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NLC Council of Community Education Committees Hosts Free Workshop Series

Slave Lake, Alberta (February 19, 2021): Over the course of the winter and spring, the NLC Council of Community Education Committees (CCEC) is hosting a series of online workshops and training opportunities, free of charge, to community members throughout the Northern Lakes College service region.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions on gatherings, the CCEC has adopted an alternative format for their annual workshop, which is usually a two-day event hosted for its members in one of the College's many communities. Switching to an online format also means that they can open participation to community members across the service region. Responding to the unique needs of the region, the CCEC is sponsoring over 17 learning opportunities.

In partnership with ACHIEVE Centre for Leadership, a series of workshops focusing on leadership, workplace culture, conflict, and communication will be of interest to leaders and employees alike, and those working in the volunteer sector. The series includes workshops such as Mental Health Awareness and Support, Stress Management, and Trauma-Informed Leadership. These interactive workshops will include guest participation therefore seats are limited. Register early!

Teaming up with Kendal Netmaker, the founder and CEO of Saskatoon-based Neechie Gear, author of *Driven to Succeed*, and a leading Canadian entrepreneur, participants can enjoy one-hour workshops such as Indigenous Economic Development and Prosperity and Storytelling Secrets: Speak Like a Leader. From the Sweetgrass First Nation in Saskatchewan, Kendal speaks professionally to thousands of people each year. He is on a mission to empower entrepreneurs and leaders by demonstrating that, regardless of where you come from and what you have gone through in your life, you have the power to enact change.

Northern Lakes College President & CEO, Glenn Mitchell, comments, "The Council of Community Education Committees plays a key role at Northern Lakes College. They are the indelible link between the College and the communities we serve. Capacity-building through key educational initiatives, such as this workshop series, ensures community members throughout the NLC service region have the opportunity to develop the skills required to participate in Alberta's recovering economy."

For more information or to register in these and other sessions offered by the CCEC, visit www.northernlakescollege.ca/ccec.

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