

Collaborative Community: Weaving Ways – Indigenous Ways of Knowing in Classrooms and Schools

**PRESENTED BY****Donna Ross & Denise Peterson****SERIES SESSIONS**

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November 13, 2018	4:30 PM – 6:30 PM
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The *Weaving Ways* curriculum support document provides pathways for educators to braid together Indigenous ways of knowing with current practices in the classroom for the benefit of all students on our collective journey towards reconciliation. If you're looking to expand and enhance your capacity to include Indigenous ways of knowing and perspectives when designing instruction for your classroom, this Collaborative Community is for you. Throughout this 5-part series, participants will dive deeper into the document; *Weaving Ways*. The *Weaving Ways* document includes 4 components: Cultures of Belonging, Instructional Design, Pedagogy and Sharing through Story. These four quadrants are interconnected and invite teachers to consider how Indigenous knowledge systems can support rich experiences in the classroom.

This learning opportunity is being offered through a grant from Alberta Education.

Presenters

Donna Ross

is a 32-year educator. She is Cree Métis from Saskatchewan and member of the One Arrow First Nation, Treaty Six territory. Donna began her teaching career as a classroom teacher with Tsuut'ina Nation and continued to support First Nations learners in subsequent positions with Siksika and Stoney Nakoda Nations, and is currently an Indigenous Designer of Learning with the Calgary Regional Consortium. Donna brings passion and a deep knowledge of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit histories, the impact of residential schools, and the embedding of Indigenous ways of knowing into Alberta curriculum and organizational culture. She is also a proud kokum!

Denise Peterson

Denise Peterson (B.Ed., M.Ed.) has been a teacher, Principal and Educational Consultant for nearly four decades. She was Principal of an Elder-directed partnership school with Siksika Nation and Golden Hills School Division which was awarded the Premier's Award of Excellence in Innovation. She is a tipi holder, the recipient of a Blackfoot name and has received an Excellence in Education Award from the Siksika Nation. In her role as Councillor for the Town of Strathmore, she was an inaugural part of instituting the Siksika/Strathmore Anti-Racism Initiative. In 2023, in recognition of her work in advocacy, she was a recipient of the Queen's Jubilee medal. Denise's Blackfoot name is mamiaitsikimi. She is dedicated to the tenets of Truth and Reconciliation and understands the essential importance of honoring Indigenous Knowledge through stories of lived experience and authentic voice.



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