

partnership in action

Anishinabek Employment and Training Services (AETS) celebrated its grand opening early this summer in the Waverley Community Hub, and also completed its Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Pawgwasheeng (Pays Plat First Nation) this past fall. Another successful year was reported at the AGM, which included delivering continuing education and training to employment programs at the same time as implementing Pre-Apprenticeship Training Programs in the areas of Construction Craft Worker and Carpentry as well as a variety of other Skills Partnership Fund training programs.

The new national Indigenous Skills and Employment Training (ISET) Program builds on what was successful about the earlier program, and now includes:

- new distinctions-based strategies and funding streams that will help meet the unique needs of First Nations, Métis, Inuit and urban/non-affiliated Indigenous people;
- greater focus on the full continuum of skills development, from essential skills to skills upgrading;
- greater flexibility for Indigenous organizations to design programming to meet the needs of their people and communities;
- reduced administrative burden; and
- increased funding to support predictable and stable training and skills development over the next 10 years.

AETS continues to fund the delivery of a variety of training to employment services, including the G1 and G2 Driver's License program and an upcoming class in Personal Support Worker Training and Conversational French preparation training for future Flight Attendants. There will also be two new Pre-Apprenticeship Programs delivered in the new-year including another General Carpenter and Drywall-Acoustic-Lathing Applicator training program.

AETS is also offering free high school credits and a credit-granting process for mature students to obtain credit for prior learning. Check out the website at www.aets.org/education for more information. These continuing education services include Independent (Grade 9-12) Study Courses and scheduled Summer 2020 Grade 11 Fishing, Medicines, Crafts &

Canoe Trip and Fall 2020 Grade 11 Moose & Wild Rice Camps options and/or Grade 11/12 English courses. AETS will also offer a two week non-academic credit Indigenous Entrepreneurship Course early in 2020 for those who are unemployed or underemployed, as well as an academic credit Fall 2020 Aboriginal Youth Entrepreneurship program.

Another program is the Dinowigehmin – Aboriginal Leadership Program (ALP), which plans to start up in January 2020 and designed to contribute to the participant's cultural, spiritual, mental, physical and emotional wellbeing. Check out website at www.aets.org/alp for more information and the varied guest speakers for this years class. Please contact AETS to discover how we can assist with your leadership interests.

In the next newsletter and on behalf of the AETS Board of Directors and Staff, I will be able to share more about an updated strategic plan. In the meantime, AETS will continue to ensure the best possible education to training to employment delivery of programs and services.

Please visit our website at www.aets.org for more details on how we can assist you or feel free to drop by in person to the Waverley Community Hub at 285 Red River Road on weekdays from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm or call us at (807) 346-0307. Some of the AETS Staff contacts available to connect with include, but not exclusive to the Elder in Residence, Employment Officer, High School Teacher, Job Development Officer, Life Skills Officer and Project (Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program) Co-ordinator.

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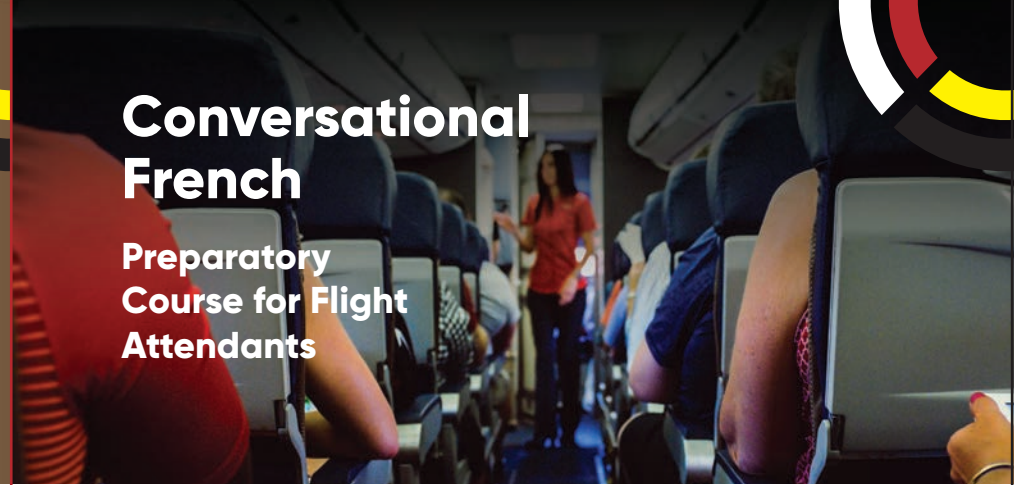
City Manager Norm Gale (centre), learns about the new partnership between the Library and AETS. Also pictured, John DeGiacomo, Executive Director, AETS (left) and John Pateman, Chief Librarian/CEO (right).

