



# Pathways Family Services *Foster Care News*

*"Providing children and families with safety, stability and belonging"*

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## From Pathways Policy CY-5, Point 5: Child/ Youth Cultural Practices & Activities



- The Foster Parent(s) should help the child/ youth to learn about their ethnic-cultural heritage, traditions, language, food and customs, whether or not the foster family shares the same ethnic-cultural origins as the child.
- The Foster Parent(s) must provide the child/ youth with opportunities, guidance and encouragement to maintain their cultural identity and accept the child's choice whether or not to participate in religious instruction or activities.
- The Foster Parent(s) should encourage the child/ youth to celebrate significant events in culturally appropriate ways and assist the child/ youth to keep records of significant events.
- Additional expectations specific to a child/ youth may be identified by the legal guardian/ Case Worker.

## *Pathways Annual Program Review* *May 7th to 10th*

This year Pathway's Office will be closed beginning at noon on May 7th, re-opening Monday, May 13th. Families please contact your Support Worker to discuss any anticipated issues prior to this time. Thanks!



***Note that the after hours line (780-499-4175) will be in full operation May 7th to 10th for emergency situations or matters requiring immediate attention.***

***Pathways Office will be closed Monday, May 20th for Victoria Day long weekend. Call 780-499-4175 with any emergencies. Happy planting!***



## Vehicle Registration Reminder

Your vehicle registration will expire  
May 31st if the last name the vehicle  
is registered under begins  
with **C** or **N** (exception -  
names beginning  
with **CL** expire  
in June)



## April In-Services



*Wednesday, April 24th*

*9:30 to 11:30 a.m.*

*and*

*7:00 to 9:00 p.m.*

*A presentation on Cultural  
Competency by FCSW Lesley M.*

## International Children's Festival of the Arts

*May 28th to June 2nd in St. Albert*

*(various venues)*

*Tuesday to Friday - 9:30 am to 3:00 pm*

*Saturday & Sunday - 9:30 am to 5:00 pm*

"For nearly 40 years, the Festival has exposed countless youngsters to the arts in an entertaining and educational way. But more than that, it has introduced them to a bigger more exciting world, and jump-started their curiosity, creativity and confidence. After all, someone will become the future of space travel, make the next medical breakthrough or create priceless pieces of art – why not them? Through world-class programming in music, dance and theatre, as well as literary, visual and circus arts, kids learn they are only bound by their imagination and imagination is limitless!"

Paul Pearson, Festival Coordinator

*For more information and to purchase tickets online go to:*

*[stalbert.ca/exp/childfest/festival-information/](http://stalbert.ca/exp/childfest/festival-information/)*



*Deadline for submissions to the June Newsletter is Monday, May 13th.*

*Contact Marla at 780-442-0113 or email*

*[marla.schole@pathwaysfamilyservices.com](mailto:marla.schole@pathwaysfamilyservices.com)*

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## For Your Information:

Due to Barbara's leave, the following  
will be happy to assist you:



Scott - training & licensing - 780-442-0018

Michelle - recruitment - 780-442-0114

# Indigenous Cultural Opportunities

## Family Circle Night

April 25th - Hosted by Bent Arrow Traditional Healing Society

Parkdale School - 11648 - 85 Street, Edmonton

Time: 5:30 to 7:30 pm

## Bent Arrow Traditional Healing Society Annual Round Dance

Saturday, April 27th

Pipe Ceremony at noon - Parkdale Gymnasium - 11648 - 85 Street

Feast at 1:00 pm - Parkdale Gymnasium - 11648 - 85 Street

Round Dance from 5:00 to 9:00 pm - Commonwealth Recreation

Centre Gymnasium - 11000 Stadium Road

Participants are encouraged to bring their own chairs.

For more information, call 780-481-3451



## Bent Arrow Traditional Healing Society Cultural Camp

*Pathways Families - register for activities on one of these two dates:*

May 3rd - Day 2 (Partners):

- Enjoy a variety of cultural teachings as well as keynote speakers and much more.  
Time: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Pipe Ceremony at 8:30.
- Sweat - Time: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm - 30 participants maximum.
- Register for events separately.

May 5th - Day 4 (Pipe Feast & Give Away):

- Enjoy the Mini Round Dance, Pipe & Feast, and Give Away. Time: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

*Location for both dates: Parkdale School - 11648 - 85 Street, Edmonton.*

*Events are free. Go to: [practiseasceremony.com](http://practiseasceremony.com) to register*

## Wahkhotowin Night

May 16th at Kate Chegwin School - 3119 - 48 Street, Edmonton

Time: 5:30 to 7:00 pm






Join in with other families to celebrate Indigenous culture, learn new skills, share gifts and strengthen the community.



# May 2019



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12	13	14	15	16 Wahkhotowin Night 	17	18
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26	27	28	29 In-Services 	30	31	Child/Youth Health & Wellness Forms Due for May