



Gibimishkaadimin

Realizing Truth and Reconciliation as We Paddle Together

Gibimishkaadimin 2022 will be the fourth journey of building relationships for Indigenous youth from across Canada and for non-Indigenous youth from Shining Waters (Region 10). Youth must be 16 to 18 years old on August 22, 2022. Youth will arrive in Toronto on **Monday, Aug. 22**, travel by bus to Temagami, canoe, and return home on **Tuesday, Aug. 30, 2022**.

- To protect the home communities of the youth, all youth, leaders-in-training, program leaders and elders must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.
- The trip includes paddling canoes for 4 to 5 hours a day, portaging canoes and supplies, cooking out of doors and sleeping in tents.
- Gibimishkaadimin has a no smoking, no vaping, no alcohol and no street drugs policy.
- When they return home, youth will be expected to do a project of reconciliation within their community.

Application Form

Fill in the application form below and return it by mail or fax (details on last page)

Youth Information

Youth's name

Youth's Email (if any)

Date of Birth

Gender Identity

Address

Youth's Cell Phone (if any)

Please tell us the ethnic group that you identify with:

If you are Indigenous, please tell us your nation/community/land claims settlement:

If you are First Nation, please tell us if you live on reserve or off reserve:

___ on reserve

___ off reserve

What is your connection to The United Church of Canada:

What is the name of your Congregation, if any:

Please tell us why you, the youth participant, would like to participate in Gibimishkaadimin:

(150-200 words)

Parent/Guardian Information

Name(s) of Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Email of 1st Parent/Guardian:

Email of 2nd Parent/Guardian - if applicable:

Main Phone to reach Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Second Phone for Parent(s)/Guardian(s) - cell, work, etc. – if applicable

Third Phone to reach Parent(s)/Guardian(s) if applicable

Specify the name(s) of the people that you authorize to pick up your Youth:

Specify the name(s) of the people that you **DO NOT** authorize to pick up your Youth:

First Emergency Contact: (Name, Relationship, Email, Phone Number, Address)

Second Emergency Contact: (Name, Relationship, Email, Phone Number, Address)

Any additional contact information, if any, in case of emergency:

Health Information

Health Card Number, Version Code and Province

Our activities include canoeing, swimming, hiking, cooking out of doors and sleeping in tents. To enjoy the trip, you must be physically fit to do these activities.

GENERAL HEALTH AND LEVEL OF FITNESS - Please rate your level of fitness where 1=little fitness, 2=some fitness, 3=average fitness, 4=good fitness, 5=excellent fitness

CANOEING FITNESS where 1=no experience, 2=some ability/experience, 3=average ability/experience, 4=good ability/experience, 5=excellent ability/experience

SWIMMING FITNESS where 1=no experience, 2=some ability/experience, 3=average ability/experience, 4=good ability/experience, 5=excellent ability/experience

HIKING FITNESS where 1=no experience, 2=some ability/experience, 3=average ability/experience, 4=good ability/experience, 5=excellent ability/experience

Food preferences: Are you vegetarian? vegan? Do you have food allergies?

- Vegetarian
- Vegan
- Food allergies
- Other dietary needs
- None of the above

Describe your food allergies or dietary needs:

Describe your allergies, physical, mental or health concerns, if any:

COVID-19 Vaccinations

Gibimishkaadimin requires that all youth, leaders-in-training, program leaders and elders be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

I received my COVID-19 vaccination on this date:

- 1st vaccination _____
- 2nd vaccination _____
- Other vaccinations _____

I have not been vaccinated

Are you bringing medications?

- Yes (describe below)
- No

List the medications you are bringing, if any:

Doctor's Name, Address and Phone Number:

I understand that Gibimishkaadimin is a week-long wilderness canoe trip. I acknowledge that Gibimishkaadimin has a no smoking, no vaping, no alcohol and no street drugs policy that will be enforced.

Name of Youth

Signature of Youth

Date

Parental/Guardian Consent for Gibimishkaadimin 2022

Note: We can only accept applications where the Parent/Guardian gives consent to all of the permissions below.

1. I, the parent/guardian, give permission for the above-named participant to attend Gibimishkaadimin and participate in all the activities in the program.
2. I, the parent/guardian, have disclosed all pertinent medical information including medications. I give permission to allow the named Family Doctor to give medical information should it be required. I permit the leaders of the program to use their judgement in determining the extent of immediate medical care as required and the possibility of using the emergency services of a hospital or clinic.
3. I, the parent/guardian, understand that Gibimishkaadimin has a no alcohol and no recreational drugs policy for all participants while on the trip. If a Program staff has reasonable cause, I give my permission for a search of my youth's belongings. I understand that Gibimishkaadimin and the Program Leaders have the right to dismiss a participant, who, in their opinion, has displayed unacceptable behaviour.
4. I, the parent/guardian, give permission for the participant named above to have their picture taken during the program and give Gibimishkaadimin permission to use the picture in promotional material including the Gibimishkaadimin website and Facebook page, The United Church of Canada print and electronic media, and related sites.
5. I, the parent/guardian certify that my youth has been fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Questions & Comments

Return the form by March 31, 2022

- by mail: Gibimishkaadimin 2022, c/o Bloor Street United Church, 300 Bloor Street West, Toronto, ON, M5S 1W3
- by fax: 1-647-560-8728
- by email: gibimishkaadimin@gmail.com

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