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**St. Michael's (Duck Lake) Indian Residential School
IAP School Narrative**

NAME IN THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT (Schedule E/F)

St. Michael's (Duck Lake)

OTHER NAMES KNOWN AS (AKAs)

1894 to 1924	Duck Lake Boarding School [SMD-002321; SMD-001265]
1924 to 1969	St. Michael's Indian Residential School [SMD-001270; SMD-000240]
1925	Duck Lake Indian School [SMD-001808-0001]
1925 to 1968	Duck Lake Residential School [SMD- 001539; SMD-003798]
1926, 1995	St. Michael's College [SMD-001477-0001; SMD-000643-0001]
1965 to 1990	Duck Lake Student Residence [SMD-007703; SMD-000048]
1969 to 1996	St. Michael's Student Residence [SMD-000524-0001; SMD-000651-0000]

LOCATION

The St. Michael's IRS was half a mile from the Town of Duck Lake, Saskatchewan, facing the lake of the same name [SMD-002324]. The original site consisted of 100 acres [SMD-001373]. In 1925 a new IRS building was constructed about 1000 yards east of the original St. Michael's IRS [SMD-002995, pg. 2].

PROVINCE/TERRITORY

Saskatchewan

OPERATING DATES AS AN INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

These dates represent the time during which the Government of Canada was responsible for the operation of the Indian Residential School, excluding any periods of closure.

August 1894 to June 30, 1996

OPERATING DATES CONTEXT

The St. Michael's IRS was constructed by the federal government and opened in August 1894 [SMD-001129; SMD-002321, pg. 3, 6]. In September 1982, the operation of the St. Michael's IRS was transferred from the federal government to the control of the Saskatoon District Tribal Council [SMD-000653, pg. 2]. From April 1, 1993, the Grand Council of the Willow Cree assumed responsibility for the operation of the IRS [SMD-000653; SMD-000643-0000; SMD-000643-0001]. The IRS closed on June, 30, 1996 [SMD-016512-0017; MDD-001136].

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION

Roman Catholic Church

- 1894 to 1968 Oblates of Mary Immaculate [SMD-000279; SMD-001691-0000; SMD-010027; SMD-001341-0001, pg. 1; SMD-002995]
- 1895 to 1903 Sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus [SMD-000279; SMD-002322, pg. 3; SMD-002329, pg. 6]
- 1903 to 1968 Sisters of the Presentation of Mary [SMD-02329, pg. 6; IMR-000327, pg.10]

CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THE INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

Date	Event	Document Reference
August 1894	The St. Michael's IRS was built by the federal government and opened in August 1894. The IRS was originally built to house 12 to 14 children, though by July 1896 additions to the buildings were made to accommodate 75 pupils and a full staff.	SMD-001129 SMD-002321, pg. 3, 6 SMD-002322, pg. 5-6
July 6, 1903	The Sisters of the Faithful Companions of Jesus left the IRS. They were replaced by the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary later in 1903.	SMD-002329, pg. 6
1911	Les Reverends Peres Oblats de Marie Immaculee des Territoires du Nord Ouest purchased the St. Michael's IRS land, buildings, cattle and equipment from the federal government and became sole owners of the IRS.	SMD-001362-0001 SMD-001373 SMD-001377 SMD-001380 SMD-002995
January 1912	The federal government and Les Reverends Peres Oblats de Marie Immaculee des Territoires du Nord Ouest signed an agreement for the operation of St. Michael's IRS.	SMD-001211-0001
1924	The Oblates sold the St Michael's IRS land and the IRS buildings back to the federal government.	SMD-001276 SMD-001402-0001 SMD-001405-0000 SMD-001405-0001 SMD-002995, pg. 2
1924 to 1925	The federal government began the construction of a new St. Michael's IRS building in 1924 and it was completed by February 1925, though it was not opened until July 1925. The new IRS building was located approximately 1000 yards east of the original IRS building.	SMD-001808-0001 SMD-002995, pg. 2
May 1926	The original IRS main building constructed in 1894 burned down. The building was not in use at the time, as it was in disrepair and deemed a fire hazard.	SMD-001611 SMD-002995, pg. 3
1944	St. Michael's IRS celebrated its 50 year anniversary.	SMD-002995, pg. 3
1952	In order to relieve overcrowding in the IRS classrooms, the Principal opened another classroom in a Church building approximately 100 yards south of the main IRS building.	SMD-000683
1962	Classrooms at the IRS were reduced from eight to seven. Five classrooms were located in the main IRS building, including one on the top floor.	SMD-002188 SMD-000966

