

Why choose KiHS?

CHOICE: Academic, Applied, and Locally Developed courses, more than 80 different courses

LEARN AT HOME: Obtain your Ontario Secondary School Diploma without leaving your community

SUPPORT: Learn with the support of an Ontario College of Teachers (OCT) trained teacher on site, and with your family and community behind you

SKILLS: Gain valuable technology skills for the changing world

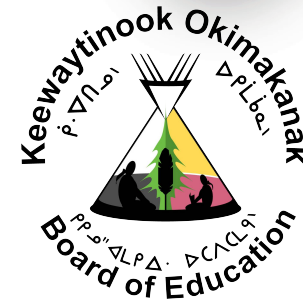


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**WEAVING EDUCATION
FROM
TRADITION AND TECHNOLOGY**

WHAT IS KIHS?

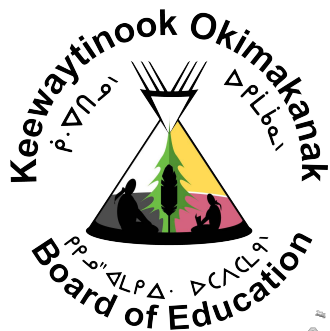
Keewaytinook Internet High School is a full service high school that was created for one purpose: to give a choice to students who want to earn their high school diploma without having to leave their community. KiHS has classrooms in a dozen communities in northern Ontario. Each classroom has an OCT trained high school teacher who works with students on their courses. Courses are available online in a very flexible format that can meet individual student needs very well. KiHS is inspected by the Ministry of Education in Ontario.

HISTORY

KiHS was created in 2000 at the request of the Chiefs of Keewaytinook Okimakanak, who found that students who left their communities to attend school down south were facing many challenges and barriers to success. KiHS was among the first schools to make use of new internet technology to deliver programming. KiHS began as a grade 9 program and grew into a full high school with a wide range of courses and services.

TODAY

KiHS offers over 80 different courses, all developed specifically for our students. Other schools may offer programs in the north, but not all their courses are written with our northern First Nations students in mind. KiHS also offers all three streams of courses: Academic, Applied, and Locally Developed.



KiHS Partner Communities



CHOICE

Whether you choose KiHS or another school, be sure you ask: "How many university preparation courses and college preparation courses do you offer in grades 11 and 12? Do you offer academic courses in grades 9 and 10?" In Ontario high schools, there is a choice of pathways for students depending on whether they want to apply to college or university, or if they intend to enter the workforce right after graduating. This choice is not always available to Indigenous students leaving their communities in the north to attend school. At KiHS, we do offer this choice.

LEARN AT HOME

KiHS has classrooms in over a dozen communities: Bearskin Lake, Deer Lake, Fort Severn, Fort William, Keewaywin, Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug, Mattagami, McDowell Lake, Mishkeegogamang, Nibinamik, North Spirit Lake, Poplar Hill, Sachigo Lake, Weagamow Lake (North Caribou Lake), and Webequie. If your community is not on the list, ask your local education authority to contact us if they are interested in starting a KiHS program. We believe every student should have a choice to remain in their community and still earn their Ontario Secondary School Diploma. KiHS students are better able to participate in traditional land-based activities than if they were attending school in an urban setting.

SUPPORT

What makes KiHS successful is our team of OCT certified teachers who create our excellent courses. These teachers live and work in our partner communities. They are there to support you, the student, and to meet face to face with parents and the community. If you ever have questions, please visit the local classroom. This connection with the First Nation helps our teachers be better able to make courses that our students can relate to and be successful in, making KiHS unlike any other high school.

SKILLS

At KiHS, students learn a wide range of technology skills. Our graduates routinely report being better prepared for the technology demands of post-secondary education and the workplace than their peers who did not attend KiHS. In a changing world, being comfortable with dozens of apps and software programs will serve our students well.

PARTNERSHIPS AND SUPPORTERS

Keewaytinook Internet High School administration and staff are always excited to meet new people and develop new partnerships and acquaintances. Without these new relationships, we would never grow!



300+ GRADUATES SINCE 2000