

LIGHTING THE FIRE

CONFERENCE 2024

CALL FOR PRESENTERS FORM

May 8-10, 2024 | Victoria Inn Hotel and Convention Centre, Winnipeg, MB

Your Name & Contact Information:	
Workshop Title:	
Target Audience:	Presenter(s) Name:
	1.
Workshop Capacity: Rooms are defaulted at 50 participants, unless otherwise indicated.	2.
	3.
Workshop Description for Booklet:	
(Please include a summary <i>no longer</i> than 150 words)	
Equipment Request:	
Rooms are equipped with a projector, microphone and screen. Presenters are responsible for bringing their own supplies.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Podium <input type="checkbox"/> Display Table <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
Room Set-Up Request: Theatre seating standard in rooms, please indicate if you need otherwise.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rectangle Tables <input type="checkbox"/> Round Tables <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Lab Seating <input type="checkbox"/> Open Circle Concept <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
Direct Supervisor Approval:	

NOTE: Departments that invite co-presenters and Elders are responsible for providing their honorariums, travel, and accommodations.

Presenter forms must be submitted by **Friday, March 22, 2024** to:

Attn: Lighting the Fire Conference
 Email: WhitneyL@mfnerc.com
 Fax: (204) 942-2490
 Mail: Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre Inc.
 2-1100 Waverley Street
 Winnipeg, Manitoba R3T 3X9

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25 Years: Many Minds, Many Voices

This year, the Lighting the Fire Conference celebrates 25 years of First Nations control of First Nations education. This year's theme, "25 Years: Many Minds, Many Voices," acknowledges the people who have contributed to the Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre (the Resource Centre) and its work over the past quarter of a century. Since its formation, the Resource Centre has remained committed to its Vision to "Support First Nations to develop and implement a comprehensive holistic education system inclusive of First Nations languages, world views, values, beliefs and traditions with exemplary academic standards, under First Nation jurisdiction."

Established in 1998 by the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs, and governed by a Board of Directors, the Resource Centre has provided services to 51 schools from over 40 First Nations. Providing effective education services involves listening to local leaders, Elders, educators, and First Nations families to help make each school reflect the wishes of the First Nation. Fulfilling the Resource Centre's mandate included creating the Manitoba First Nations School System (MFNSS) in July 2017, a system providing education delivery for 11 First Nations in Manitoba.

Starting with a handful of First Nations education professionals, the Resource Centre (235 employees) and MFNSS (509 employees) now collectively employ over 700 people devoted to making the education experience for youth a positive and holistic journey. The Resource Centre's services support students' dreams for the future and focus on their mental, emotional, physical, and spiritual health.

With much pride, we acknowledge the accomplishments and expansion of the Resource Centre into the often-envied First Nations education institution it is now. We look forward to seeing you at LTF 2024 to celebrate the work done collectively by the Resource Centre and its partners in improving First Nations students' education and lives. Thank you to the many minds and voices who have contributed to First Nations schools and bettered the education experience for First Nations youth.

Workshops will be 75 minutes in length.

Each workshop may repeat up to 2 sessions.

Workshop Timetable		
Wednesday, May 8, 2024	Session 1	1:10 - 2:25 PM
	Session 2	2:45 - 4:00 PM
Thursday, May 9, 2024	Session 3	1:10 - 2:25 PM
	Session 4	2:45 - 4:00 PM
Friday, May 10, 2024	Session 5	9:10 - 10:25 AM
	Session 6	10:45 - 12:00 PM

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