	The other classrooms were described as located in a single room frame structure and at the end of an old building.	
September 1962	The federal government and the Oblate Indian-Eskimo Council (INDIANESCOM) signed an agreement for the operation of the St. Michael's IRS.	SMD-000248
1963	A new classroom block opened at the IRS.	SMD-012021-0000 SMD-002533-0000
1965	Seven classrooms operated for the 1965/66 school year.	SMD-002230
September 1968	The administration of the classrooms and the residence was separated as of September 1, 1968. The Principal became the Administrator of the Student Residence and the Senior Teacher became the Principal of the classroom block.	BAX-000911-0000 BAX-000911-0001
1970s	The Roman Catholic Church provided chaplaincy services to staff and students at the IRS.	SMD-002998-0001 SMD-002999-0001 SMD-003203-0001 SMD-000506 SMD-000145-0002 SMD-000186-0001 SMD-009917-0001
September 1971	By September 1971, only four classrooms were operating in the classroom block.	SMD-155096
1974 to 1975	A Service contract to carry on liaison duties was granted for INDIANESCOM at the St Michael's IRS	SMD-003103
1982	The responsibility for the operation of the St. Michael's IRS was transferred to the Saskatoon District Tribal Council.	SMD-000653, pg. 2
April 1993 to June 1996	Beginning April 1, 1993, the Grand Council of the Willow Cree assumed the responsibility for the operation of the St. Michael's IRS. The IRS lands were given Reserve status under the One Arrow First Nation's Treaty Land Entitlement Agreement of 1993. From 1993 to 1996, St. Michael's College was operated by the Grand Council of the Willow Cree in the renovated St. Michael's IRS building.	SMD-000653, pg. 2 SMD-012197 SMD-012198 SMD-000643-0000 SMD-000643-0001
1996	The IRS closed on June 30, 1996.	SMD-016512-0017 MDD-001136

EDUCATION OF STUDENTS

Grades taught at the Indian residential school

School Years	Grades offered	Document Reference
1894/95	No information found	
1895/96 to 1899/00	Grades 1 to 3	SMD-002322, pg. 6 SMD-002324 SMD-002326, pg. 7
1900/01 to 1901/02	Grades 1 to 4	SMD-002327, pg. 7 SMD-002328, pg. 8
1902/03	Grades 1 to 5	SMD-002329, pg. 10
1903/04 to 1907/08	Grades 1 to 6	SMD-002330, pg. 7 SMD-002333, pg. 7

1908/09	Grades 1 to 5	SMD-002334, pg. 7
1909/10 to 1928/29	Grades 1 to 6	SMD-015044 SMD-015050 SMD-015058 SMD-015066 SMD-015078
1929/30 to 1934/35	Grades 1 to 7	SMD-015084 SMD-015090 SMD-015098
1935/36 to 1936/37	Grades 1 to 6	SMD-015106 SMD-015110
1937/38 to 1938/39	Grades 1 to 7	SMD-015117 SMD-015121
1939/40 to 1940/41	Grades 1 to 8	SMD-015122 SMD-015129
1941/42	Grades 1 to 7, High School	SMD-015130
1942/43	Grades 1 to 8, High School	SMD-015134
1943/44	Grades 1 to 8, Vocational Training	SMD-000593
1944/45	Grades 1 to 7, Vocational Training, High School	SMD-000700
1945/46 to 1947/48	Grades 1 to 8, Vocational Training	SMD-000702 SMD-000709
1948/49 to 1950/51	Grades 1 to 8, High School	SMD-000713 SMD-000721
1951/52	Kindergarten, Grades 1 to 10	SMD-001000
1952/53	Kindergarten, Grades 1 to 11	SMD-016515
1953/54	Kindergarten, Grades 1 to 9, 11	SMD-000900
1954/55	Kindergarten, Grades 1 to 10, 12	SMD-016524 SMD-016525
1955/56	Grades 1 to 8, 11	SMD-016532
1956/57	Grades 1 to 8, 12	SMD-016542
1957/58 to 1961/62	Grades 1 to 8	SMD-016553 SMD-016573 SMD-016593
1962/63	Pre. 1, Grades 1 to 8	SMD-016609

