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# SKIDGE CAMPAIGN

### MAMAWI ATOSKETAN NATIVE SCHOOL

TAKING FIRST NATIONS TEENS TO HIGHER EDUCATION

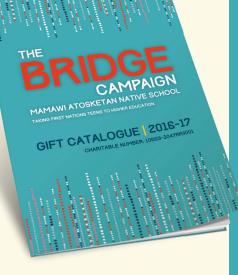
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Total raised for buildings: **\$4.3 million** 

## Goal: \$4.9 million

## SHARE THE LOVE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON: THE BRIDGE CAMPAIGN GIFT CATALOGUE

As construction of the high school and industrial arts buildings progress, it becomes easier to visualize the completed classroom and instruction areas and the equipment needed for learning in each one. Whether it's smartboards for classrooms, drums for the cultural room, a sander in the construction bay or an oven in the kitchen, the Gift Catalogue for The Bridge Campaign is the perfect place to find many of these items.



Not sure what to get your family and friends for their next birthday or Christmas? This is a perfect way to remember them and help the students from Maskwacis at the same time. The catalogue can be viewed at **www.mans1.ca** and donations made online or call the Conference Office (403-342-5044 x 226) for more information, to make a donation, or to get a paper copy of the catalogue.

## CONSTRUCTION BAY CLAIMED BY BIRD CONSTRUCTION

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In a joint gift, the Ptarmigan Foundation has generously added to their original contribution for the Ptarmigan Cree Cultural Centre, and in conjunction with Bird Construction Inc., will fund the construction bay in the Leon Ingraham Industrial Arts Centre.

The Bird Construction industrial arts shop will help connect First Nations students with the construction and engineering industries and expand students' career horizons.



#### HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT SOARS

Classes for the 2017-18 school year began on September 5 and the school came alive with 212 students, 35 of which are in high school.

This is almost double the expected high school enrolment, even though the buildings are still under construction and the labs and other necessary spaces aren't yet completed. Most classrooms are full and some had waiting lists.



High school students are off to a hard-working start in temporary, filled-to-capacity classrooms.

## "MAKE A GIFT CATALOGUE" IS ONLINE! www.mans1.ca

# ALMOST THERE!

**Our original dream has matured and grown.** The design has evolved to become a new school for Grades 7 - 12 with a donor-inspired Industrial Arts Centre in a separate building.

Before camp meeting, we needed \$717,884 more to fund the construction of the main high school building. However, with the generosity of many at Camp Meeting and over the summer, that total has been significantly reduced.

Here are the most recent totals for the buildings and for the other important programs needed to make The Bridge complete.

#### **BULDINGS**

Main High School Building: A new building is necessary to house labs, kitchens, and other amenities for a complete Alberta Education high school curriculum.

Raised: \$3.3 million Remainder to raise: \$540,000

#### Leon Ingraham Industrial Arts Centre:

The Leon Ingraham Industrial Arts Centre includes a classroom plus three bays where welding, construction and other trade skills will be taught. Raised: \$750,000 Fully Funded



Construction of the high school continues to progress.

#### PROGRAMS

Nutrition Program: In keeping with MANS' philosophy of caring for the whole child, supplemental meals are provided as needed. Raised: \$20,000 Remainder to raise: \$80,000

After School Program: Building confidencethrough sports and other skilled activities also keepsstudents in a safe environment during a critical time ofday, when they are more likely to be exposed to gangs.Raised: \$25,000Remainder to raise: \$25,000

Scholarships: Investing in a MANS graduate sends animportant message of support and confidence.Raised: \$51,000Remainder to raise: \$49,000

New Horizons/Post Secondary Support Program: MANS' counseling office offers university and career training education and exposure. An aboriginal student liason position at a small private university within easy driving distance of the Reserve has been created. Raised: \$150,000 Fully Funded



#### A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED THE BRIDGE CAMPAIGN AT CAMP MEETING

A BIG Thank You to all who supported The Bridge Campaign at Camp Meeting. The varied bannocks sold out at the Food Fair Booth on Sunday afternoon, and campers from the children's divisions took turns making crafts at the MANS teepee. If you were unable to attend the "Understanding First Nations Issues" seminar, be sure to watch the four part CBC presentation *8th Fire* at **www.cbc.ca/8thfire/2011/11/tv-series-8th-fire.html.** 

If you missed the spectacular MANS mission-focused Sabbath School on the first weekend, see the video produced by Nwamiko Madden for the occasion at **www.vimeo.com/235381570**.



The Mans teepee was the centre of activity and information at Camp Meeting.