

Asked by:

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Community Based Post-Secondary Education Programs

My questions are for the Minister of Education, Culture and Employment. There are many challenges Tłıchǫ residents face if they want to pursue post-secondary education. Aurora College has a presence in each of the Tłıchǫ communities through the Adult Education Learning Centers, but these centers do not deliver Aurora College diploma programs. If Tłıchǫ people were provided the opportunity to become a teacher, a social worker or even a nurse through remote learning centers, Tłıchǫ residents could remain in their community while working towards an education that results in long-term employment in their home community.

1. To date, how much money has the Government of the Northwest Territories spent on relocation costs to hire non-Northwest Territories residents for employment in schools within the last five years;
2. Since 2018, how many northerners have graduated from Aurora College diploma programs in nursing, education and social work;
3. How many people in the Northwest Territories have a grade 12 education and are on income support;
4. Can the Minister provide data, showing how many Indigenous teachers, social workers and nurses are in the Northwest Territories; and
5. When will Aurora College complete the report on the teacher and social work program, and open doors to students?