Other Schools Attended by Residents

School Years	Name of School	Location	Administration	Grades	Document
1963/64	Stobart High School	Duck Lake	Stobart Consolidated School District No. 8B	9	SMD-006155 SMD-012209
1964/65	Stobart High School	Duck Lake	Stobart Consolidated School District No. 8B	No information found	SMD-002606
1965/66	Stobart School	Duck Lake	Stobart Consolidated School District No. 8B	7-12	SMD-000963
1967/68	Stobart Public School	Duck Lake	Stobart Consolidated School District No. 8B	Division 1-3	SMD-010426 SMD-003791
1968/69	Stobart School	Duck Lake	Stobart Consolidated School District No. 8B	No information found	SMD-157392
1982/83	Stobart High School	Duck Lake	Saskatchewan Valley School Division No. 49	No information found	SMD-003702

GENERAL ENROLLMENT STATISTICS OVER TIME

School Years	Number of Residents	If applicable, day scholars	Document Reference
1894/95	17	No information found	SMD-002995, pg. 1
1895/96	43	No information found	SMD-002322, pg. 6
1896/97	60	No information found	SMD-002323
1897/98	95	No information found	SMD-002324
1898/99	100	No information found	SMD-002325, pg. 6
1899/00	100	No information found	SMD-002326, pg. 7
1900/01	101	No information found	SMD-002327, pg. 7
1901/02	104	No information found	SMD-002328, pg. 8
1902/03	101	No information found	SMD-002329, pg. 10
1903/04	106	No information found	SMD-002330, pg. 7
1904/05	105	No information found	SMD-002331, pg. 7
1905/06	103	No information found	SMD-002332, pg. 5
1906/07	104	No information found	SMD-002333, pg. 7
1907/08	106	No information found	SMD-002334, pg. 7
1908/09	105	No information found	SMD-002335, pg. 4
1909/10	105	No information found	SMD-002336, pg. 4
1910/11	106	No information found	SMD-002337, pg. 3
1911/12	105	No information found	SMD-002338, pg. 3
1912/13	105	No information found	SMD-002339, pg. 3
1913/14	107	No information found	SMD-002340, pg. 2
1914/15	108	No information found	SMD-002341, pg. 2
1915/16	111	No information found	SMD-002342, pg. 2
1916/17	107	No information found	SMD-002343
1917/18	109	No information found	SMD-002344
1918/19	107	No information found	SMD-002345
1919/20	103	No information found	SMD-002346
1920/21	111	No information found	SMD-002347
1921/22	113	No information found	SMD-002348
1922/23	112	No information found	SMD-002349
1923/24	113	No information found	SMD-002350
1924/25	114	No information found	SMD-002351
1925/26	155	No information found	SMD-002352
1926/27	145	No information found	SMD-002365
1927/28	152	No information found	SMD-002353
1928/29	148	No information found	SMD-002354
1929/30	147	No information found	SMD-002355
1930/31	153	No information found	SMD-002356
1931/32	157	No information found	SMD-002357
1932/33	156	No information found	SMD-002358
1933/34	155	No information found	SMD-002359
1934/35	158	No information found	SMD-002360
1935/36	161	No information found	SMD-002361
1936/37	165	No information found	SMD-002362
1937/38	175	No information found	SMD-002363

