

Honouring Our Land Through Higher Learning

2026 IAHLA AGM and Conference

October 22-23, 2026
Pinnacle Hotel Harbourfront
Vancouver

The Indigenous Adult and Higher Learning Association (IAHLA) Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Conference will bring together educators and administrators from IAHLA member institutes across British Columbia.

With the theme of ***Honouring Our Land Through Higher Learning***, the Conference will highlight the significance and impact of higher education grounded in land-based learning.

Registration & Travel

Register at <https://iahla.ca/iahla-agm-and-conference/>.

Staff, faculty and students of IAHLA member institutes are invited to register free of charge.

Space permitting, IAHLA member institutes will be welcome to invite up to one representative from their partner public post-secondary institution for a registration fee of \$400 to cover the cost of their attendance.

IAHLA will reimburse eligible travel and accommodation expenses up to **\$1,250** for the Authorized Representative or their proxy for each member institute.

Contact

For event questions, please contact pseadmin@fnesc.ca or 1-877-422-3672.



Accommodation

Pinnacle Hotel Harbourfront
1133 West Hastings Street, Vancouver

- Single/Double rooms available from \$299 + tax
- Book by **Monday, September 21, 2026**, for the negotiated rate. Rooms are limited.
- Booking Method:
 - Reserve using this [Booking Link](#)
 - Phone: 1 844-697-2869 or 604-689-9211
 - Email: vancouver.reservations@pinnaclehotels.ca



Underground public parking is available. Self-parking is \$34.70 CAD + tax per night with in-out privileges when you register your vehicle at the time of check-in.

Annual General Meeting

Administrators and educators from IAHLA member institutes are welcome to attend the AGM and Conference. Each IAHLA member institute in good standing has one authorized representative who can vote at the AGM. If the authorized representative cannot attend, they can appoint a proxy by **October 15, 2026**. For IAHLA membership and proxy enquiries, please contact pseadmin@fnesc.ca.

Meals

Buffet breakfasts and lunches with a variety of food options will be offered. Please indicate any dietary needs or severe allergies on your registration form.

Sharing Table

IAHLA member institutes are invited to bring flyers/brochures about their institutes or resources of interest to IAHLA members for our Sharing Table. Please drop off your items at the Information and Directions station in the foyer when you arrive at the conference.

Photography

This is a public event where photography and video recording may take place. The images and recordings may be used by IAHLA and the First Nations Education Steering Committee for promotional purposes. In case of questions, please contact pseadmin@fnesc.ca.

Health Protocols

Only registered participants are eligible to attend. As per our health and safety processes, we ask that you stay home if you are feeling unwell.

Recording

Audio recording, video recording, AI transcription, and use of other AI tools to record at the event is not permitted.

Draft Agenda (subject to change)

Day 1 | Thursday, October 22

- 8:00 am Registration and Breakfast
- 9:00 am Traditional Welcome
- 9:15 am Opening Remarks, Tracey Kim Bonneau, Chair, IAHLA
- 9:30 am Remarks
- 10:00 am Presentation, BC First Nations Tripartite Post-Secondary Education Model
- 10:45 am Refreshment Break
- 11:00 am Workshop/Plenary Session
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm Workshop/Plenary Session
- 2:00 pm Presentation, IAHLA Activities and Achievements
- 2:30 pm Refreshment Break and AGM Registration
- 3:00 pm IAHLA Annual General Meeting
- 4:00 pm Culture and Connection Activity
- 5:30 pm End of the Day

Day 2 | Friday, October 23

- 8:00 am Registration and Breakfast
- 9:00 am Opening Remarks
- 9:15 am Keynote Address
- 9:30 am Workshop/Plenary Session
- 10:30 am Refreshment Break
- 10:45 am Workshop/Plenary Session
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm Learners Panel
- 2:15 pm Closing and Door Prizes
- 2:45 pm End of the Day

Watch <https://iahla.ca/iahla-agm-and-conference/> for conference news and updates.

About IAHLA

Founded in 2003, IAHLA provides a unified voice for First Nations Mandated adult and post-secondary education institutes in BC. IAHLA member institutes play a critical role in the BC post-secondary education system by delivering culturally relevant post-secondary education programs and services that respect and respond to First Nations learner and community needs. IAHLA is committed to building partnerships to enhance the quality of education available for First Nations learners.

