

Vincent Spina Indigenous Education Award

This award is presented annually in recognition of **Vincent Spina**, a young person who has faced many obstacles in his life but has demonstrated that a positive attitude and true effort can bring personal joy and fulfillment.

In honour of Vincent's effort, his parents, Ross and Marg Spina, have created this award to recognize others who have faced obstacles on their way to attaining their educational goals and dreams.

Guidelines for Receiving the Vincent Spina Award:

- Recipients of the award must be students of Indigenous ancestry in School District 73 who are eligible to graduate in June 2024.
- The award is presented at the annual School District 73 Indigenous Graduation Ceremony. This year the Grad will be held on Monday, June 2, 2025
- The amount of the award is \$250.
- Recipients of the award must be **nominated** by their Indigenous Education Worker or teacher. More than one student can be nominated from a school.
- Individuals who are nominating a student must prepare a brief essay (minimum 2 pages) including the following information:
 - How the student has overcome obstacles to graduate
 - How the student maintained a positive attitude, even when faced with barriers
 - How the student demonstrated outstanding effort in achieving the goal of graduation from Grade 12

Application Deadline: 1st Friday in May

Please submit nominations and essays to:

Administrative Assistant
Indigenous Education
Council School District 73
225-345 Chief Alex Thomas Way
Kamloops, BC V2H 1H1_
scollins@sd73.bc.ca

NOMINATION FORM
Vincent Spina
Indigenous Education Award

Eligibility: Graduating Grade 12 Students of Indigenous Ancestry

Indigenous Education Worker/Teacher (Nominator): _____

Name: _____ School: _____

Male: _____ Female: _____ Home Phone Number: _____

Address: _____ City _____ Postal Code _____

Social Insurance Number: _____

Indigenous Ancestry

Does your student self-identify as Indigenous? Yes ___ No ___ Nation/Band: _____

(Check One) First Nations Status: ___ First Nations Non-Status: ___ Metis: ___ Inuit: ___

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