

# FOREST KINDERGARTEN & BEYOND

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UNBC – TERRACE, BC



# I). ABOUT 'NA AKSA GYILAK'YOO SCHOOL

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Adult Graduation

K-12 Independent School

Language & Culture for  
School & Community

New School Project



# 2). K-12 SM'ALGYAX LANGUAGE & CULTURE SCHOOL COLLABORATIONS

First Nations Schools Association

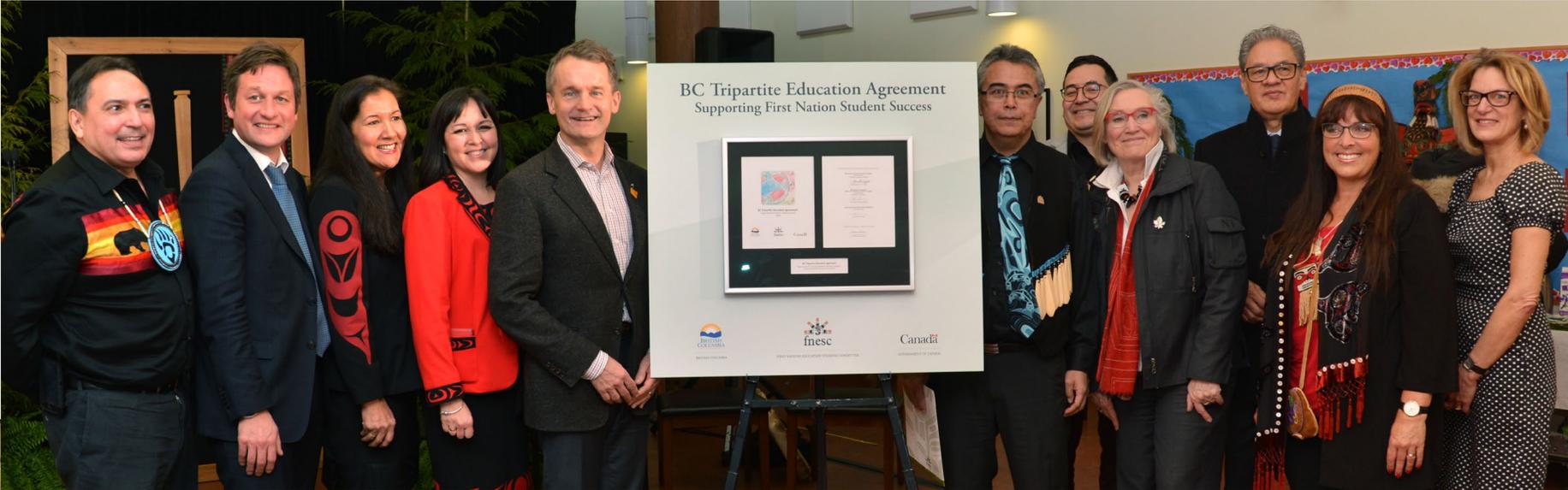
Canada

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Elders

Communities

Families



### 3). SCHOOL-WIDE CULTURE

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Respect

Inclusivity

Collaboration

Encouragement

High Standards

Celebration



## 4). SIGNIFICANT ACADEMIC SUCSESSES

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Attendance

Literacy

Language & Culture

Social Emotional



## 5). UNBC ALUMNUS

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Kim Hoekstra, B.Ed.

Carolyn Morrison, B.SW.

Kateri Clay, B.Ed.

Theresa Jones, B.Ed.

Cheyenne Edgar, B.Ed.

Jon Blumhagen, Language Certificate



# LUK'WIL SMGYIT GOO SM'ALGYAX EVENT

- Saturday, March 2, 2019
- Hosted by 'Na Aksa Gyilak'yoo School
- Kitsumkalum Community Hall
- Everyone welcome
- 12:00 Lunch Provided
- Students will dance/drum their new vests
- Partially funded by First Peoples Cultural Council

## Luk'wil Smgyit Goo Sm'algyax (Sm'algyax is of Great Importance) Speaker Series Event

Saturday, March 2, 2019 | Kitsumkalum Hall  
Noon to 4 pm | Lunch provided

Featured presentations by:

96-year-old fluent Sm'algyax Speaker **Medeeg** (John Reese) and Sm'algyax Teacher **Al'lidaaw** (Terri Burr), both of Ketchikan and Metlakatla, Alaska.



Medeeg and Al'lidaaw have taught generations of Sm'algyax learners in the US through community-based, on-line, and university credited classes offer in Ketchikan, Alaska for the past 20 years. Medeeg is the last remaining first language fluent speaker in Ketchikan, and one of only five in Alaska. He and Al'lidaaw are also the longest-standing Sm'algyax teaching collaboration in Alaska. Their presentations are sure to be very inspiring for all those involved in Sm'algyax language revitalizations--both teaching and learning--and for those interested in starting to learn the language for the first time.



Closing Performance by  
'Na Aksa Gyilak'yoo School's Student-Led Dance Group

Hosted by NAGK School  
Sponsored by First People's Cultural Council

## 5).QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

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