

AGENDA



Join us

Wednesday, September 30, 2026
Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

Debwewin miinwa Minadaapnagewin

- 8:30 am

Sacred Fire
Jason Nakogee, Truth and Reconciliation Coordinator

Opening Drum Song
Paskwa Lightning, Indigenous Student and Community Cultural Engagement Coordinator
- 9:00 am

Opening Remarks
Dominic Beaudry, Associate Vice-President of Academic and Indigenous Programs, Representative of Atikameksheng Anishnawbek First Nation

Welcoming Remarks
Dr. Lynn Wells, President and Vice-Chancellor of Laurentian University
- 9:30 am

TRC Report Card Updates
Nimkii Benishii/Natalie Lacasse, Manager of Indigenous Strategic Community Engagement

Moment of Reflection
Reflect on Survivors, families, communities, and those who continue the work of Truth and Reconciliation
- 9:45 am

Break (Coffee and refreshments)
- 10:00 am

Key Note Speaker
Dr. Jenny Kay Dupuis, best-selling author, educator, artist, and member of Nipissing First Nation whose work advances Indigenous education, truth, and reconciliation.
- 11:30 am

Q&A



- 11:45 am

Easing Reconciliation Fatigue
Dr. Candace Brunette-Debassige, Co-Director, Maamwizing Indigenous Research Institute (MIRI)
- 12:00 pm

LUNCH
- 1:00 pm

Special Recognition Ceremony
Dominic Beaudry, Associate Vice-President of Academic and Indigenous Programs
- 1:15 pm

Honouring Anishinaabe Education Leader
Grace Fox
Short Documentary
- 1:30 pm

Star Blanket Wrapping
Drumming while this is occurring
- 1:45 pm

Closing Remarks
Mary Laur, Director, Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre and Alain Simard, Interim Provost and Vice-President Academic
- 2:00 pm

Closing Drum Song: *Hailey Sutherland*
Aministrative Assistant, Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre

