## **Our Dreams Matter too!**

Walk for Culturally based equity for First Nations children



#### We invite YOU to walk with us

### Wednesday June 11, 2014

All participants will meet at Kanhiote Library/Nation Building at 9:00 am (Last year the walk took about 2 1/2 hours)

See schedule on reverse

Bring your shakers, drums, noisemakers

We will remain together at the Post Office after we mail the letters to do a song or two in honour of our event!

This event supports giving First Nations children the same chance to grow up safely at home, get a good education, be healthy, and be proud of their cultures.

Our Dreams Matter Too is a walk and letter writing event supporting culturally based equity for First Nations children. There were over 5000 Our Dreams Matter Too walkers across Canada last year!

\*Form letters will be available on the website, at local stores & MBQ buildings.

Please bring your signed letter with you to place in our mailbox. Some letters will be available to sign on the day of the event.

We encourage everyone to wear purple for this event!

Water and Fruit will be available to all participants

Donations will be accepted during the event or can be made to First Nations Child and Family Caring Society of Canada to support Shannen's Dream, Jordan's Principle and the Lam a witness campaign.

This event is brought to you through the co-ordination of MBQ services/programs concerned with children and youth.

For any questions please contact Tracey at 613-967-0122 Ext. 175 or Lyndsay Scero Ext. 148

# We walk for the future of our First Nations Children! EVERYONE IS WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE!

### **Agenda**

- 9:00 Meet at Kanhiote Library/Nation Building
- 9:15 Opening
  - ... Hand out Signs/Stickers etc.
  - ...Sign letters (for those of you who have not signed the letters)
  - ...Collect letters
- 9:20 Walk begins leaving Library/Nation Building
- 9:30 Arrive at Community Centre

**Letters Collected** 

Hand out stickers/Signs to walkers

...a bus will be available to transport Children back to the Daycare

Fruit & water will be available to all participants

- 9:35 Begin Walk (Walkers may choose to walk only one section or the whole way)
- 9:50 Band Office/FNTI driveway (break)...new walkers can join us
- 11:00 59ers Hall (break)...new walkers can join us
- 11:30 L & M variety (break)...new walkers can join us
- 11:45 Post Office, Deseronto...mail letters, celebration song

\*Vans & Bus will be available to drive participants back to the Library/Nation building\*

Note that this agenda is a guideline; times may vary slightly on the day of the event



### This peaceful and respectful walk supports three campaigns:

- ✓ Shannen's Dream ( <u>www.shannensdream.ca</u>) for "a safe and comfy school" Shannen Koostachin
- ✓ Jordan's Principle ( <u>www.jordansprinciple.ca</u>) to ensure equitable access to all government services.
- ✓ I am a witness campaign ( <u>www.fnwitness</u>) to help First Nations children grow up in safe homes.

"Individual actions seem insignificant, but together the small steps of many people can have an astonishing impact " - Unknown