

Task Force on Northern Post-Secondary Education

YUKON ENGAGEMENT THEMES

creating post-secondary opportunities
in the North, by the North, for the North

Improving the K-12 system

“secondary education is not stepping up to the plate to be providing adequate and fair education to First Nations children.”

Career counselling
not just something for
one day a year



Students need access to
courses that open up
post-secondary options

More relevant courses



There's a lot of opportunity in new
First Nations governments - people
need to be trained to take
advantage of those opportunities.

Courses could be related to
jobs - work and study at the
same time



Shorter, local, hands-on courses like
hairdressing and book-keeping



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Distance education

Some people enjoy
access to more online
courses



Some people struggle
with online learning,
including accessibility



Cultural mismatches

**“I'm trying to stuff my ways of
knowing and doing into a box
that is difficult because our
ways of knowing and doing
don't fit into a box.”**

Southern systems,
northern peoples



**“20 years from now I think it
would be amazing that a diploma
program or a degree program
would be a 16-year-old being out
in the land for five years and
actually accrediting that.”**

Student supports

Mentors, especially
alumni from the same
place could help



Not just student
supports, but
family supports too

Even small things,
like gift bags from
home, can help



Student preparedness
necessary to navigate
the world outside their
communities

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