students.

Finding your voice

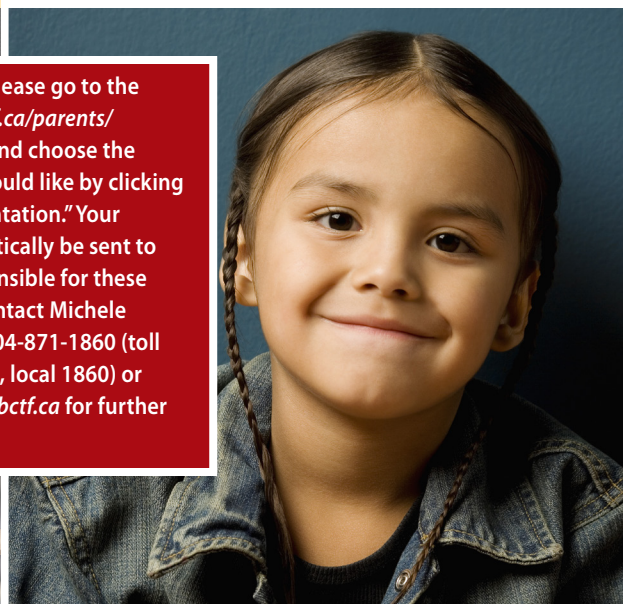
The second presentation will revisit some of the issues and concerns raised in the previous meeting. It will then create an understanding of the parents' rights as set out in the *School Act*, and provide a forum to voice experiences with the public school system.

Breaking barriers

The third, and final, presentation in this series will facilitate identifying barriers to parental involvement, provide strategies to overcome these barriers, and provide suggestions for effective parental involvement with their child's school.



To book a session, please go to the BCTF website at bctf.ca/parents/presentations.aspx and choose the presentation you would like by clicking on "Book this presentation." Your request will automatically be sent to the BCTF staff responsible for these bookings. Please contact Michele Hope by phone at 604-871-1860 (toll free 1-800-663-9163, local 1860) or by email at mhope@bctf.ca for further information.



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