Personal Support Worker Training



Conversational French

Preparatory Course for Flight Attendants



Anishinabek Employment and Training Services through Employment and Social Development Canada, Skills and Partnership Fund is pleased to offer the Personal Support Worker training in a 26 week specialized training program.

Entry level opportunities for graduates of this program is work within the Health care sector in hospitals, long term care facilities, and other providers as Personal Support Workers.

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► Program Includes:

- 3 weeks Life skills beginning February 10, 2020 (weekdays).
- 23-week compressed PSW training program beginning March 2, 2020 in partnership with Confederation College.
- Including 3 community training placements for hands-on skills development.
- Providing theory, labs, project assignments and field world experience.
- Confederation College Certificate of Achievement upon successful completion.
- Elder and cultural supports provided.
- Tuition, books, supplies, travel, meals and accommodations supports provided (if required).

► Admission Requirements:

- 18 years of age.
- Grade 12 Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent.
(i.e.: Mature Student Assessment, General Education Development Test (GED), ACE Credits.)
- Required: Grade 12 English (C/U) level
- Criminal reference Vulnerable Persons
- Up to date immunizations per program requirements

**Application Deadline:
January 20, 2020**

Anishinabek Employment and Training Services through Employment and Social Development Canada, Skills and Partnership Fund is pleased to offer the Conversational French for Flight Attendants 27 week specialized training program.

Entry level opportunities for graduates of this program is work with the Aviation sector as Flight Attendants, Ticket Agents and Ground Crew or advancement into related post-secondary training.

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► Program Includes:

- 3-week Life skills component begins March 2, 2020 (weekdays).
- 24-week Formal Classes begin March 23, 2020.
- Conversational French and field world experience.
- Confederation College "Recognition of Completion" and related certifications upon completion.
- Successful graduates can be offered positions with Air Canada Jazz.
- Elder and cultural supports.
- Tuition, training and allowance supports.

► Admission Requirements:

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**Application Deadline:
February 7, 2020**



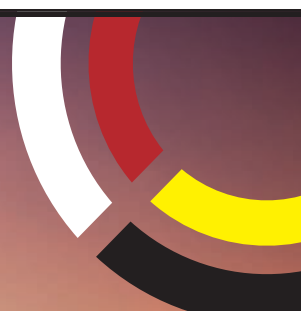

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Anishinabek Employment and Training Services (AETS) with Biigtigong Nishnaabeg: Endzhi-gkinoohmaading Private High School is offering free credit course(s) leading to an Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

Apply today for these courses:

Fall 2019 Grade 11/12 Land-Based Credit Course IDC30/IDC40 (Moose & Wild Rice Camps)

- Includes Hunter's Education and Canoe Certification.
- Available support(s) may include:
 - Career & guidance supports
 - Meals & transportation assistance
 - Elder in Residence supports.

Application Deadline:
Friday September 6, 2019

Start Date:
September 20, 2019

Independent Grade 9-12 Study Courses

- Classes from September 2019-June 2020
- Thunder Bay north or south locations
- Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)

(A formal evaluation and credit-granting process for mature students to obtain credits for prior learning.)

Apply Today!

Grade 11/12 English ENG3C/ENG4C (Online)

- Classes from October 15-December 19, 2019 (10 weeks)

Application Deadline:
Tuesday October 8, 2019

AYEP Program NEW!
(Aboriginal Youth Entrepreneurship Program)
Course Credit

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