National Day for Truth and Reconciliation: 2021 Calendar

Until Sept 30	Get your orange t-shirt ready	Consider buying an orange shirt from a place that uses the proceeds to support residential school Survivors. Some places we know of: Al Anderson's Source for Sports, Tourism Saskatoon Visitor Centre, Pebl Goods, and 22Fresh (proceeds from this location also support the Saskatchewan First Nations Veterans Association).
Sept	Help raise awareness by hanging a poster	Request permission to hang a poster at your place of work, or other public facilities you frequent, to increase awareness about National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day. 2021 POSTER HERE
Sept	Watch for orange shirt decals on buses & City vehicles	Saskatoon Transit and other City vehicles will display orange t-shirt stencils in their windows to increase awareness.
Sept	Watch for orange hand decals on vehicles and business doors	Community volunteers have created and distributed orange hand decals to residents and businesses across the city. The orange hands symbolize the hands of the children that attended residential schools and how they are in our hearts and minds this month as we prepare to mark this country's first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.
Sept	Watch for statements of support from members of City Council	City Administration asked City Councillors why they wear an orange shirt on Sept. 30th. Their responses are being posted to City social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) during the month of Sept.
Sept	Demonstrate your support by displaying an orange shirt	Demonstrate your support for reconciliation and help raise awareness by hanging an orange t-shirt outside your home or a t-shirt stencil (print and display) in your window.

Sept	Complete the Pledge, "Making a Personal Commitment to Truth & Reconciliation" The City of Saskatoon co-chairs Reconciliation Saskatoon	Reconciliation Saskatoon has created this pledge to help you reflect on your journey of truth and reconciliation, and to create a plan for the year ahead. Decide what you're going to do to foster change in your community. LINK HERE
Sept	Read and follow the Reconciliation Saskatoon guide: The Pathway for Moving Forward The City of Saskatoon co-chairs Reconciliation Saskatoon	The Pathway for Moving Forward introduces you to a Vision for Reconciliation and suggests calls to action to realize that vision. When we have a shared understanding of our history, individuals, families, communities and nations will be strong and healing. LINK HERE
Sept	Take the Reconciliation Walking Tour An initiative of Reconciliation Saskatoon (co-chaired by the City) and the Library	Visit places around Saskatoon that speak to the process of reconciliation including public art installations, sites of historical significance, renaming initiatives, and unique Indigenous and non-Indigenous partnerships. Access the digital map and information booklet here. Or visit your local Saskatoon Public Library to pick up a paper booklet.
Sept	Choose materials from the Saskatoon Library's Read for Reconciliation Reading List	You can learn more about the unique heritage, diverse cultures, and outstanding contributions of Indigenous people by choosing materials from this reading list.
Sept	Registration open for Annual Wicihitowin Indigenous Engagement Conference (Oct 5-7, 2021) VIRTUAL EVENT Registration closes Sept 27	The City has been a proud partner of this event since its inception. The aim of the Wîcihitowin Conference is to inspire respectful engagement and meaningful inclusion of Indigenous peoples within the community, and the creation of the resources and tools needed to form/maintain culturally respectful organizations. Saskatchewan Indigenous and non-Indigenous organizations work together, using this platform, to share the voices and teachings of Survivors, Elders, and Knowledge Keepers. Registration is available free of charge at wicihitowin.ca.

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Sept	Visit BeAConnectR.org to engage in reconciliation An initiative of Reconciliation Saskatoon (co-chaired by City of Saskatoon)	This website contains tons of great resources to help you pursue reconciliation. It makes suggestions for books to read, movies to watch, and events to attend; ways to learn from Survivors and Indigenous Elders; how to facilitate conversations about residential school impacts; and ideas for publicly demonstrating your commitment to reconciliation and affecting positive change in our community.
Sept 19, starting at 9:45am	Megan's Walk A Gathering & Walk to Remember Megan Gallagher and mark Saskatchewan Missing Persons Week (Sept 19-25)	On the one-year anniversary of Megan's disappearance, friends and family will gather and walk to remember her and to raise awareness about Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and Two Spirit Persons (MMIWG2S). The gathering & walk will begin at Joe Gallagher Field, 1535 Ave P S.
Sept 20, starting at 12pm	Live Book Launch – "Beyond the Orange Shirt Story" by Phyllis Webstad (founder of Orange Shirt Day) Free Virtual Event	"Beyond the Orange Shirt Story" is a unique collection of truths from six generations of Webstad's family. It gives readers an up-close look at what life was like before, during, and after their residential school experiences. Recommended for ages 12+. Classrooms, libraries, and individuals are all welcome to join live. Hosted by Medicine Wheel Education. JOIN LIVESTREAM HERE
Sept 21, 3:30pm to 4:30pm	Reconciliation Saskatoon Book Club Via Zoom	The Reconciliation Saskatoon Book Club is reading Legacy: Trauma, Storytelling and Indigenous Healing by Suzanne Methot. This is an informal group, and all are welcome. The City co-chairs Reconciliation Saskatoon. Email beaconnectr@gmail.com to get the meeting link.

