



THOMPSON RIVERS UNIVERSITY



TRU INDIGENOUS EDUCATION

SMUDGING LOCATION

THIS ROOM WILL BE USED AS A SMUDGING LOCATION

Smudging is an Indigenous tradition which involves the burning of sweetgrass, sage and/or cedar. Sage smudge produces a very strong and distinct aroma but the smoke associated with it is minimal and lasts a very short time. Sweetgrass has a very mild aroma and produces even less smoke than sage. A smudge is burned primarily for purification and to help to create a positive mind set. Tobacco may be used in a smudge or pipe ceremonies as well.

Under the **Province of British Columbia's "Tobacco Control Act (1996) Section 2,"** accommodations are made for the burning of tobacco and other substances for ceremonial purposes in traditional Indigenous cultural activities. **Thompson Rivers University** has recognized that smudging and pipe ceremonies are a part of the Indigenous traditional way of life and are therefore permitted on campus.

For more information contact Facilities at 250-828-5388 or Security at 250-828-5033

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