



## AREA 3 - STEVENSON ISLAND



**Traditional Community Name:**  
N/A



**Population:**  
79



**Stevenson Island School:**  
*Grades:* Nursery to Grade 9  
*Enrollment:* Approximately 13  
*Staff:* Approximately 4



**Access:**  
By Air via Perimeter Airlines



**Indigenous Language(s):**  
Anisininemowin  
(Island Lake Dialect of Ojibwe-Cree)



**Average Temperatures:**

|      | January | June       |
|------|---------|------------|
| High | -15°C   | High 20 °C |
| Low  | -22°C   | Low 10 °C  |



**Treaty Territory:**  
Treaty 5



**Location:**  
470 km northeast of Winnipeg and 550 km south of Churchill

## ABOUT THE COMMUNITY

The area around Island Lake has been inhabited by the Anishiniwag First Nations since time immemorial. The local Anishiniwag maintained a traditional way of life, moving from place to place throughout their vast territory well into the 19th century until an influx of settlers and traders across the province and beyond pushed the area's natural resources to their limits. As a result of the strain placed on the environment, the local Anishiniwag way of life began to break down, forcing them to band together with various other First Nations to sign a treaty with the government in 1909 in the hopes of asserting their future. Today, Island Lake's economy is centred around fishing and trapping, though efforts to exploit the local mineral resources are in continuous motion.





## SUBSIDIZED HOUSING IN ISLAND LAKE

Staff housing is located within walking distance of the school. Each teacherage is fitted with a fridge, stove, washer, dryer, bedroom suite, double bed, couches, coffee table set, kitchen table and chair set. Heat and electricity are included in the rent and Frontier School Division provides maintenance. Pets are allowed. Internet is available but must be arranged and paid for by the tenant. The community has full cellular service.

## SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

As a part of Frontier School Division, Stevenson Island School has a focus on individual and supportive learning, land-based education facilitated by our Indigenous Way of Life Department and community Elders, as well as opportunities for adventurous experiences both inside and outside the classroom. Stevenson Island School aims to give both students and teachers the opportunity to learn more about themselves and their community as part of their day to day life, and foster an educational experience that is unique to Frontier.

Stevenson Island School is unique in Frontier School Division for how it's accessed. As the school is located on an island that is separated from the rest of the community without any bridge or road access, students are ferried from the mainland over the small channel to attend school, using boats in the warm months and snowmobiles in the cold.

## 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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