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KEC and KCSC Meet with Community Organizations on Bill 96

Kahnawà:ke Education Center (KEC)

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The Kahnawà:ke Education Center and Kahnawà:ke Combined School Committee representatives met with key community organizations Tuesday, April 26, 2022 to discuss Quebec's Bill 96 and its far reaching negative impacts on students and community should it reach approval.

The meeting's purpose was to update the organizations on Bill 96's development, its impacts and gather their input on how Bill 96 may affect their organizations and our community. Throughout discussions and preliminary analysis, it became evident this is a high-level community issue that challenges our inherent human and Indigenous rights.

Along with students, all organizational sectors would also feel the impact of any approved amendments favouring Quebec language laws. This includes social service and health organizations within our community providing services in the English language.

Organizational partners agree collaboration and a united effort is critical to oppose Bill 96 for its assault and forced assimilation on Indigenous people in Quebec. We are working on a collaborative communications plan with community organizations. Various meetings with respective organizational bodies are planned, with another secondary planning meeting scheduled for next week, where more details will be released.

More information will be provided as the fight on this important issue continues.

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