



MEDIA ADVISORY

Tuesday, March 21, 2017

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**KIIKENOMAGA KIKENJIGEWEN EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING SERVICES
(KKETS) HOST GRADUATION OF 4TH COHORT OF STUDENTS**

THUNDER BAY, ON – Kiikenomaga Kikenjigewen Employment & Training Services (KKETS) hosted the graduation of their 4th cohort of students on March 22, 2017 at the Valhalla Inn in the traditional territory of Fort William First Nation.

Representatives from the Matawa First Nations Management, KKETS Board of Directors, the Constituency Office of Hon. Patty Hajdu, Ontario Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development (Indigenous Education Branch), Lakehead District School Board, and the Lakehead Adult Education Centre joined in recognizing students successfully completing the 2016/2017 Aboriginal Skills Advancement Program (ASAP) and obtaining their Ontario Secondary School Diplomas with many completing their post-secondary entrance requirements. Chiefs from Aroland, Long Lake #58, Ginoogaming and Nibinamik First Nations, along with proxies from Eabametoong and Neskantaga First Nations also attended.

Caleb Shaganash from Ginoogaming First Nation and Dorothy Atlookan from Eabametoong First Nation provided valedictory remarks. Matawa First Nations student recognition awards were also presented.

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Members of the media are cordially invited to attend.

Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2017
Location: Valhalla Inn Ballroom, Thunder Bay, Ontario
Time: 12:45 p.m. (Graduation ceremony starts at 1:00 pm and ends at 3:00 pm)

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For more information, please contact Kathleen Maletta, KKETS Post Secondary/Communications Officer at (807) 630-0373 or by email at kmaletta@matawa.on.ca.

Matawa First Nations Management is a Tribal Council providing a variety of advisory services and programs to 8 Ojibway and Cree First Nations in James Bay Treaty No. 9 and 1 First Nation in the Robinson-Superior Treaty area. Follow them on Facebook or Twitter @MatawaFNM.

