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**Date:** Tuesday, May 19, 2026

**Topic:** **Acknowledging Treaty Week: May 18–22, 2026**

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This week, May 18 to 22, 2026, is officially proclaimed as Treaty Week in Manitoba, an important time to reflect on the Treaties and the ongoing relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples.

In observing this week, we reaffirm our division's commitment to Truth and Reconciliation. As part of this commitment, we continue to recognize the traditional territories on which our schools and communities reside through our divisional land acknowledgement:

*Park West School Division recognizes our history as an organization and as settlers to these Lands on Treaty 2 and Treaty 4, the original lands of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Metis Nation. Park West School Division respects the Treaties that were made on these territories, we acknowledge the harms and the mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities, in the spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.*

Land acknowledgements are intended as a gesture of respect and a reminder of the vital relationship between Indigenous peoples and the land. Our goal is to foster awareness, understanding, and reconciliation among all members of our school community.

We encourage all staff to engage in meaningful learning and reflection regarding the history and spirit of the Treaties this week and throughout the year.