



St. Oscar Romero Braided Journeys

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Braided Journeys Student Support Centres are committed to assisting student success by cultivating a caring, welcoming, and positive place where Indigenous students see themselves, their contributions, and their culture represented, respected, and celebrated. Each centre offers support, encouragement, and guidance throughout a student's educational journey.

Braided Journeys Coaches focus on providing:

Academic Supports

- Tutoring and exam preparation
- In class curriculum support and cultural programming

Career Development

- Career exploration and preparation
- Post-Secondary exploration and funding supports
- Career mentorship

Cultural Supports

- Access to knowledge keepers
- Community building
- Cultural ways of knowing and land based learning

Leadership Development

- Social Justice initiatives
- Community volunteering

Transition Supports

- Academic and social preparation for new school environment
- Bridging to Junior High and High School

Important Dates:

Feb 1st: Second Semester Starts
Feb 9th: Ever Active Fieldtrip
Feb 10th: Treaty Acknowledgment Lunch & Learn
Feb 14th: Scholarships & Bursaries Lunch & Learn
Feb 16th: Ever Active Session
Feb 16th: Open House
Feb 20th: NO SCHOOL - Family day
Feb 28th: Tik Tok Mental Health Lunch & Learn
Mar 2/3rd: NO SCHOOL - Teacher's Convention
Mar 8th: Skirts of Fire Fieldtrip
Mar 9th: Ever Active Fieldtrip
Mar 10th: NO SCHOOL - PD Day
Mar 15th: Braided Journeys Virtual Family Night
Mar 18th: Concordia Open House
Mar 27th - 31st: NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
Apr 7/10th: NO SCHOOL - Easter
Apr 13th: Ever Active Session
May 4th: WEM + More Job Fair
May 5th: MMIW Awareness Campaign
May 11th: Moose Hide Campaign
May 18th: Braided Journeys Graduation
Jun 20th: Indigenous Peoples Day Fieldtrip
Jun 21st: Indigenous Peoples Day
Jun 27th: Romero Graduation Commencements
Jun 28th: Romero Graduation Banquet

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Braided Journeys Parent Circle



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Weekly Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Raven Time 8:23 – 8:53					
Period 1 & 2 8:55 – 11:37	Meet & Mentors	Meet & Mentors	Meet & Mentors	Dog Therapy (11:00-12:00)	Meet & Mentors
Lunch 11:37-12:17		Smudge			
Period 3 & 4 12:19 – 3:01	Meet & Mentors	Meet & Mentors	Meet & Mentors	Leadership Club (Volunteering & Blanket Exercise Training)	Meet & Mentors
After-School 3:01 – 4:00	Mindful Mondays (Health, Fitness & Art)	Tutoring			

Meet & Mentors

Braided Journeys Program

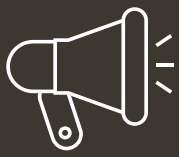
Indigenous students who are in the Braided Journey's program will attend one-on-one meetings with the Braided Journey's Grad Coach (Me!) and will receive the following support ...