1938/39	186	No information found	SMD-002364
1939/40	181	No information found	SMD-015122, pg. 16
1940/41	179	No information found	SMD-015126, pg. 16
1941/42	187	No information found	SMD-015130, pg. 16
1942/43	191	No information found	SMD-015134, pg. 16
1943/44	183	No information found	SMD-000593, pg. 9
1944/45	175	No information found	SMD-002995, pg. 4
1945/46	213	No information found	SMD-000702, pg. 10
1946/47	221	No information found	SMD-000705, pg. 10
1947/48	222	No information found	SMD-000709, pg. 10
1948/49	228	No information found	SMD-000713, pg. 10
1949/50	238	No information found	SMD-000717, pg. 10
1950/51	251	No information found	SMD-000721, pg. 10
1951/52	276	No information found	SMD-000726, pg. 12
1952/53	275	No information found	SMD-000729, pg. 12
1953/54	275	No information found	SMD-016521
1954/55	266	No information found	SMD-016523
1955/56	282	No information found	SMD-016533
1956/57	258	No information found	SMD-016547
1957/58	276	No information found	SMD-016553
1958/59	258	No information found	SMD-016568
1959/60	260	No information found	SMD-016576
1960/61	260	4	SMD-016585
1961/62	254	8	SMD-016594 SMD-016597
1962/63	218	9	SMD-000509, pg. 1 SMD-016612
1963/64	255	252	SMD-000511, pg. 1 SMD-016614
1964/65	227	217	SMD-000858, pg. 1 SMD-016627
1965/66	200	181	SMD-000530, pg. 1 SMD-002798
1966/67	182	169	SMD-000529, pg. 1 SMD-003508
1967/68	170	130	SMD-000522-0001, pg. 1 SMD-003516
1968/69	150	62	SMD-015249, pg. 1 SMD-003523
1969/70	176	39	SMD-000847, pg. 1 SMD-009163
1970/71	146	19	SMD-000850-0001, pg. 1 SMD-009923
1971/72	151	83	SMD-000853, pg. 1 SMD-009934
1972/73	133	No information found	SMD-000845, pg. 1
1973/74	117	No information found	SMD-000489
1974/75	125	No information found	SMD-000411-0001
1975/76	116	No information found	SMD-000410
1976/77	122	No information found	SMD-000488, pg. 1
1977/78	123	No information found	SMD-003620

1978/79	122	No information found	SMD-005922, pg. 1
1979/80	129	No information found	SMD-009900, pg. 1
1980/81	94	No information found	SMD-015317-0003, pg. 1
1981/82	120	No information found	SMD-003333, pg. 8
1982/83	125	No information found	SMD-002995
1983/84 to 1995/96	No information found	No information found	N/A

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

School Years	Special Programs Offered	Document Reference
1898/99	Boys participated in baseball, football, jumping and running. Girls went for walks in summer, and participated in music and singing in winter. There were two playgrounds at the St. Michael's IRS.	SMD-002325
1900/01	Boys participated in cricket and played ball and tops. They also boated and swam on summer evenings. Girls went for walks and picked fruit and flowers.	SMD-002327, pg. 4
1901/02	Boys played football, marbles and checkers. Singing and music was popular with both boys and girls.	SMD-002328, pg. 5
1943/44	Boys participated in the IRS hockey team.	SMD-002813
1945/46	The IRS hockey team won their league championship.	SMD-002822
1948/49	The St. Michael's IRS boys' midget hockey team won the provincial championship. Residents participated in football, softball, and volleyball. The IRS acquired a radio-record player and sound projector.	SMD-001527-0001
1957/58	The boys' bantam C hockey team was a provincial finalist. Pupils participated in track and field, soccer, softball and table tennis. A total of 37 boys participated in Royal Canadian Air Cadets. Other activities included public speaking, an amateur hour, woodworking and home economics.	SMD-000415
1958/59	The boys' midget C hockey team reached the provincial "playdowns." Pupils participated in track and field, intramural soccer, softball and table tennis. A total of 37 boys participated in Royal Canadian Air Cadets. Other activities included public speaking, an amateur hour, home economics and band.	SMD-000971
1959/60	Extra-curricular athletics included bantam and midget level hockey, intramural soccer, softball, baseball, table tennis, badminton, broomball, hockey, and local and provincial-level rifle competitions. Some students travelled to Fort-a-la-Corne and to Battleford for track and field meets. A total of 48 boys participated in Royal Canadian Air Cadets. Other activities included an amateur hour, an oratory contest, woodworking and the IRS band.	SMD-000970
1960/61	A track and field meet that included teams from northern Saskatchewan residential schools was held at St. Michael's IRS. Extra-curricular	SMD-009247-0216 SMD-001720-0007

