



## Northlands College Procedures Cultural Centre Usage/Smudging Requests

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The vision of the Cultural Centres is that they become a vibrant hub for students, faculty, staff and community organizations. The objectives of the cultural centre usage are as follows:

- To provide comfortable, culturally safe, welcoming environments for students to relax and mingle. Individuals from all cultural backgrounds are welcome. It is an ideal place to visit with Elders, Knowledge Keepers or Cultural Advisors, the Indigenous Initiatives team, staff and fellow students.
- To study or relax between or after classes.
- To perform traditional ceremonies such as smudging.
- Promote community volunteerism and use of the centres as a venue for non-profit groups and organizations to meet and conduct activities;
- Promote lifelong learning by using Cultural Centres as a venue for educational activities, Indigenous traditional ceremonies, e.g. Sharing circles, smudging, pipe ceremonies, conferences, seminars, presentations, community forums, and town meetings;
- Foster active participation in community activities and community cultural development;
- Foster a sense of community belonging and identity through cultural activities, community events, festivals and celebrations;
- Strengthen community groups and networks and build community capacity and community resilience through active participation and involvement;
- Provide students with skills and knowledge to understand and appreciate the Indigenous culture.

### Culture Centre Booking:

In order to book the space, please email [indigenous.initiatives@northlandscollege.sk.ca](mailto:indigenous.initiatives@northlandscollege.sk.ca) with the date, time and purpose. If you require the assistance of the Director of Indigenous initiatives, please call 306-420-0508.

### Smudging Booking:

The Elie Fleury Cultural Centre has a designated space for smudging, the Louise Pederson Cultural Centre does not have a designated space but smudging can take place within appropriate facilities and grounds, as per Policy # 219. If you require assistance of the Director of Indigenous Initiatives, please call 306-420-0508.

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