



# Birchbark Discovery Centre

Where Learning is Ignited

## Call for Expressions of Interest for 2021-2022

The Birchbark Discovery Centre is a community-based, alternative education program housed in Mildred Hall School. It is a multi-age program and is looking to intake new students in grades 1-6 for the 2021-2022 school year. The program is expanding to two classrooms, a grade 1-3 and a grade 4-6. The goal of the program is to foster a diverse class of learners who benefit from self-directed, discovery and inquiry-based learning. The program maximizes community involvement and integration to complement the curiosity and interests of the students. Although the program has its own classroom in Mildred Hall School, much of the learning takes place in the natural environment. The Birchbark Discovery Centre has seen some wonderful examples of student success in its first three years thanks to a learning environment built on trust, respect, inclusiveness, and collaboration. The program is rooted in its five guiding principles, which are:

- Children are at the centre of their own learning
- Learners are encouraged to be creative, innovative, and take risks
- Diverse and flexible learning pathways are supported
- Learning is a partnership
- Everyone is a learner and everyone is a teacher

If you are interested in enrolling your child in this program, please email [brendan.callas@yk1.nt.ca](mailto:brendan.callas@yk1.nt.ca) by **3:00 pm on June 11, 2021**. Include your child's name, current school, and what grade they will be entering in the fall. Candidates who have been accepted into the program will be notified as soon as possible.

