Overview of the PEI Heritage Education Kit Pilot Project:

Education Kit: The Edu-Kits are a pilot project to promote the new integrated curriculum for grades 1-3 across Prince Edward Island. Each grade has three kits with artifacts, lesson plans, and accompanying material that link multiple academic disciplines to heritage in an entirely new way.

The Edu-Kit team has prided themselves in ensuring that every lesson plan and accompanying materials fit the new curriculum outcomes.

Teachers can access these kits by borrowing them from a community Museum for one week.

<u>Education Kit Website:</u> The website is the hub for everything you need to teach with the education kit. Each kit contains artifacts for three different curriculum based lesson plans.

Please read through each lesson plan before use as some have accompanying materials, such as Google Slides, multimedia, and worksheets. All accompanying materials are linked within the lesson plan, and available on the website.

The "Extra Resources" page provides activities such as: worksheets, food-lab creations, arts and crafts, cultural colouring sheets, and multimedia. These resources are separate from the lesson plans offered on the website and available at any time.

How to use the PEI Heritage Education Kit:

These Edu-Kits are an experience for the students, and this guide will ensure you understand how to navigate through the material and artifacts.

Step 1: These kits are available in each County of Prince Edward Island. Please call your local museum to check the availability of the Education Kit:

- Kings County:
 - Morell Library Headquarters, 89 Red Head Rd, Morell,
 Phone the Collections Facility to reserve: (902) 368-6295
 - Please Note: The Library headquarters is a pick-up location only.
- Queens County:
 - Collections Facility, 77 Watts Charlottetown Business Park
 Phone to reserve: (902) 368-6295
- Prince County:
 - Eptek Art & Culture Centre, 130 Heather Moyse Drive, Summerside Phone to Reserve: (902) 888-8373

Please note:

- Please feel free to call and ask to extend your time with the kit if there are not multiple requests waiting for the kit.
- The teacher who borrowed the kit is responsible for ensuring all forms are filled out correctly and artifacts are returned.
- We also understand the time constraints and distances to travel to access these kits. Please get in touch with the Collections Facility at (902) 368-6295 to discuss possible arrangements.

Step 2:

- A. Once you have the kit, go to the PEI Museum and Heritage Foundation website at: http://www.peimuseum.ca.
- B. Then select "Education Resources" at the bottom of the options on the left-hand side of the screen.
- C. On this page, you will see "Orwell Corner Historic Village Curriculum Based Programs," and our Education Kit Google Site link under it

sites.google.com/view/peiheritageeducationkits/home

Step 3: Go through the website to know how to use the education kit, artifacts, and choose the best lesson plan for your purposes.

To open documents, run your mouse over the desired material and click on the black box in the right-hand corner of the screen. The website has everything you need to know about the artifacts to conduct a class, such as:

Under the **How to Use tab** you will find:

- A. How to use the Education Kit.
- B. How to Unpack & RePack Artifacts
- C. How to use the Artifacts
- D. How to use the Corresponding Artifacts & Narration Slides
- E. Lost / Broken Artifact Form
- These documents are a starting point for teachers to ensure they know how to properly use a kit as well as the artifacts within them.

Under the Lesson Plan tab, you will find:

- A. <u>Unit Plans:</u> The unit plans provide two or three lesson plans that build upon each other to create an end project over a few classes.
- B. <u>Individual Lesson Plans, Corresponding Artifacts and Narrations:</u>
 There are three individual lesson plans provided for each grade that can be completed in one class. Each lesson plan follows the new integrated curriculum and artifacts related to the said lesson plan.
 - The Corresponding Artifacts & Narrations are formatted within Google Slides that provide the history for each artifact as well as prompting questions to ask students after you have handed out the artifacts.
- C. <u>Lesson Plan Slides</u>: The slides only correlate with these lesson plans:
 - Grade 1: Museum of Self
 - Grade 2: Sustainability Lesson plan
 - Grade 3: Provincial Identities & Cultures

• Feel free to adapt the slides, but please download them before making changes as it will change the originals.

Under the Extra Resources tab, you will find:

- A. Activities
- B. Multimedia
- These resources are separate from the provided lesson plans and can be used at any time.
- **Step 4:** Now that you have decided which lesson plan and activity you want to do with your class, please review that are available in the "How to" tab:
 - A. "How to Unpack & RePack Artifacts"
 - B. "How to use Artifacts"
 - C. "How to Use the Corresponding Artifacts & Narration Slides"
 - D. "Lost or Broken Artifact Form"
 - Please review these documents regardless if you chose to use a provided lesson plan or not.
- **Step 5:** Take the kit to class and hand out the artifacts to your students, then go through the lesson plan!
- **Step 6:** Before returning the kit to the museum, please ensure all artifacts have been placed back into the kit by filling out the "Artifact Checklist" and initialling the form that is available in the kit.
- **Step 7:** If an artifact is lost or broken during a session due to being dropped or rough handling, please fill out the 'Broken or Lost Artifact" form available in the "How to Use" tab on the website. This form allows us to replace the artifact as soon as possible. There is no charge or consequence of this event.
- **Step 8:** Please provide feedback! Let us know about your experience with the education kit at heritageeducationkits@gmail.com