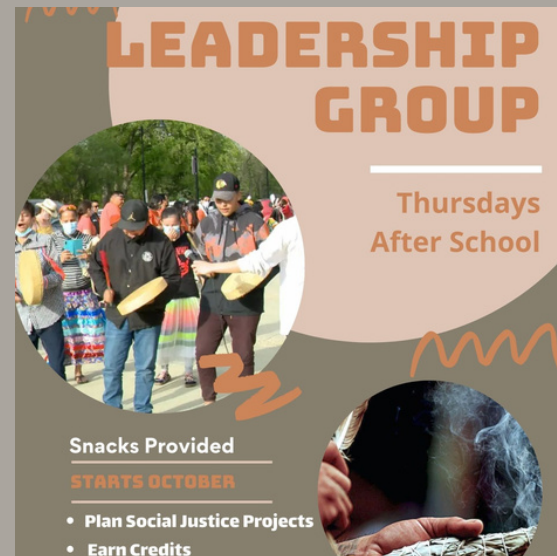
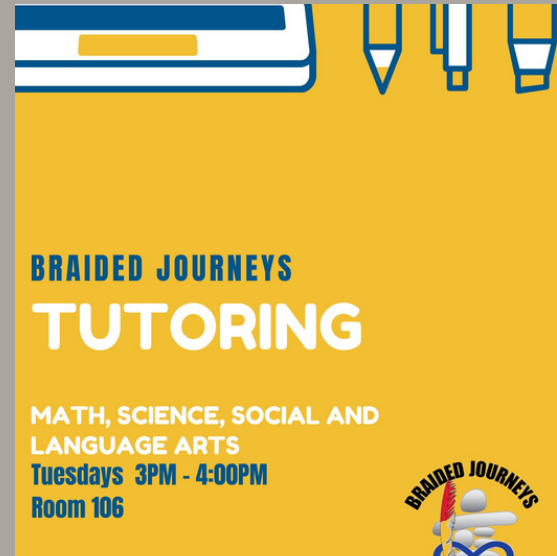
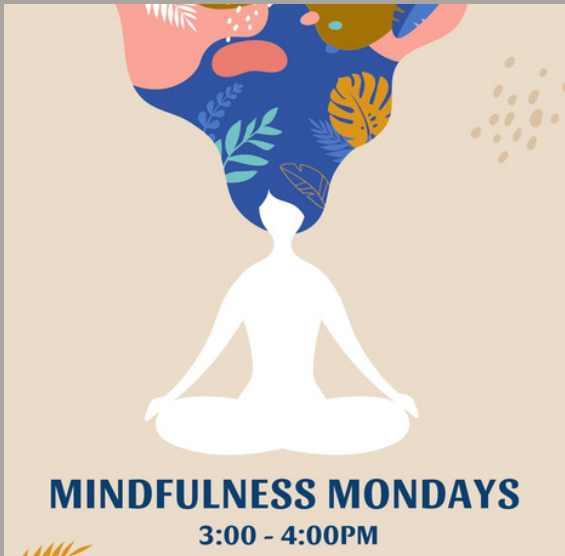
Support You Child Will Receive:

- Academic & Attendance Check-In
- Career Counselling
- Earn Some High School Credits
- Make Resumes and Cover Letters
- Provide Study Skill Strategies
- Go Over High School Credits and Plan
- Explore Careers and Funding Options
- Participate in Learning Activities

[Read more ...](#)



Braided Journeys Programming



Braided Journeys Family Nights



Once again we will be having our awesome Braided Journey's family nights! For this school year some will be in-person and virtual. More information will be provided closer to the date of the event.

- **January 18:** Virtual on TEAMS 6pm
Topic: Community Resources
- **March 15:** Virtual on TEAMS 6pm
Topic: Digital Safety Video Gaming Awareness

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Helpful Information for Parents



Do you have access to PowerSchool?

If you have access to a device and Internet, I highly recommend creating a parent account in PowerSchool so you can check your child's **attendance**, **grades**, and **assignments**. If you do not have one, you will need to request for an ID and password from the main office at Romero. Please call (780) 428-2705 to get started someone will be happy to assist you! :)



Identifying as First Nation, Metis, or Inuit & Why it is Important

Please help your child know how to identify as a FNMI person. If you are not sure yourself, that's okay! It can be very confusing navigating all the definitions out there. Some people define themselves by what their family states, some by community, or if they have membership through a Metis or Inuit organisation or First Nation Band. As Grad Coach, I would like to help your child find career and post-secondary opportunities. Some opportunities are FNMI specific, which means that your child will need to know how to identify.



Braided Journeys Parent Circle Facebook Group

If you have a Facebook account there is a great Facebook page for you to join. It is called **The Braided Journeys Parent Circle!** It is group page where you can connect with others and receive important information about any upcoming Indigenous programs and events! If you would like to take part in the Braided Journeys Parent Circle please send us a request to join on Facebook. We look forward to connecting with you and providing you with more support! Also, don't forget to join the other social media accounts which are specifically for Oscar Romero students!



Does Your Child Have Access to MyPass?

If your child is in grades 10 to 12, you want to make sure they have created a MyPass account. If not, your child can come and see me to set one up. MyPass is an important account to create because it gives students access to the following:

- High School Transcripts
- Credit Checklist
- Alberta Student Number (ABSN)
- Diploma Marks (Detailed Report)
- Enrollment Letter (Needed by some financial services)
- Order Official High School Transcripts

Tips:

- Check your parent PowerSchool on a regular basis to see your child's academics and attendance.
- Communicate with your child's teachers (very important) if your child is not doing well academically.
- Stay on top of your emails so you get the most up to date information from Braided Journeys!
- Finally, remind your child to take part in Braided Journey's programs! They are amazing and will help your child be more prepared and successful in school and in their personal life! So many benefits!!!!