

# Boozhoo gakina awiya!

# Anishinaabemowin Ando-gikendamowin 2023

Every year we host the one day Anishinaabemowin Ando-gikendamowin. The purpose and intent of this gathering has been to share the passion we all have for learning and teaching our languages by speaking about our experiences and ways of understanding. This year we are hosting a speaker series with speakers and knowledge keepers sharing via zoom once per month. We have already had two great presentations and are looking forward to our next sessions during the year. We invite you to join and listen to movers and shakers in language revitalization as they share through our platform. Check our website and FB Page for the links to register or watch the past sessions!

## Community Engagement: SnOasis 2023

Anishinaabemodaa team members attended SnOasis 10 where they set up a table with prizes and activities in Anishinaabemowin. They also set up a Story Walk with Makwa O'dibaajimo around the Rainy Lake Square. Families gathered to enjoy the beautiful weather and activities throughout the day.







## New Team Member: Bebaamawe'idamok Hilda Boy

Bebaaamawe'idamok recently joined the Anishinaabemodaa team in the role of Gaa-nitaa-anishinaabemod Ji-wiiji'aad Abinoojiiya'. She is a member of Seine River First Nation and belongs to the Atik clan. She is a jingle dress dancer and makes regalia. Bebaamawe'idamok has been a member of the Gigidiziiminaanig committee for many years helping the Anishinaabemodaa initiative to improve resources and practices. In her new role, she works with children and babies to share language in our partnered centers and schools, and provides advice and translations for the team.



### Anishinaabemodaaa! Language Revitalization Platform

Anishinaabemodaa! Language Revitalization Platform is now available to the public and free to register and use. There are 120

learning modules to complete with audio and visual aides. The platform is only user friendly on a computer or laptop. Compatibility with mobile devices is not yet available but is being created. Sign Up Here:



https://anishinaabemodaa.app/register

#### Gagwe-gikendamaawiziwin

The word "Gagwe-gikendamaawiziwin" means "trying to seek knowledge." This event engages students from multiple schools in the region in a variety of language-based activities utilizing their problem-solving skills and applying the knowledge gained in the classroom in new and creative ways. Students will work in teams rather than individually and each team of students will be composed of students with various talents. The activities will highlight their creative side, while developing and presenting their knowledge-based skills. Gagwe-gikendamaawiziwin 2023 will take place on April 26th at the SGEI Fort Frances campus and is being organized by the Anishinaabemowin Revitalization Program students.



#### What's New?

Check out our revamped Wiinimoshenhwi Giizhigad Language Kit! All of the resources and songs have been updated with a fresh look and new ideas for Valentine's Day, or celebrating love in general!

Episode 9 - I Wanna Say It! of the Koko Jones show is now available on our Vimeo, YouTube, and Website. Be sure to watch and learn new skills to help you learn Anishinaabemowin!



This brand new story is a retelling of an Anishinaabe legend around Waawaashkeshi's gifts to the Anishinaabeg. The book PDF can be downloaded for free from our website and the Read With Me video narrated by Ogimaawigwanebiik Nancy Jones is a great tool for learning to speak like a fluent speaker.

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