



# Six Nations Advisory Committee

Thursday February 16, 2023

1:00 p.m.

MS Team Virtual Meeting

## AGENDA

- A - 1 **Opening**
- (a) Opening Address
  - (b) Land Acknowledgement Statement
  - (c) Introduction of New Members & Roll Call
  - (d) Declaration of Conflict of Interest
  - (e) Approval of Agenda
  - Recommended that the Agenda be approved with the following additions/deletions:*
  - \* (f) Student Trustee Update
- B - 1 **Business Arising from Minutes and/or Previous Meetings**
- \* (a) Update on decision regarding Community Based Learning Centre location
  - \* (b) Update on implementation of new Terms of Reference
- C - 1 **Approval of Minutes**
- \* *Recommended that the Minutes of the December 8, 2023 meeting be approved with the following revisions:*
- D - 1 **New Business**
- \* (a) Board Action Plan
  - (b) Indigenous Education Team (IET) Office Space
  - (c) Transition Plan Update
  - (d) Mohawk & Cayuga - asynchronous courses
  - (e) Six Nations student engagement – post COVID-19
  - (f) AGM Planning
  - (g) Input to Education Services Agreement
- E - 1 **ESA Staff Roundtable:**
- (a) Updates from each school
- F - 1 **Information Items**
- (a) Indigenous Education Team (IET) Job Postings Update
  - (b) Bylaws, Policies and Procedures Out for Comment
  - \* (c) Virtual Presentation – “Pillar of Belonging” – with Dr. Jean Clinton
- G - 1 **Next Meeting**
- Thursday, March 30, 2023  
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- H - 1 **Closing Address & Adjournment**

## Six Nations Advisory Committee (SNAC)

Effective January 2023

### 1.0 Statement of Purpose and Responsibility

The purpose of the Six Nations Advisory Committee is to

- a) Ensure the educational services purchased through the Education Services Agreement are maintained at a high-quality level; and
- b) To represent the interests of the students from Six Nations of the Grand River Territory enrolled in Grand Erie schools by providing the board appropriate and accurate advice on matters related to their education.

### 2.0 Committee Composition

- a) Six Nations Trustee to the Board
- b) One Trustee of the Board
- c) Six Nations community representative appointed by the Committee
- d) Six Nations Elected Council representative (appointed by SNEC)
- e) Haudenosaunee Confederacy Council representative (appointed by HCC)
- f) Education Services Agreement Native Advisor-Teacher Consultant
- g) Education Services Agreement Native Education Counsellors (3)
- h) Education Services Agreement Community Liaison Worker
- i) GRAND ERIE DSB Principal Leader of Indigenous Education
- j) GRAND ERIE DSB Director of Education and/or Superintendent responsible for Indigenous Education
- k) Indigenous Services Canada Director of Federal Schools and/or designate
- l) GRAND ERIE DSB Indigenous Student Trustee
- m) Kawennio Immersion School representative
- n) Everlasting Tree School representative

Others may be invited to participate as resource members as required by the agenda

### 3.0 Committee Operating Procedures and Scope

The Six Nations Advisory Committee shall:

- 1) Be chaired by the Six Nations Trustee to the Board.
- 2) Hold a minimum of four regular committee meetings during the school year. Dates, times and format (in-person or virtual) to be determined each year by the Committee members. Additional meetings may be called by the Chair on the advice of the Committee.