Sept 22, 1pm to 4pm	PATHFINDER: Finding Your Way to Economic Reconciliation Online Event by Reconciliation Saskatoon (the City co-chairs this organization)	Gain a better understanding of Economic Reconciliation: why it is critical to get engaged in truth and reconciliation, why it's good for business, and what is the path to start or deepen commitment to the TRC Calls to Action. Listen to speakers, participate in the Q&A, and join breakout rooms focused on specific areas of Economic Reconciliation to learn more about how you can create a difference. FREE thanks to the Saskatoon Community Foundation, Community Initiatives Fund and SaskCulture. REGISTER HERE
Sept 22, 6:30pm to 9pm	Movie Screening & Panel Discussion: "Indian Horse" VENUE: Broadway Theatre An initiative of Wanuskewin and the Broadway Theatre	An adaption from the late Richard Wagamese novel. Following the movie, join voices from Str8 Up, Wanuskewin Artist-in-Residence, and Prairie Harm Reduction in a panel discussion on the lasting effects of residential schools, and how organizations and community members are healing. This movie is rated 14A and is intended for mature audiences.
Sept 25, 10am to 5pm	Community Gathering & Indigenous Artisan Market at Wanuskewin Heritage Park	A day of exploring and connecting to the Opimihaw Valley and each other. Regular admission applies. Guided programs and Birch Bark Basket Making Workshop every hour. The Indigenous Artisan Market showcases the work of local Indigenous Artists & Entrepreneurs. MORE INFO HERE
Sept 27 – Oct 1	Saskatoon.ca, COS Facebook, COS Twitter, Transit Twitter	Watch for the City website and social media accounts to "go orange" in honour of those impacted by residential schools.

Sept 27 - Oct 1	Participate in <u>Truth and</u> Reconciliation Week activities Organized by the <u>National Centre</u>	An online event for anyone with an emphasis on students in grades 5-12. Topics: Treaties, Land Claims and Unceded Territories; Land & Culture; Truth & Reconciliation; Reconciliation & Me (APTN programming) &
	for Truth and Reconciliation	Orange Shirt Day Tribute; Knowledge Transfer (Elder & Youth Dialogues). Content will include: workshops, video, and activities — all supported by
		artistic and cultural performances by First Nations, Métis, and Inuit artists. Teachers and others can register at no charge on eventbrite.
Sept 28, 1pm to 2:30pm	Wanuskewin and Saskatoon Public Library present "Stolen Words" – Story time	"Stolen Words" by Melanie Florence follows the story of a little girl who helps her grandfather regain his language which was taken away as a child. Suitable for Pre-K to Grade 4 but all ages and public welcome.
	Via Zoom	Free event. REGISTER HERE
Sept 29	Schools recognize Orange Shirt Day	Schools are inviting students, teachers, and staff to wear an orange shirt to school on Sept. 29th to demonstrate support for reconciliation and to acknowledge the impact of the residential school system.
Sept 29, 10:45am to 11:45am	Saskatchewan Diversity and Inclusion Network Presents "Every Child Matters" Virtual Honouring	This event will include: remarks from Elder Lorna Standingready and Chief Cadmus Delorme; video clips from cyclist, B'yauling Toni's tours of Saskatchewan residential schools; and traditional First Nation and Métis performances. REGISTER HERE
Sept 29, starting at 11am	Let's Talk: Reconciliation Conversations (via Zoom) The City of Saskatoon co-chairs Reconciliation Saskatoon.	Join us for a conversation with Indigenous educator Annie Battiste and Traditional Knowledge Keepers. Bring your questions, challenges, and stories. Join others on their journeys. Special thanks to Nutrien, Saskatoon Community Foundation, Community Initiatives Fund, and SaskCulture. REGISTER HERE