	activities included hockey, baseball and boxing access to an outdoor rink, roller skates, a television set, a piano, film rentals, games and toys, and magazines.	
1961/62	Extra-curricular athletics included bantam and midget level hockey, a baseball league with Rosthern, intramural soccer, softball, baseball, table tennis, badminton, broomball, curling, and rifle competitions at the dominion at the local and provincial levels. A total of 45 boys participated in Royal Canadian Air Cadets. Other activities included public speaking, woodworking and the IRS band.	SMD-012173-0001
1962/63	Extra-curricular athletics included bantam and midget level hockey, intramural soccer, baseball, softball, table tennis, badminton, broomball, volley ball, curling, and rifle competitions at the dominion at local and provincial levels. A total of 30 boys participated in Royal Canadian Air Cadets. Other activities included public speaking, weekly films and card parties, skating parties, bingo and the IRS band.	SMD-000966
1963/64	A curling rink opened at the IRS.	SMD-010364
1966/67	The Saskatchewan Indian Teachers' Association held a track and field meet at the IRS.	SMD-003514
1967/68	A curling bonspiel was held at the IRS.	SMD-005801
1974/75	Students participated in "all sports" in the house league system, "various leagues" outside the residence as well as weight training and track and field. Cultural activities included Pow Wows, Indian History, and dancing. Other activities included a walkathon, winter carnival, films, record hops and arts and crafts.	SMD-000930
1983/84	Residents participated in area soccer, fastball and volleyball leagues. Boys were part of the atom, peewee, bantam and midget hockey teams. Residents played intramural mixed volleyball and boys' floor hockey. They participated in track and field with local high school teams. St. Michael's residents and adults were part of the badminton club.	SMD-000015

INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Date	Event	Document Reference
1894	The construction of the St. Michael's IRS was completed. The structure was 20 X 40 feet, with a wing that was 19 X 27 feet.	SMD-001129 SMD-002995
1896	A number of additions were completed at the IRS site. The main building, which was originally built to house 12 to 14 pupils, could now accommodate 75 pupils. Additions to the IRS building included a laundry building, a carpenter shop and shoe shop, a wood house, a barn, pig house, poultry house, carriage house, sleigh house, an implement house, meat store room, flour store room and a milk house.	SMD-002322, pg. 3, 5