- 3) In addition to the four regular committee meetings, hold an Annual General Meeting in the Six Nations community, that is open to parents/caregivers, and where information for them is shared and input gathered on programs and services for their children attending Grand Erie schools.
- 4) Maintain standing items on each regular meeting agenda and follow an annual agenda cycle as per appendix #1.
- 5) Advise the Board/board on matters for negotiation on the Education Services Agreement with Indigenous Services Canada, and make recommendations to the GRAND ERIE DSB Director of Education regarding revisions to the Education Services Agreement.
- 6) Receive communication from the Board/board regarding the negotiation updates when the Education Services Agreement is renegotiated or revised.
- 7) Recommend and facilitate formal meetings between Six Nations of the Grand River Territory and the Board as may be necessary.
- 8) Provide direction on the preparation of the Education Services Agreement Annual Report.
- 9) Present the Education Services Agreement Annual Report to the board via the Six Nations Trustee and Native Advisor-Teacher Consultant.
- 10) Present the Education Services Agreement Annual Report to Six Nations Elected Council via the Six Nations Trustee to the Board and Grand Erie DSB Director of Education.
- 11) Make recommendations for presentation to the Director and the Board, as appropriate for the matter, on matters regarding the development and/or implementation of programs and services, facilities, Board policies and special services with respect to students from Six Nations of the Grand River territory enrolled in GRAND ERIE DSB schools.
- 12) Respond to the board on requests for advice and recommendation on any matters which the board may present to the Committee.
- 13) After the normal process for communicating concerns has been exhausted, act as a body for the hearing of concerns from parents/caregivers of students from Six Nations of the Grand River Territory in respect to services provided by the Board covered by the Education Services Agreement and shall advise/make recommendations to the Board or the GRAND ERIE DSB Director, as is appropriate for the matter, regarding resolution to concerns.

14) The Committee shall make decisions by consensus, but may consider other methods of decision-making as may be required from time to time as per appendix #2.

15) Solely hold the right to revisions to these Terms of Reference as required and by formal motion of the Six Nations Advisory Committee, as outlined in the GRAND ERIE DSB Governance Policy.

#### **4.0 Role of the Board/board**

The Board/board shall:

- 1) Receive and support recommendations from the Six Nations Advisory Committee respecting the Education Services Agreement via the GRAND ERIE DSB Director and Six Nations Trustee.
- 2) Seek the advice and recommendations of the Six Nations Advisory Committee when developing new policies and procedures or when amending existing policies of the Board which may affect students from Six Nations of the Grand River Territory that are enrolled in GRAND ERIE DSB schools.
- 3) Provide resource support for the presentation of the Education Services Agreement Annual Report to Six Nations Elected Council.

**Six Nations Advisory Committee  
Grand Erie District School Board  
ANNUAL AGENDA CYCLE**

- 1.0 Openings and Introductions (Address, Land Acknowledgment, Opening remarks, Roll Call)
- 2.0 Approval of Agenda
- 3.0 Indigenous Student Trustee Report
- 4.0 Business Arising from Minutes
- 5.0 Approval of Minutes
- 6.0 New Business
- 7.0 ESA Staff Voice (roundtable)
- 8.0 **[Items from the related agenda cycle below]**
- 9.0 Information Items (Policies open for review)
- 10.0 Closing & Adjournment

**Agenda Cycle–Main topics/meeting with room for additional items as requested**

<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Focus</b>
<b>Meeting #1 (late Sept)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Review SN ESA and SNAC Terms of Reference</li> <li>b) IET Strategic Plan and Budget</li> <li>c) ESA team annual goals &amp; Budget</li> <li>d) Approval of Grand Erie ESA Annual Report –to go to Board as information following this approval</li> <li>f)September interim data report (as per ESA)</li> </ul>
<b>Meeting #2 (December)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Principals Reports</li> <li>b) Six Nations Student Voice Reports</li> <li>c) AGM planning</li> <li>d) SNAC input to ESA</li> </ul>
<b>Meeting #3 (March)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Principal Leader for Ind Ed report</li> <li>b) Recommend outline for ESA Annual Report</li> <li>c) SNAC input to ESA</li> <li>d)March interim data report (as per ESA)</li> </ul>
<b>Meeting #4 (May/June)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) ESA staff year end reports (oral presentation on year’s highlights)</li> <li>b) Graduation information</li> <li>c) Next steps</li> </ul>

**\*An Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held annually in the Six Nations community with focus on parent/caregiver engagement.**

