



## Energizing the future through education



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When Cameco announced a new northern Saskatchewan scholarship in March this year, we expected a lot of applications. With more than 70 bright, young applicants from all across Saskatchewan's north, our expectations were surpassed.

We're delighted to help 15 students begin their new school year in post-secondary institutions in Saskatchewan. Their fields of study are as diverse as they are and this year's recipients come from all across the north. Many of this year's recipients have expressed a goal of using their education and degrees to contribute to their home community:

**2018 Northern Saskatchewan Scholarship Recipients**

- Robin Augier**: Bachelor of Science, Nursing, University of Saskatchewan
- Dawn Janvier**: Bachelor of Education, First Nations University of Canada
- Lauren Hansen**: Bachelor of Education, Northlands College
- Morgan Hansen**: Bachelor of Social Work, Northlands College
- Angel Laliberte**: Integrated Resource Management, Sask Polytechnic
- Kiana Durocher**: Bachelor of Science, Nursing, Northlands College
- Mackenzie Yole**: Bachelor of Science, Lakeland College
- Callie Chartier**: Bachelor of Science, University of Regina
- Ashley Stratton**: Bachelor of Science, University of Saskatchewan
- Max Wolkosky**: Bachelor of Geology, University of Saskatchewan
- Dustin Dorian**: Construction Management, Sask Polytechnic
- Kiara Calladine**: Bachelor of Science, Statistics, University of Saskatchewan
- Megan Nivon**: Bachelor of Geological Engineering, University of Saskatchewan
- Damien Georges**: Bachelor of Science, Agriculture, University of Saskatchewan
- Mathias Ballantyne**: 3rd Class Power Engineering, Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technology

*"I love my community and would love to be a part of helping it thrive."*

*"Upon completion I plan to teach in northern Saskatchewan. I would like to teach the youth about communities and our culture."*

*"When I am finished my post-secondary education, my goal is to move back to my hometown and help the Métis Nation protect and sustain the land."*

Cameco is committed to making a positive, long-term difference in local communities. The **Cameco Northern Saskatchewan Scholarship** is one of the many ways in which we do so. Based on the goals they've described, it's apparent that many of these students are equally committed to making a positive difference back in their home communities. Congratulations to each of you; we wish you every success in your studies.



*Rick Robillard (left) is helping CanNorth Environmental Services with water sampling, part of a monitoring program that will help northern communities better understand their food and diet.*

## Food & diet the focus of monitoring program



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For over 17 years, the former Athabasca Working Group environmental monitoring program was in place across the Athabasca Basin. This program has been a big success, routinely demonstrating that samples collected nearby the Athabasca communities are not influenced by the active uranium mining and milling operations in the region.

Moving forward, the Athabasca Joint Engagement and Environment subcommittee (AJES) has agreed to a change in the monitoring program – which will focus on a single community per year to conduct a dietary food survey and associated monitoring.

The benefit of this program is that the communities will have a specific, focused study that reflects what they eat, how much they eat and the general location of where their food comes from. Accompanying the dietary survey will be a sampling program which will collect and test water, fish and wildlife samples from areas identified by community members.

The program, called *the Community Based Environmental Monitoring*

*Program (CBEMP)*, is currently being conducted in Black Lake and Stony Rapids in 2018. The program is conducted under CanNorth Environmental Services with significant support from the Black Lake/Stony Rapids Community Liaison, Rick Robillard.

To date, 140 people from Black Lake and Stony Rapids have been interviewed for the study and samples will be collected into the fall of 2018. The results from CBEMP are anticipated for release in early 2019.

AJES is an environmentally focused subcommittee formed under the Ya' Thi Néné Collaboration Agreement and is comprised of seven representatives. One representative from each of the First Nations of Black Lake, Hatchet Lake and Fond du Lac, one representative of the Athabasca communities (Uranium City, Camsell Portage, Stony Rapids and Wollaston Lake) the executive director of the Ya' Thi Néné Lands and Resource Office, one representative from Cameco and one representative from Orano.