

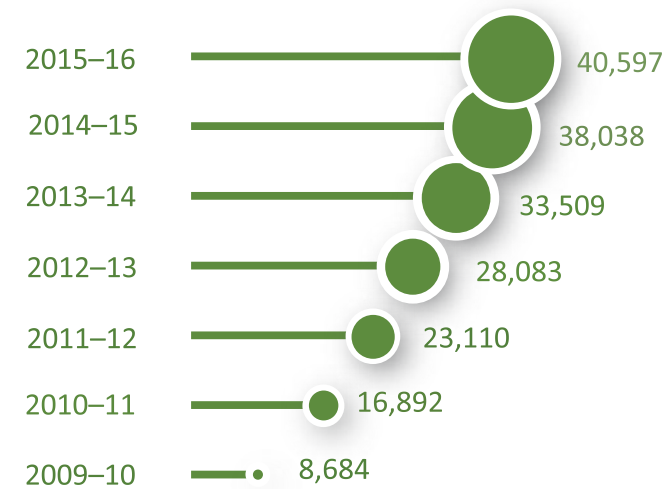
Working Together to Support Indigenous Education in Ontario

The Ministry of Education is committed to working with our partners to continue improving Indigenous student achievement and well-being in Ontario and increasing all students' knowledge and understanding of First Nation, Métis, and Inuit histories, cultures, perspectives, and contributions.

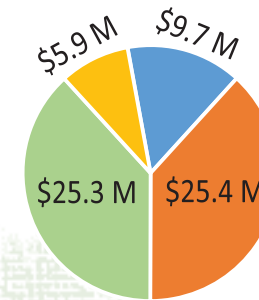
"Education, delivered through residential schools, was the tool for assimilation. It was education that helped to perpetuate the situation we see today for Indigenous Peoples in Canada. We [...] believe that it will be education, again, that will be the tool that best addresses all of that, for education will create knowledge and from knowledge will come understanding. From understanding will come respect – both self-respect for Indigenous people and mutual respect for all."

– The Honourable Justice Senator Murray Sinclair

Year-over-Year Progress in Indigenous Student Self-identification*



Indigenous Education Grant



- Indigenous Languages
- First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Studies
- Per-Pupil
- Board Action Plans

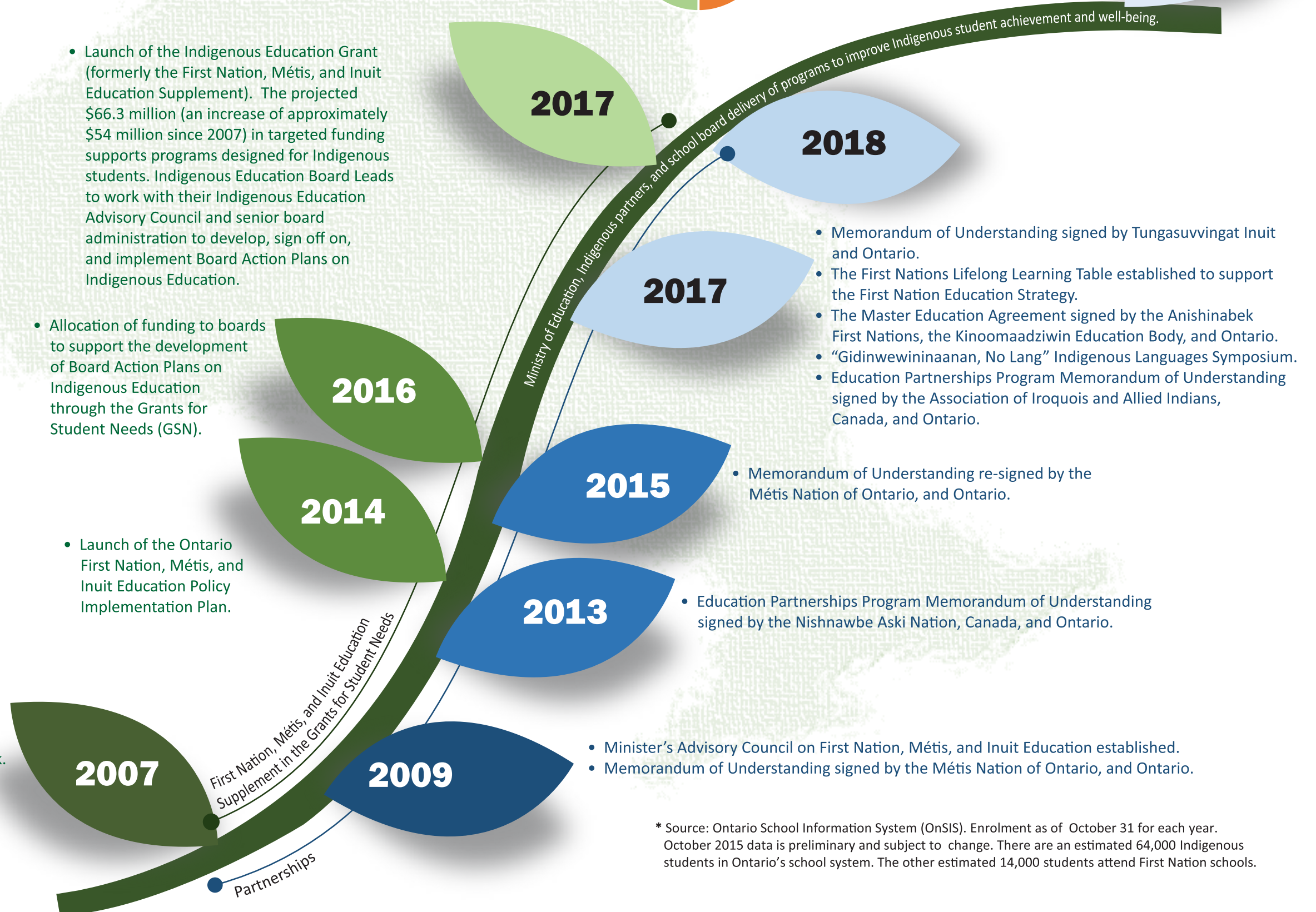
Moving Forward

- Launch of the Indigenous Education Grant (formerly the First Nation, Métis, and Inuit Education Supplement). The projected \$66.3 million (an increase of approximately \$54 million since 2007) in targeted funding supports programs designed for Indigenous students. Indigenous Education Board Leads to work with their Indigenous Education Advisory Council and senior board administration to develop, sign off on, and implement Board Action Plans on Indigenous Education.

- Allocation of funding to boards to support the development of Board Action Plans on Indigenous Education through the Grants for Student Needs (GSN).

- Launch of the Ontario First Nation, Métis, and Inuit Education Policy Implementation Plan.

- Indigenous Education Strategy launched with the release of the Ontario First Nation, Métis, and Inuit Education Policy Framework. Funded through the First Nation, Métis, and Inuit Education Supplement through the Grants for Student Needs.



* Source: Ontario School Information System (OnSIS). Enrolment as of October 31 for each year. October 2015 data is preliminary and subject to change. There are an estimated 64,000 Indigenous students in Ontario's school system. The other estimated 14,000 students attend First Nation schools.