**Participating Members of the Six Nations Advisory Committee (2022-23)**

*Updated January 2023*

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Kawennio Immersion School representative	Vacant		
Everlasting Tree School representative	Vacant		
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**Jeannie Martin** | Six Nations Native Advisor/Teacher

January 30, 2023

Dear Everlasting Tree School,

On behalf of the Grand Erie District School Board, I respectfully invite the Everlasting Tree School board to participate on Grand Erie District School Board's Six Nations Advisory Committee (SNAC). The SNAC is a Board committee mandated in response to the Six Nations community request for a forum that provided for better communication between the Board and community. This invitation is motivated by the Board's commitment to include all community voices to inform the work that we do to support Six Nations students in Grand Erie schools.

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Please advise of your decision regarding this invitation. If a designate is approved, forward their name and email address information to me and I will forward to them this year's meeting date schedule and some background information on SNAC activities. Your consideration of this invitation is appreciated. We look forward to strengthening our working partnership with the common goal of growing Six Nations students' success.

In peace, friendship and respect,

Claudine VanEvery-Albert  
Six Nations Trustee

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**Jeannie Martin** | Six Nations Native Advisor/Teacher

January 30, 2023

Dear Haudenosaunee Confederacy Council of Chiefs,

On behalf of the Grand Erie District School Board, I respectfully invite the Haudenosaunee Confederacy Council (HCC) to designate a representative to sit on Grand Erie District School Board's Six Nations Advisory Committee (SNAC). The SNAC is a Board committee mandated in response to the Six Nations community request for a forum that provided for better communication between the Board and community. This invitation is motivated by the Board's commitment to include all community voices to inform the work that we do to support Six Nations students in Grand Erie schools.

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**Jeannie Martin** | Six Nations Native Advisor/Teacher

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Dear Mr. Anderson,

On behalf of the Grand Erie District School Board, I respectfully invite you to participate on Grand Erie District School Board's Six Nations Advisory Committee (SNAC). The SNAC is a Board committee mandated in response to the Six Nations community request for a forum that provided for better communication between the Board and community. This invitation is motivated by the Board's commitment to include all community voices to inform the work that we do to support Six Nations students in Grand Erie schools.

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**Jeannie Martin** | Six Nations Native Advisor/Teacher

January 30, 2023

Dear Kawenniiio/Gaweniyo School,

On behalf of the Grand Erie District School Board, I respectfully invite the Kawenniiio/Gaweniyo School board to participate on Grand Erie District School Board's Six Nations Advisory Committee (SNAC). The SNAC is a Board committee mandated in response to the Six Nations community request for a forum that provided for better communication between the Board and community. This invitation is motivated by the Board's commitment to include all community voices to inform the work that we do to support Six Nations students in Grand Erie schools.

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Claudine VanEvery-Albert  
Six Nations Trustee

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## Native Advisory Committee

Thursday December 8, 2022

1:00 p.m.

