

DEHR Report – March 2022

1. **Acknowledgments:**

- **Kapawe'no First Nation - 169 anomalies found.** Thoughts are with them as they explore further the location of remains and cause of student deaths at the Grouard Mission near High Prairie.
- **UAUkraine - Russia conflict** Be aware of traumatic experiences - students/staff with relatives, or direct experiences with conflict and war (eg Serbo-Croatian conflicts) or Russian immigrants
 - Students - [Head, Heart, Conscience](#) strategy to process, discuss, and understand current events in real-time. Or [When Bad things are Happening](#) is a general guide to help ensure you are being thoughtful about varying perspectives.
 - Staff - excellent learning resources being put out by the Canadian Institute for Ukrainian Studies - daily “Did You Know?” video sessions, about 10 minutes each to provide some context and analysis of what is happening.
 - <https://www.ualberta.ca/canadian-institute-of-ukrainian-studies/publications-and-e-resources/did-you-know-cius-answers.html>

2. **Recent Work**

- Conferences - MYC January 29- Keynote - Alex Shevrin Venet, author of Equity-Centered Trauma-Informed Education.
 - Unconditional Positive Regard - Political & Pedagogical strategy- challenges conditioning and structures in our system, and it is a humanizing force in a dehumanizing system
 - Way of reconciling saviour mentality, deficit mentality to focus on community cultural wealth
- U of A - Black History month - put out a series of podcasts, profiles and teaching materials that you can access.
- WIL - Shauna Boyce, working on another one in the local with an equity focus

3. **Significant Dates and Events**

March 7-11 MacEwan Pride Week

open to the public, information about the activities found at macewan.ca/prideweek

March 8 - International Women's Day

Celebrate the progress made in the rights of women

March 21 -International Day for the Elimination of Racial DiscriminationEnd racism and foster inclusion, respect and equality for all people.

March 21 - 28 - Week of Solidarity with the Peoples Struggling against Racism and Racial Discrimination

4. **DEHR ATA**

- DEHR Virtual Conference - April 8, 9 - Friday night will be a pre-recorded Keynote so that you can watch it at a convenient time that week.
 - Bakau Consulting - “Anti-oppression” and “Anti-blackness”
 - Guest performance Titlope Sonuga - Edm, Poet Laureate

- ATGSA - inaugural meeting on March 8th
 - Discussed that this will be good to support as an “arms-length” group that will be accessible to all AB teachers
- Looking at forming the Status of Racialized Teachers Working Sub Group - if you have any suggestions, or are interested in participating please see the information notice and let me know!
- WIL sessions are upcoming!

5. **DEHR in schools:**

- Prescott has been working on EDI, TRC and foundational knowledge - happy to share ideas, help with planning, or work with interested parties from school groups, so please reach out if you have anything that you need help with
- Prescott working on how to better provide equity in our school - Dehr committee is working on an equity survey
- If your school has any work that they would like to share please contact me - there is an opportunity to celebrate & showcase this work both in the local and provincially as well!

Respectfully submitted,

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