

Appendix A

Target Groups for Consultations

Below is a sample list of the various groups that will be targeted in each community.

Early Childhood	Elementary/ Secondary	Post-Secondary	Employment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On Reserve Early Childhood Education Programs • Off Reserve Early Childhood Education Programs • Alvin Buckwold Centre and other similar programs • FSIN, Tribal Councils, Bands • Métis Nation of Saskatchewan (MNS) • Parents • Teachers • Communities • Human Service Providers • Regional Intersectoral Committees (RICs) • Gift of Language (LaRonge) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Nations Schools, Education Authorities, Education Councils, Boards of Education on First Nations • First Nations Directors of Education • Human Service Providers (RIC's) • FSIN, MNS, Métis Locals • Ministry of Education • School Divisions • Corrections, Kilborn Hall etc., remand and jail inmates • Child Protection Services and Adoptions • Special needs supports – (FASD) • National Education Panel • The Truth and Reconciliation Commission • Sask. School Boards Association • League of Educational Administrators, Directors and Superintendents (LEADS) • Saskatchewan Teacher's Federation (STF) • School Committees, Parents and Students • Administrators, Teachers, Educational Assistants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Nation Post- Secondary Student Support Program (PSSSP) • Tribal Councils, FSIN • Gabriel Dumont Institute (GDI), Southern Urban Native Teacher Education Program (SUNTEP), MNS, Métis Locals • Indian Teacher Education Program (ITEP) • Universities, First Nations University of Canada (FUNC) Colleges - College of Law etc. • Students, Deans, Directors, Presidents • SIAST • SIIT • Trades and Skills Centers • Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration (AEEI) Programs • Str8Up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northern Career Quest (NCQ) • Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC) Programs • Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration (AEEI) Programs • Trades Centers, Apprenticeship Agencies, Woodland Cree (others) • FSIN, MNS, Métis Locals • Corporations, Corporate Programs • Employees • Employers • Chamber of Commerce • Saskatchewan Indian Cultural College (SICC) • Saskatchewan Indian Training Assessment Group (SITAG)

Detail of Processes for Consultations

The consultation processes that will be used will relate directly to the community, organization or individuals the Joint Task Force will be meeting with. Flexibility and adaptability are key components of the consultations. A wide range of organizations, communities and individuals will be invited to attend various meetings and the open public meeting in each community.

The general strategy and framework used to guide the consultations will be as follows:

- 1. Communications consultants will: work with SELU to identify key groups in each community, advertise the consultations, and use community based strategies to encourage a wide range of attendees.**
- 2. An opening prayer and blessing of the food will be done by local Elders.**
- 3. A power point presentation will be presented by Gary Merasty – Chair, or in his absence, by another member of the Joint Task Force. The intent of the power point is to briefly review the mandate, desired outcomes and scope of the Joint Task Force and to set the context for the discussion that will follow. (See attached)**
- 4. The consultations will be guided by four questions: 1. What are the good things that you believe are working? 2. What do you believe should be changed? 3. What do you believe in your heart will work? 4. What supports do you believe are needed in order for your children, youth and all First Nations and Métis people to have the opportunities they need and deserve to be successful? The questions follow the same format for each of the four target groups with the wording adjusted to match each target group. They overlap and are not intended to be used in any specific order.**
- 5. In some communities the questions will be discussed orally only and recorders will capture the essence of the responses and comments. Sessions will be audio recorded only with permission from attendees.**
- 6. Joint Task Force members will use a conversation style approach to ask questions, and encourage further discussion at each consultation to provide for deep dialogue. Processes are in place to ensure that everyone has the opportunity and comfort level to speak or write their suggestions.**
- 7. Discussion guides have been prepared for use in more formal gatherings. At these meetings participants will be asked to provide written responses to the questions and small and large group processes will be used to verbally share ideas.**
- 8. Refreshments will be served and child care will be provided when needed.**