MS Teams Virtual Meeting / Tollgate Technological Skills Centre

### MINUTES

**Chair:**

C. VanEvery-Albert, Trustee

**Community**

A. Powless-Bomberry, Six Nations Elected Council Representative (Virtual)

**Representative(s):**

S. Graham, Six Nations Federal Schools Representative

L. Martin, Six Nations Community Representative

**Trustees:**

E. Thomas, Trustee

**Grand Erie Staff:**

R. Hill-Beauchamp, Community Liaison Worker

Y. Brochu, Principal Tollgate Technological Skills Centre (TTS)

G. Cobb, Principal Pauline Johnson C&VS (PJC)

M. Degroote, Principal Brantford Collegiate Institute (BCI) (Virtual)

K. Graham, Superintendent of Education

R. Malcom, Principal McKinnon Park Secondary School (MPSS) (Virtual)

J. Martin, Native Advisor Teacher Consultant

A. Mitchell, Acting Principal Cayuga Secondary School (CSS)

R. Staats, System Principal Leader Indigenous Education (Virtual)

J. Tice, Indigenous Education Lead Teacher Consultant

M. Turner, Native Education Counsellor

S. Vansickle, Native Education Counsellor

**Organizations/ Agencies:**

Nil

**Absent with Regrets:**

P. Barber, Director of Lifelong Learning Mississaugas of the Credit

J. Benner, Principal Hagersville Secondary School (HSS)

J. Roberto, Director of Education

A. Skye, Indigenous Student Trustee

H. Watts, Education Manager – Six Nations Lifelong Learning Taskforce

S. Williams, Native Education Counsellor

**Recording Secretary:**

D. Fletcher, Executive Assistant

A - 1 **Opening**

(a) **Opening Address**

Native Education Counsellor S. VanSickle provided opening greetings for the Native Advisory Committee (NAC) Meeting.

(b) **Land Acknowledgment Statement**

Superintendent Graham read the Land Acknowledgment statement.

(c) **Introduction of New Members & Roll Call**

Chair VanEvery-Albert welcomed Trustee Thomas to the committee.

(d) **Declaration of Conflict of Interest** - Nil

(e) **Agenda Additions/Deletions/Approval**

The following items were added to the agenda:

- D-1-e Ombudsman In-service
- D-1-f Science & Technology Awards for Youth (STAY) Awards



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## MINUTES

- D-1-g Grade 8 Field Day

The agenda, as amended, was approved by consensus.

### B - 1 Business Arising from Minutes and/or Previous Meetings

#### (a) Community Based Learning Centre Update

Superintendent Graham advised that approval from the Ministry of Education was received on December 7, 2022 to enter into a Lease Agreement for Six Nations Polytechnic (SNP). Students had been at an Ohsweken site since the beginning of September. The goal is to maintain some aspects at the Ohsweken site while working on timing, moving, and connection to the students and program.

The Six Nations Advisory Committee (SNAC) recommended that SNP and Ohsweken be fully explored through a tour of both locations. Community members on SNAC will tour both the SNP and Ohsweken sites proposed and provide feedback on their recommendations for the Nations/NewStart Program.

#### (b) ESA Team Proposed Terms of Reference (ToR) and Agenda Cycle

Native Advisor Teacher Consultant J. Martin reviewed the ToR proposed revisions. It was proposed to change the name of the committee to Six Nations Advisory Committee (SNAC). The proposed Annual Agenda Cycle was reviewed.

The ESA Team Proposed Terms of Reference (ToR) and agenda cycle were approved by consensus.

Meeting dates for the remainder of the 2022-23 school year will be finalized by the Indigenous Education Team and shared with committee members.

#### (c) Principals Report – Format and Frequency

Native Advisor Teacher Consultant J. Martin reviewed the Principal's Report Template and Principal's Cumulative Report. Superintendent Graham will reach out to principals for feedback and perspective.

### C - 1 Approval of Minutes

#### (a) Approval of Minutes – October 13, 2022

Moved by: J. Martin

Seconded by: A. Mitchell

THAT the minutes of the Native Advisory Committee dated October 13, 2022 be approved.

**Carried**

### D - 1 New Business

#### (a) Language Program

System Principal Leader Indigenous Education R. Staats referred to the PowerPoint Presentation and provided highlights for Native Language Initiatives.

She also provided a brief update on the GrEAT Conference, Provincial Leads Gathering/Grad Coach Gathering, Kanien'kéha Circle Updates, Speaker Series – Learning from the Land and Indigenous Knowledge, Perspectives, and Histories, Indigenous Student Hub and December activities.



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- (b) **Indigenous Education Team Office – Space Updates** -Deferred
- (c) **Principals Professional Committee** -Deferred
- (d) **Student Trustee Update** – Nil
- (e) **Ombudsman Inservice** -Deferred
- (f) **The S.T.A.Y. Awards** -Deferred
- (g) **Grade 8 Field Day** -Deferred
- E - 1 **Other Business**
  - (a) **Bylaws, Policies, Procedures Out for Comment**  
There are currently no policies out for review.
  - (b) **OPSBA (Ontario Public School Boards' Association) Update** -Deferred
- F - 1 **Next Meeting**  
Thursday, February 16, 2023, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- G - 1 **Adjournment**  
Trustee VanEvery-Albert adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m.
- H - 1 **Closing Address**  
Indigenous Education Lead Teacher Consultant J. Tice gave the closing address.

