# Mental Health Week - 1st Week in May



# Métis Significance

The Canadian Mental Health Association's CMHA Mental Health Week is an annual national event that takes place during the first week of May. It encourages people from all walks of life to learn, talk, reflect, and engage with others on all issues relating to mental health.

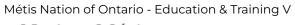
The Métis Nation of Ontario's (MNO) Healing and Wellness branch facilitates and coordinates programs, services, and activities to address the holistic needs of Métis people in Ontario at the provincial, regional, and local levels. To us, holistic Indigenous health encompasses the physical, mental, emotional, spiritual, and cultural aspects of one's life. Through an understanding of self, a vision of wellness, and a balanced body, mind, and spirit, the MNO promotes a vision of health and wellness through the healing continuum.

#### **Recommended Resources for Elementary Schools**

| Title  | Author                      | Grade | Where to buy              |
|--|-----------------------------|-------|---------------------------|
| Brave like the Buffalo                             | Allan, M<br>Fischer-McNab J | K-6   | <u>Indigo</u>             |
| The Dancing Trees                                  | Kelly, M                    | 3-6   | <u>Indigo</u>             |
| Magnificent Magnetic Me                            | Solomon, N                  | 1-6   | Indigenous<br>Reflections |
| Birdsong<br>See Michif and French translation list | Flett, J                    | K-4   | <u>Indigo</u>             |
| When we are Kind                                   | Smith, M                    | K-3   | <u>Indigo</u>             |









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|--|-------------------------|-------|-------------------|
| We Need Everyone                           | Redhead Champagne,<br>M | K-3   | <u>Good Minds</u> |
| Métis and Dandelions                       | Dorion, L               | K-6   | Good Minds        |
| The Giving Tree                            | Dorion, L               | K-6   | Good Minds        |
| Sometimes I Feel Like an Oak               | Daniel, D               | K-6   | <u>Indigo</u>     |
| Little by Little: You Can Change the World | Ballantyne, S           | 4-7   | Good Minds        |

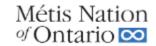
## **Recommended Resources for Secondary Schools**

| Title                    | Author      | Grade/Subject | Where to buy |
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| An Anthology of Monsters | Dimaline, C |               | Good Minds   |

## **Recommended Websites or Videos for Research and Information**

|  | Appropriate For     |
|--|---------------------|
| Who are the Métis? - Metis Nation of Ontario Who are the Metis?        | Teacher / Secondary |
| Métis Nation of Ontario - <u>Webinars</u>                              | Teacher             |
| Métis Nation of Ontario Crisis Line - <u>Addictions and Services</u> . | Teacher/Students    |
| Métis Nation of Ontario - <u>Education Advocacy Program</u>            | Teacher/Students    |







| <b>ELCC Develo</b> | pment Resource Program |
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#### **Additional Resources**

- Michif and French Translations for Bird Song



