# DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

## **American Indian Literature Resources**

## **Purpose**

This resource document has been created as a starting point for educators to incorporate American Indian literature, with a focus on Anishinaabe and Dakota, into their classes.

## Resources

### **Documents**

<u>A Guide to Reliable Native American-Related Teaching Resources: With Reference to Minnesota K-12 Academic</u> <u>Standards in English Language Arts</u>

National Indian Education Association Recommended K-12 Reading List

Native American Children's Literature Recommended Reading List

Worksheet for Selecting Native American Children's Literature

### **Instructional Materials**

Discussion Guide for The Soul of the Indian by Charles Alexander Eastman (Ohiyesa)

Discussion Guide for Waterlily by Ella Cara Deloria

Everything You Wanted to Know About Indians But Where Afraid to Ask: Young Readers Edition, Educator Guide: Genocide of Indigenous People

Everything You Wanted to Know About Indians But Where Afraid to Ask: Young Readers Edition, Educator Guide: History of Indigenous People Before 1492

Everything You Wanted to Know About Indians But Where Afraid to Ask: Young Readers Edition, Educator Guide: Real History of Christopher Columbus

Everything You Wanted to Know About Indians But Where Afraid to Ask: Young Readers Edition, Educator Guide: Manifest Destiny and the Role of Christian Missionaries in the Eradication of Indigenous People

Everything You Wanted to Know About Indians But Where Afraid to Ask: Young Readers Edition, Educator Guide: Sovereignty & Treaties Everything You Wanted to Know About Indians But Where Afraid to Ask: Young Readers Edition, Educator Guide: Using Appropriate American Indian Terminology

Heartdrum: And Imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, Educator Guide

Look, Grandma! Ni, Elisi! Math Activities

Louise Erdrich's Birchbark House Books Supplemental Teaching Guide

Text-based Inquiry Unit for Louise Erdrich's The Birchbark House, Language Arts – Grades 5-8

Where Wolves Don't Die Educator Guide

While the Locust Slept

#### Videos

#### **Read Aloud Videos**

MNHS Storytime: "Bowwow Powwow" by Brenda Child (English Version)

MNHS Storytime: "Bowwow Powwow" by Brenda Child (Ojibwe Version)

MNHS Storytime: "The Forever Sky" with Thomas Peacock

#### **Videos for Educators**

Classroom Essentials: Indigenous Peoples' Day with Katrina Phillips

"Grasshopper Girl" | Teresa Peterson

Louise Erdrich's 'The Sentence' explores racial tensions in a divided Minneapolis

Native Minnesota podcast: Poetry and embracing your creative voice with Heid E. Erdrich

Native Minnesota podcast: Telling Native stories with Diane Wilson

Native Voices in Children's Literature

Perpich Native Authors & Artists Series - Allison Waukau

Trailblazing Women Writer: Dawn Quigley

#### Websites

American Indians in Children's Literature

American Indian Library Association

Books are Good Medicine

Hennepin County Library Mni Sota Makoce's Lists Indigenous Reads Rising Medweganoonind Library Minnesota Historical Society Press NDN Girls Book Club Well Read Native

# American Indian, Alaskan Native, First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Owned Book Vendors

This list is intended to be a resource for educators seeking books created by American Indians, it is not intended to promote specific vendors. Educators can review the websites to find books that may be incorporated into their districts, schools, and classrooms. Books are available to be purchased through many vendors, including independent bookstores, and can often be borrowed through your local public library.

\*Indicates a Minnesota vendor

A Tribe Called Geek Books and Comics (Laguna Pueblo)

\*<u>Art Coulson</u> (Cherokee)

\*Birchbark Books (Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians)

\*<u>Black Bears and Blueberries Publishing</u> (Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Ojibwe, Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Ojibwe)

Black Walnut Books (Coastal Miwok, Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo, Southern Pomo)

Books & Burrow (Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma)

Chickasaw Press (Chickasaw)

Choctaw Store (Choctaw)

Eaglecrest Books (Haida)

Eaglespeaker Publishing (Blackfoot, Duwamish)

Goodminds.com (Skownan First Nation)

Great Oak Press (Pechanga Band of Indians)

Green Feather Book Company (Chickasaw)

\*Indigenous First Art & Gift Shop

Indigenous Reflections (Skownan First Nation)

Inhabit Media (Inuit)

Iron Dog Books (Anishinaabe, Nuu-Chah-Nulth, Tsimsian)

Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitióhkwa Language and Cultural Center (Kanien'kehá:ka / Mohawk)

Kegedonce Press (Anishinaabe)

The King's English Book Shop (Cherokee)

Little Spirit Bear Productions (Henvey Inlet First Nation)

Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre Inc. (Anishinaabe, Dakota, Dene, Cree, Oji-Cree)

Massy Books (As'in'i'wa'chi Ni'yaw Nation, Métis)

Paperbacks & Frybread (Lumbee)

Quiet Quail Books (Maara'yam, Kumeyaay)

Sealaska Heritage (Haida, Tlingit, Tsimshian)

Strong Nations (Da'naxda'xw Awaetlala Nation)

Theytus Books (Okanagan)