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## **NLC CELEBRATES FOX CREEK CAMPUS GRAND OPENING**

***Fox Creek, Alberta (August 24, 2022):*** A grand opening and open house event on Wednesday, August 24 celebrated the opening of the Northern Lakes College Fox Creek Campus.

The event opened with special guest remarks provided by Mr. Arnold Viersen, Member of Parliament for Peace River – Westlock; Mayor Sheila Gilmour, Town of Fox Creek; Councillor Ryan Ratzlaff, MD of Greenview; Ms. Elizabeth Gedcke, President, Northern Lakes College Students' Association; and Dr. Glenn Mitchell, President & CEO.

"We are excited to partner with the Town of Fox Creek to increase access to post-secondary education in the community. The NLC model provides opportunities for community members to engage in training and further education at home, so that they do not need to leave the community. If citizens can train close to home, they are more likely to work close to home and contribute to the local economy. We are eager to grow existing and new partnerships with community organizations, business, and industry. We look forward to meeting your particular training needs, so that your organizations can thrive, and in turn the community thrives," comments Dr. Glenn Mitchell, President & CEO, Northern Lakes College.

"Northern Lakes College has a successful delivery model that allows students to obtain their education while staying in their home community. We bring the courses and programs to them - at home, work, their local campus, or wherever they may be. This allows students to benefit from the family and community supports they have built throughout their lives," comments Mr. Barry Sharkawi, Chair, Northern Lakes College Board of Governors.

Following the ribbon-cutting, attendees enjoyed refreshments and an opportunity to visit the campus and familiarize themselves with College programs and services.

Northern Lakes College opened the doors of the new campus in the winter of 2021. The grand opening event was postponed to a time when the community could attend.

A distance learning college, Northern Lakes College provides the most accessible and flexible educational opportunities through innovative delivery. Utilizing its unique Supported Distance Learning (SDL) model, NLC assists 5,000 students annually to continue their education, improve their employment opportunities, and enhance their quality of life. Committed to its communities in northern Alberta and to its students, wherever they may be, NLC collaborates with business, industry, and other post-secondary institutions to benefit students and communities. Explore at [www.northernlakescollege.ca](http://www.northernlakescollege.ca).

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