1907	An extension was added to the main IRS building to provide more dormitory space for the boys. The older boys helped with its construction. The former play room for boys was converted into a band room. Dormitory space for seven Sisters was also added.	SMD-002334, pg. 2-3 SMD-002995
1911	A new large granary and a store house were built. A cellar was built under the bakery. The girl's recreation room was also used as a classroom. Some outbuildings were removed.	SMD-001454, pg. 2
1911	Les Reverends Peres Oblats de Marie Immaculee des Territoires du Nord Ouest purchased the St. Michael's IRS land, buildings, cattle and equipment from the federal government and became sole owners of the IRS.	SMD-001362-0001 SMD-001373 SMD-001377 SMD-001380 SMD-002995
1915	The roof of the main IRS building was made of tin. A senior classroom, middle classroom, junior classroom, girls' recreation room, boys' recreation room, pupil's dining room, kitchen, sisters' community room, sisters' dining room and dispensary were located on the ground floor. The boys' dormitory, girls' dormitory, three infirmaries and isolation rooms, numerous linen cupboards and quarters for male officers were on the first floor.	SMD-001456, pg. 6-7
1924	The Oblates sold the St Michael's IRS property (707.99 acres) and IRS buildings back to the federal government. The Oblates retained ownership of the original IRS building, along with the church and cemetery. Construction began on the new St Michael's IRS building.	SMD-001276 SMD-001402-0001 SMD-001405-0000 SMD-001405-0001 SMD-000001-0000, pg. 115
February 1925	The new main IRS building was completed by February, though the official opening occurred in July.	SMD-001808-0001 SMD-001282 SMD-002995, pg. 2
May 1926	The original St Michael's IRS building burned down.	SMD-001611
1958	Classes for some of the grade 6 to 8 students were held in the back of a former Church.	SMD-000290
June 1963	A new classroom block with a gymnasium and staff quarters opened.	SMD-012021-0000 SMD-002533-0000 SMD-002533-0001 SMD-002533-0002
1967	The buildings at the St. Michael's IRS included the main residence, a detached classroom building containing six classrooms, six dwellings for teaching staff, a garage and various smaller sheds and two older dwellings. The garage was used as a workshop and a vehicle garage. There was also a small one classroom building of wood frame construction located about a hundred feet from the main IRS building.	SMD-000661-0001
September 1971	Only four classrooms were opened in the classroom block.	SMD-155096
March 9, 1979	Significant water damage occurred as a result of a fire in the boys' dormitory in the main IRS	SMD-012138

	building. In response to the fire, the automatic sprinkler system spread 10,000 gallons of water through the building leading to “fairly extensive water damage” on three levels of the IRS building. Because of the smoke and water damage, twenty-four boys were moved to temporarily sleeping quarters in the classroom block gymnasium.	
1981-1982	The classroom block contained six rooms for Grades 1 to 8, taught by five teachers and a teachers’ aid.	SMD-012185 SMD-002995
1986	The land and buildings used by the St. Michael’s IRS were still owned by the federal government.	SMD-012619-0012
1988	The main IRS building had three floors plus a basement, with a face brick on clay tile exterior. The basement of the main IRS building contained a boiler room, water treatment equipment, kitchen, cafeteria, recreation rooms, laundry facilities, and bed rooms. Administration Offices, the chapel, and a classroom/study room were located on the first floor. A nursing station, dentist’s office, dormitories, and bedrooms were located on the second floor. Dorms and bedrooms were location on the third floor. While most pupils slept in dormitories, some slept in smaller semi-private bedrooms.	PAR-003383-0007
1993 to 1996	The IRS lands were given Reserve status under the One Arrow First Nation’s Treaty Land Entitlement Agreement of 1993. From 1993 to 1996, St. Michael’s College was operated by the Grand Council of the Willow Cree in the renovated St. Michael’s IRS building.	SMD-000653, pg. 2 SMD-012197 SMD-012198 SMD-000643-0000 SMD-000643-0001

PHOTOS, PLANS AND LAYOUT

Date	Description	Document Reference
undated	Site plans for the classroom block (referred to as day care); along with the main IRS building basement, first, second and third floors.	SMD-012300-0000 SMD-012300-0001 SMD-012300-0002 SMD-012300-0003 SMD-012300-0004
1924	Diagram of the farm land surrounding St. Michael’s IRS.	SMD-001267-0002
1924	Floor plans of the new St. Michael’s IRS including the architectural drawings, including the basement, the ground floor, the first and second floors.	SMD-000660-0000 SMD-000660-0001 SMD-000660-0002 SMD-000660-0003 SMD-000660-0004 SMD-000660-0005 SMD-000660-0006 SMD-000660-0007 SMD-000660-0008 SMD-000660-0009 SMD-000660-0010 SMD-000660-0011 SMD-000660-0012
1926	St. Michael’s IRS blueprints.	SMD-000550
1952	St. Michael’s IRS blueprints.	SMD-001951-0001
1961	Diagram of 6 classroom block to be constructed.	SMD-012305
1968	St. Michael’s IRS plans for the first floor, second	SMD-012302

	floor, third floor plan, rear elevation, as well as the mechanical and electrical details related to fire code renovations.	
1974	Diagram of the classroom block: 6 classrooms and gymnasium.	SMD-012304
1974	St. Michael's IRS grounds site plan.	SMD-012303
1984	St. Michael's IRS blueprints for the basement, first, second and third floors.	SMD-012309-0002 SMD-012309-0003 SMD-012309-0004 SMD-012309-0005
1990	Photo of the exterior of the IRS.	SMD-098864

