

Indigenous-specific, trauma-informed childcare facility being built in Colwood ^[1]

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Much-needed child-care spaces are now under construction in Colwood with an opening date slated for the winter of 2025.

Construction kicked off with a ceremony to bless the grounds of Colwood Elementary School on Monday.

The new childcare centre will soon become the very first Indigenous-specific, trauma-informed child care facility in the Capital Region.

There will be 48 spaces spread out between infant, toddler and three to five-year-olds. There will also be 25 before and after school care spaces available.

"We're hoping to have Indigenous children access this so it's a safe environment for them to grow and flourish and then go on to the school system," said Kendra Gage, executive director of the Hulitlan Family and Community Services Society, which will be running the centre.

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