## Six Nations/MCFN Grade 9 Registrations

September 2023

(as of January 27, 2023)

	ECG	JCH	ILT	OMS	ETS	KAWENNIO	LSK	Total
BCI	2	3	2	11			3	21
CSS	0	0	1	0				1
HSS	0	1	2	3			5	11
MPSS	7	16	30	7				60
PJ	6	0	0	0				6
TTSC	0	0	1	0				1
ACS	1	17	0	4			7	29
STEAM	1	2	3	2				8
KAWENNIO	1	0	1	0				2
UNKNOWN	2	2	1	5				10



**Intermediate Transition Plan**  
**Grades 7 – 9 for**  
**Six Nations & Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation**  
 (revised February 2023)

The Grand Erie District School Board recognizes that transition from elementary to secondary school is a time of uncertainty and opportunity. It is our goal to support and prepare students by providing programs and experiences within a caring and inclusive learning environment. **Please note: transition activities for students going into self-contained program are highlighted in teal blue.**

*Grand Erie will follow the direction of Public Health during the scheduling and delivery of all activities and events indicated on the Intermediate Transition Timeline. Although Grand Erie would prefer a face-to-face delivery for these events, we recognize that some may occur in an alternate format.*

**INTERMEDIATE & LEARNING RESOURCE TEACHERS**

Activity	Date	Details
✓ Transitions In-Service with Intermediate and Learning Resource Teachers	September 28, 2023 11:00-3:00	Transitions 'in-service' provided to Six Nations/MCFN Grade 7 & 8 teachers and Learning Resource Teachers to review the transition plan and all necessary information to build capacity around transitions to Grand Erie secondary schools.

**GRADE 7**

Activity	Date	Notes
✓ The Right Fit & Passport Event	October 24, 2022 11:00-3:00 Ohsweken Community Hall & Dajoh	Grand Erie staff will facilitate the <i>Right Fit</i> presentation to Grade 7 classes and Big Six secondary schools facilitate information activities to fill student 'passports'.
✓ Secondary School 'Exploration' Activities	January	Grand Erie staff share the "Secondary School Exploration" Activity series and provide delivery support to Grade 7 teachers as requested.
Intermediate Classroom Lunch & Learns	March-April	Grand Erie staff and students facilitate transitions 'snack & learns' at the SN/MCFN schools as requested.  <b>Secondary students to share.</b> <b>GEDSB team can utilize digital resources and videos previously created for sessions.</b> <b>Prep and information sheet to hand out in the folders.</b> <b>Ask teachers to gather several questions they have for the secondary team.</b>



Attend IPRC meetings for those Grade 7 students who may benefit from a secondary school self-contained program	April/May	Grand Erie Program Coordinator for Specialized Services and the Native Advisor attend the IPRC meetings for those Grade 7 students who may be recommended for self-contained placement in secondary school
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## GRADE 8

