

## Launching “Read Learn Laugh”

### A Program Resource Guide to Support Indigenous Family Literacy



Treaty 6 Territory, January 11, 2021 - Blue Quills Literacy Centre, University nuxelhot'ine thaa?ehots'j nistameyimâkanak Blue Quills (UnBQ) in partnership with St. Paul Community Adult Learning Program—Portage College is launching a family literacy program resource guide to support Indigenous family literacy. We are delighted to work together in recognition that Indigenous families need support to develop, model and maintain literacy skills.

The Read Learn Laugh Program resource guide focuses on developing and promoting literacy skills for adults and their young children. This program resource guide recommends utilizing storybooks, which contain both the nêhiyawêwin and English languages. The goal of the resource

guide is to support a renewed effort by First Nations to reclaim Indigenous languages, while valuing English language skills.

In the Read Learn Laugh Program Resources Guide, you will find a different book recommendation per week, to be delivered over six-weeks. The program resource guide provides organized daily and weekly schedules along with suggested snacks, 3-support activity centers, and a list of required materials with song lyrics to start and end your literacy time.

“Read Learn Laugh” is an excellent program to support literacy skills. Students in the Portage College Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC) Diploma Program will be making this innovative program available for learners as part of the Language Growth ELCC 222 course in the Spring of 2021.” Said Patricia Flatla, Program Coordinator at Portage College.

We invite you to download the program resource guide at the UnBQ website [www.bluequills.ca](http://www.bluequills.ca)

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