



AREA 2 - MINEGOZIIBE ANISHINABE FIRST NATION



Traditional Community Name:

Minegoziibe (Pine Creek)



Indigenous Language(s):

Anishnaabemowin
(Nakawēmowin
also known as Saulteaux or
Western Ojibwa)



Minegoziibe Anishinabe School:

Grades: Nursery to Grade 12
Enrollment: Approximately 214
Staff: Approximately 45



Access:

Paved, all-weather roads



Treaty Territory:

Treaty 4



Location:

On the southwestern shore
of Lake Winnipegosis,
approximately 440 km
northwest of Winnipeg and
119 km north of Dauphin



Average Temperatures:

January

High -10 °C Low -19 °C
Extreme Low -32 °C

June

High 23 °C Low 11 °C
Extreme High 31 °C



Population:

Approximately 1200 on
reserve

ABOUT THE COMMUNITY

Minegoziibe Anishinabe First Nation (formerly known as Pine Creek First Nation), is located along the southwestern shore of Lake Winnipegosis between the related communities of Camperville and Duck Bay. Plains Ojibwa people (Anishinaabeg) from the Lake Superior area near present day Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario migrated to Pine Creek sometime before the 1700s. There they found an abundance of freshwater fish, waterfowl, and other wild game. Although located amongst Treaty 2 communities, Minegoziibe Anishinabe First Nation were signatories of Treaty 4 at Fort Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan in 1874. Today, the school, health centre, and First Nation are the area's primary employers, but fishing, trapping, and hunting continue to be important to the local economy.



SUBSIDIZED HOUSING IN MINEGOZIIBE ANISHINABE FIRST NATION

There are houses for staff located in nearby Duck Bay. Utilities are included in the rent and Frontier School Division provides maintenance. Wireless internet is available but is the responsibility of the tenant.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Local language, cultural values, and Indigenous history are an important part of the curriculum at Minegoziibe Anishinabe School. The school offers an Ojibwe language program for all grades, as well as cultural programming alongside community Elders and Knowledge Keepers.

Every year at the end of September, students from Grades 5 to 12 are taken out on the land for a four-day culture camp where they have the opportunity to interact with and learn from local Elders and Knowledge Keepers. In September 2022, the school held its first Fall Moose Camp that included teachings about the tipi, the moose, and the sweat lodge. Cultural teachings at the camps expand on activities partaken throughout the year that may also include canoeing, harvesting medicines (sweetgrass, sage, and cedar) and/or berries, depending upon the season.

REASONS TO JOIN FRONTIER SCHOOL DIVISION

- Our 39 school communities are populated with friendly people and are located in some of the most scenic areas of the province.
- There are many opportunities to engage with local Indigenous Elders and Knowledge Keepers and to participate in local cultural events and activities.
- Frontier School Division is dedicated to the preservation and revitalization of Indigenous languages and cultures, as well as advancing the calls to action of the Truth and Reconciliation Committee.
- We provide our teachers with PD and other supports to ensure our students receive a quality, inclusive education that includes Indigenous perspectives, local language(s), and cultural programming.
- Frontier School Division has a unique 3-tiered, grassroots governance system to help provide meaningful, appropriate, and locally relevant education in our schools.
- Frontier School Division spans nearly 75% of the province and is organized into 5 Areas.



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