Idea File for Schools

Tips to start planning for Alberta Culture Days.

Choose a Theme

Adapt ideas for the needs and age of your class. Devise an appropriate introduction to the subject. Students and teachers are invited to find innovative and creative ways to celebrate culture during Alberta Culture Days, either in the classroom or by attending a local community event
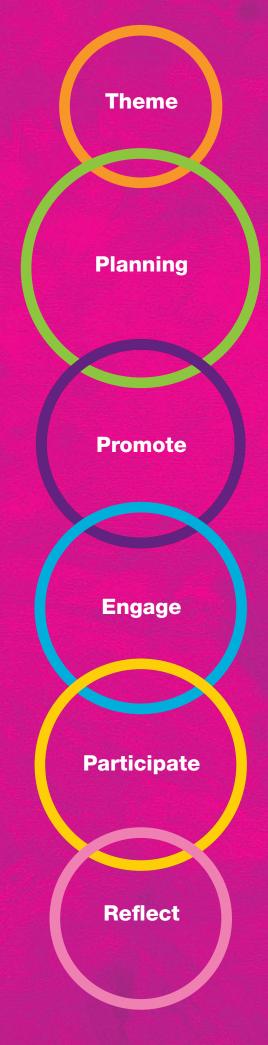
Create Activities

Devise an appropriate introduction to the subject. Consider involving students in the planning. Look for partnership opportunities with other classrooms, local artists and cultural leaders, non-profit organizations and even businesses.

Promote Participation

Create posters with your school's event information. Customizable poster templates are available on the Alberta Culture Days website. Hand out take-home activities. Register your event or activity by emailing AlbertaCultureDays@gov.ab.ca.

Engage the Community

Partnering with community organizations and businesses provides opportunities for students to share their talents, learn about volunteerism, and gain confidence and recognition.

Participation

Alberta Culture Days is as much an opportunity for organizations and businesses to connect with the community as it is for students to learn about culture. When students have the chance to work alongside professional artists, watch performers, meet cultural leaders such as Indigenous artisans, or hear about a career in culture from a person employed in the field, it can open up their world.

Reflect on Events

As part of the celebration, reflect on what the event meant to you and your students. Offer positive feedback on their presentations and creations, or support for their patronage as audience members. Take notes on how it went and how you might change the activity in the future.

Theme

Planning

Promote

Engage

Participate

Reflect

sculptures from found objects
listen to music visual arts literary arts
field trips
write performing arts improvise
draw on creativity
live performers film paint
speakers
hold a workshop Dance-a-thon photo essay
class projects make a concert

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