

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation / Orange Shirt Day

Gdo Wiikmigom Join Us!

Waase' aaban Kweshdaadwin M'nidookewin Sunrise Ceremony by Gerard Sagassige, Anishinaabe M'nidookewin Enaadmaaget

Tuesday, September 30, 2025 | 6:45 am Espanola High School 147 Spruce Avenue, Espanola, Ontario

We invite you to wear orange to symbolize truth, resiliency, hope and that every child matters.

To commemorate the *Debwewin miinwaa Boonendamowin Giizhigad* National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and *Ezaawmingaanh Babgiwyaan Giizhigad* Orange Shirt Day, we will preserve the memory of the little ancestors lost to the residential school system and will honour the Survivors and their families.

Sunrise Ceremony is a time when all are invited to come together to offer thoughts of thanksgiving for all of Creation, all our Relations and *Mino Bimaadziwin* Living a Good Life.

Come with wholesome thoughts and vitality for healing and wellness for all who have been affected by the trauma and adversity caused by residential schools.

In the spirit of reaching minds and touching hearts, we will gather with the values of the *Niizhwaaswi Mishomsinaanig Kinoomadwinan* Seven Grandfather Teachings - Love, Respect, Bravery, Wisdom, Humility, Honesty and Truth - for kind-hearted action and caring relationships toward resilience, equity and community in Rainbow Schools.

Please dress for the weather and bring your own lawn chair. Breakfast refreshments will be available after the ceremony.

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