Sept 29, 1pm to 2:30pm	Cultural Conversations: Honouring the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation with guest, Joseph Naytowhow	Joseph Naytowhow is a gifted Plains/Woodland Nehiyaw (Cree) singer/songwriter, storyteller, and voice, stage and film actor from the Sturgeon Lake First Nation in Saskatchewan. He is also a member of the Office of the Treaty Commissioner Speakers Bureau and the International Indigenous Speakers Bureau. This event is made possible with the support of Population Health SHA and the Saskatchewan Cancer Agency. Click here to register
Sept 29, starting at 6:30pm	Chokecherry Studios SASKWATONMINISKAK Speaker Series presents: Judy Pelly via Zoom	Judy Pelly is a respected Knowledge Keeper and Cultural Advisor and provides guidance and support to individuals, organizations, institutions, and agencies. Judy is Anishinaabe-Saulteaux and was born and raised in the Cote First Nation. She is a survivor of the St. Phillips Residential School. Event is free of charge and open to all. REGISTER HERE
Sept 29-30, after dark	City Lights Up Orange	City Hall, the Prairie Wind art installation outside the Remai, and SaskTel Centre will all "light up orange" after dark. Another way to commemorate this momentous occasion.
Sept 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation / Orange Shirt Day	The federal government created a federal statutory holiday on this day. The City of Saskatoon has recognized it with an official Proclamation – approved by the City Clerk in accordance with <i>The Flag and Proclamation Policy</i> . As well, flags on City-owned facilities will be lowered to half-mast to honour Survivors, those that never made it home, and the families impacted by residential schools. Demonstrate your support for reconciliation and help raise awareness by wearing an orange shirt and seizing any opportunity to aid understanding. Devote some time to reflect on the legacy of the Indian Residential School System and/or to participate in activities or virtual events that promote healing and awareness.

Sept 30	Western Development Museum FREE admission	The Western Development will offer free admission on Sept. 30th to mark the day. Reconciliation films will be shown in the Discovery Room.
Sept 30, 9am to 2pm	Saskatoon Indian and Métis Friendship Centre Every Child Matters Commemoration Event 168 Wall Street	An event for families to mark the day. Day to include pancake breakfast, story tellers, face painting, Warren The Balloon Guy, free hair cuts, traditional drummers and singers. The event will include with a Walk for Remembrance. Donations will be accepted and will go to the United Way. More information: 306-244-0174
Sept 30, 10am to 5pm	Wanuskewin Heritage Park	Wanuskewin welcomes you to be present and learn about Indigenous history, the lasting Residential School Legacy, and how we move forward in harmony. Regular admission applies.
Sept 30, 1pm to 3pm	FREE SWIM at Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre	The City of Saskatoon has organized a free swim in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action #66 and 89 – to make community programming available to youth and reduce barriers to sports participation, and to promote physical activity as a fundamental element of health and well-being. Everyone is welcome. LINK HERE
Sept 30, 1pm to 3pm	Dakota Dunes Resort: A Day of Truth & Reconciliation	Tipi Village & Fire; Memorial Song by Wahpeton Singers for the children found and still to be found at residential school sites; Prayer Song for Survivors; dance performances by Raina Buffalo-Pechawis, Women's Fancy Shawl Dance, Wyatt Brown Men's Traditional Dance.
Sept 30, 6pm to 7pm	National Centre for Truth & Reconciliation National Broadcast APTN, CBC/Radio-Canada, CBC Gem, ICI TÉLÉ, ICI TOU.TV	Produced by the National Centre for Truth & Reconciliation in collaboration with Insight Productions and Canadian Heritage. A special broadcast honouring the stories and perspectives of Indigenous Peoples, with musical tributes and ceremonies in Indigenous communities. LEARN MORE

Sept 30, starting at 6:30pm	Chokecherry Studios P^Pイム・or kiskisiwin (memory or remembrance in Cree) Smudge Walk Kiwanis Memorial Park	Chokecherry youth are asking the community to join them for a candlelit Smudge Walk to remember all Indigenous children, families, and communities affected by residential schools. INFO HERE
Sept 30, starting at 7pm	Every Child Matters Concert Organized by the Saskatoon Tribal Council & SaskTel Centre	To promote community healing by honouring residential school survivors, the children that never returned, and the families of those affected. Tickets are available through the SaskTel Centre website . Proceeds to support those affected by residential schools.
Sept 30, starting at 7:30pm	Rock for Reconciliation Concert VENUE: Capitol Music Club (244 1st Ave N)	A fundraiser to help Saskatchewan communities honour the names of residential school attendees with plaques or monuments. Hosted by Traditional Knowledge Keeper and Storyteller, Lyndon J Linklater. Sponsored by ROCK 102, hosted by the Capitol Music Hall, and offered in partnership with Whitecap Dakota First Nation. Tickets are available at the Capitol or online at showpass.com .