✓ Grade 8 Day @ chosen secondary school	November 2, 2022	Grade 8's visit the secondary school of their choice for <i>Secondary School Information presentation, school tour, staff meet &amp; greet, etc.</i>
✓ Grade 8 & 9 Pathway Opportunities Presentations	November/December	Invitation to SN/MCFN schools to the Pathways Speakers Series (Student Success). There will be pre and post activities sent to teachers for each pathway, connected to myBlueprint and Edge Factor
✓ Grade 8 Transition meetings w/teachers	December 12-16, 2022	Grand Erie staff and each Grade 8 teacher meet to complete Grand Erie Student Profile template for each of the students.
Self-contained recommendations meeting	December 5, 2022, 10:00-12:00	Grand Erie Specialized Services staff meet with the Six Nations Special Education Lead to review the needs of the students being recommended for self-contained placements in Grade 9.
✓ Registration Packages sent	January 6, 2023	Registration Package containing all Big Six forms will be sent digitally to Six Nations & MCFN schools
Registration packages due	February 8, 2023	Completed registration packages should be submitted directly to Sandra Graham, Six Nations Transitions Lead, to track, verify completion and submit to respective Grand Erie secondary school.
Grade 8 Parent meetings	March 6, 7, 8	Grand Erie school staff meet with individual Grade 8 student and parent to address questions and concerns regarding their child's transition to secondary school.  <b>GEDSB school staff participate in meetings</b>
EPIC Jobs Event	May 24, 2023	SN/MCFN Grade 8s will be invited to participate in the event. Plan is to pair up SN/MCFN Grade 8s with their secondary school peer classes. Bussing, etc covered by Grand Erie.

Grade 8 IPRC meetings for those going into secondary school self contained program	April/May	The student's secondary school LRT and/or designate will attend the IPRC meetings for those Grade 8 students whose placements are confirmed at their school. It is recommended the school's Native Education Counselor or the Native Advisor attend as well.  <b>GEDSB school staff participate in these meetings</b>
Grade 8 Shadow day	June 6, 2023	Grade 8 students attend their secondary school to experience "life as a secondary school student".  <b>GEDSB schools plan activities for grade 8's visiting their schools. Ind Ed Team will reimburse school for lunch provided to gr 8's. Ind Ed team will organize and fund transportation for gr 8's</b>
School based transition visits for self-contained programs	May/June	Transition visits will be organized by school based staff based on individual student needs.  <b>GEDSB school staff organize these activities</b>

## GRADE 9

Pre-registration day	Week before school start	<b>Hosted by various schools</b>
Grade 9 BBQ	Late August/Early September	<b>Hosted by various schools</b>

## GRAND ERIE TRANSITION PLAN 2022-23 At-A-Glance

Key: **Grade 8** **Grade 7** **Self Contained program**

SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN
<b>Sept 28</b> Grade group meeting presentations	<b>Oct 24</b> Gr 7: Right Fit & Passport event	<b>Nov 2</b> Gr 8 Day at Big 6 Schools	<b>Pathway Opportunities presentations</b>	<b>Distribute Exploration Activities</b>
			<b>Dec 12-16</b> Gr 8 Teacher transition meetings	
			<b>Dec 5</b> Gr 8 self contained recommendations meeting	
FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE
<b>Feb 8, 2023</b>		<b>Apr 11</b>	<b>May 18</b> Haldimand	<b>June 6</b>

Reg forms due to Sandra		Gr 7 tours of Haldimand schools	Grade 8 Cohort field day	Gr 8 Shadow Day
Self contained placement offerings confirmed	Lunch & Learns Lunch & Learns	<b>April 13</b> Gr 7 tours of Brantford schools	<b>May 24</b> Brantford Grade 8 Cohort field day  EPIC Jobs Event	
<b>Feb 27, 28, March 1</b> Gr 8 student/parent meetings		Lunch & Learns Lunch & Learns  Gr. 7 IPRC meetings	Gr 8 Student Profiles updated & shared to NECs	
		Gr 8 IPRC meetings	Self Contained transition activities	



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**Thursday Feb. 23, 2023**  
**From 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.**

# Pillar of Belonging

**With Guest Speaker**  
**Dr. Jean Clinton**



When our children and young people have a deep sense of belonging and connection, it is a positive state for learning and well-being. Let's look at the conditions that create that connection both in school and at home.

**About Dr. Jean Clinton** BMus MD FRCP(C),  
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*She has been a consultant to children and youth mental health programs, child welfare, and primary care for over 30 years. Her special interest lies in brain development, and the crucial role relationships and connectedness play. Dr. Clinton has also authored her first book, *Love Builds Brains* which can be ordered online through Tall Pines Press, on Amazon and in book stores everywhere.*

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