



Orillia Campus Report – April, 2016

- Interim Aboriginal Initiatives Coordinator hired on a part time basis until the end of April. Tareyn Johnson will work on the Orillia campus in this role for 2 days a week. She works at Georgian College in a similar role the remaining 3 days of the week.
- A new office in residence has been dedicated as the Aboriginal Initiatives Office. This space is available for smudging Monday to Friday and for special events.
- Full time position for Student Support, AMP, and CLAN has been approved by the Provost. Job advertisement expected to go up in the next week.
- Continued support provided to the Turtle Island Student Circle (formerly the Lakehead University-Orillia Aboriginal Student Committee).
- Turtle Island Student Circle hosted a vigil for Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women in late March. Event was well attended.
- Student Circle recently held a logo launch event with support from the office of Aboriginal Initiatives-Orillia. Great success with an elder present. Traditional food was shared along with a smudge, singing, and prayer.
- As part of the Aboriginal Mentorship Program two Aboriginal Preview Days were held on the Orillia campus on April 4 and 5 for the first time. Special thanks to Lisa Harris, Anna Chief, Jerri-Lynn Orr and their team from Thunder Bay for their direction, support, and organizing.
- Promotion of the Coordinated Learning Access Network (CLAN) is underway. Postcards and posters have been distributed on campus. Training has been provided to the entire Student Affairs team.