DOCUMENTS REFERRING TO SCHOOL INCIDENTS

To date, we are aware of the following convictions and/or guilty pleas concerning abuse at St. Michael's IRS:

2000 A former staff member who worked as a chaplain, child care worker and guidance counsellor at the St. Michael's IRS, from September 1973 to approximately 1992, was convicted of committing acts of gross indecency between September 1986 and December 1987 [SMD-014246; SMD-016700, pg. 37; SMD-000390, pg. 4]

The following suggestions of abuse, listed chronologically, comprise all known identifiable complaints and/or allegations received by government officials and all available information regarding the follow-up and outcome.

Incidents (Sexual)

See above Convictions information

Incidents (Physical)

1984 A child care worker gave a student a spanking for swearing at the other boys [SMD-000391, pg. 291].

A child care worker kicked a student in the buttocks for hitting another student [SMD-000391, pg. 313].

1986 A child care worker "swatted 2 wet rears" for allegedly sliding on the wet floor of the shower room [SMD-000395, pg. 15].

1988 A child care worker spanked a student for soiling pants and hiding them under her mattress [SMD-000382, pg.157].

A child care worker slapped a student for swearing [SMD-000382, pg.188].

1989 A child care worker slapped a student for bothering smaller girls [SMD-000382, pg. 123].

Incidents (Student on Student)

1993 A child care worker wrote that a female student reported she had been sexually abused starting at 5 years of age. The student stated in a written report that she slept with two male pupils [SMD-000384, pg.147].

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1912 Federal health authorities ordered 75 pupils and staff at the IRS to receive small pox vaccinations [SMD-001225; SMD-001224].

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- 1937 A December 1937 federal inspection report indicated that Cree was being taught to pupils through evening classes held at the IRS [SMD-001497-0001].
- 1959/60 Some St. Michael's IRS students travelled to Fort-a-la-Corne and to Battleford for track and field events [SMD-000970].
- 1970 In June and July, 21 male pupils, the IRS Administrator and three other IRS staff members travelled to Ottawa (where they met the Prime Minister) Montreal, Sherbrooke and Toronto (where they visited the hockey Hall of Fame) [SMD-009009; SMD-000910].
- 1978/79 Senior students and IRS teaching staff were invited to visit the Fort George Roman Catholic IRS in Quebec. While the trip was approved, no documents confirming that the trip occurred were found [SMD-012146; SMD-012147-0000; SMD-012147-0002].

PRINCIPALS/ADMINISTRATORS

Name	Position	Tenure Dates
Father Melasippe-Joseph Paquette	Principal	1894 to 1903
Father Ovid Charlebois	Principal	September 1903 to September 1910
Father Victorin Gabillon	Principal	September 1910 to June 1911 June
Father Henri Delmas	Principal	September 1911 to April 1939
Father Georges Marie Latour	Principal	April 1939 to May 1950
Father Geo. Joseph Chevrier	Principal	May 1950 to November 1953
Father Louis Clement Latour	Principal	December 1953 to August 1957
Father Bernet Rollande	Principal	August 1957 to June 1962
Father Antoine Duhaime	Principal / Administrator	September 1962 to December 1968
Father Gilles Gauthier	Administrator	January 1969 to August 1972
Robert Martin	Administrator	August 1972 to March 1973
David Seeseequasis	Administrator	March 1973 to April 1985
Alex Greyeyes	Administrator	April 1985 to August 1986
Gail Hartsook	Administrator	1986 to December 1989
Ray Wanhella	Dean / Administrator	1989 to June 1996

Due the separation of the administration of the residence and the classroom block as of September 1, 1968, the Principal became the Administrator of the Student Residence and the Senior Teacher became the Principal of the classroom block. [BAX-000911-0000; BAX-000911-0001].

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