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First Nations Agriculture for Seven Generations



The First Nations Agriculture for Seven Generations Program was created by IAPO in partnership with Agscape to support increased First Nation participation in the farming and Agriculture Sector.

The goal of the project is to engage First Nation Youth's interest in farming and agribusiness possibilities and opportunities.

First Nations communities have always played an integral role in the history of farming and agriculture which has shaped the industry around the world. Agriculture for Seven

About IAPO

IAPO is a First Nation not for profit corporation that was established in 1984. We endeavour to empower First Nation communities through financial support through various lending programs.

In addition to providing funding opportunities, IAPO also offers agricultural extension and advisory services, training, and workshops to First Nation communities and farmers throughout Ontario.



First Nations Farm & Business Financing

SEVEN GENERATIONS LESSONS:

- Are for grades 9-12
- Are interactive and engaging
- Incorporates Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe culture
- Align with the Ontario curriculum
- Encourage students to think critically about food security, food sovereignty (self determination), connection to land as well as career opportunities in food and farming

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Lesson Overview:

Past, Present and Future

In this lesson, students will learn about agriculture and food as well as its relationship with First Nation peoples from the lens of the past, present and future. Students will culminate the lesson by exploring career pathways available to First Nation Youth in the agri-food sector related to technology and advancements in the agrifood field.

Local and Global Food Impacts

In this lesson, students will explore local food issues as well as learn about First Nations' impact on local and global food systems. Students will culminate the lesson by exploring career pathways available to First Nation Youth in the agri-food sector related to local and global food systems.

Food Sovereignty

In this lesson, students will discuss the ideas of food sovereignty and food security. They will connect traditional ecological connections to current agricultural practice through a variety of classroom discussions and optional written and land-based learning activities. They will also explore career pathways available to First Nation Youth in the agri-food sector related to local and global food systems.

WHAT DO WE PROVIDE?

The Seven Generations Lead provides 75 minute Ontario curriculum-linked lessons to First Nation secondary school students. The lessons incorporate cultural aspects to honour our identity as First Nations in Ontario and real life examples of First Nations farmers participating in the industry today.

