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ATEC Staff Move into New Facility

"I'm pleased to announce that effective February 22, the administration of NCN's fully accredited, post-secondary training facility in Nelson House – the Atoskiwin Training and Employment Centre of Excellence – has moved into the new facility," said NCN Councillor and ATEC Chair and President W. Elvis Thomas.

Although ATEC has existed since 2003 and has already trained about 280 NCN Members, it has had to rely on temporary space until now.

"I want to thank our staff, board, funders and partners for their support, as well as our present and past trainees for their patience and perseverance in studying under less than ideal conditions," said ATEC Executive Director Ezra Bogle.

Staff are now working to prepare the facility to house all training programs.

"We will be officially opening the new facility to the community in the near future," Councillor Thomas said.



In the meantime, ATEC will be ramping up activities until it is fully operational in April.

"Even before our move, we had already begun operating the 10-month, basic electrical training program in the new fully equipped electrical workshop," Mr. Bogle said.

"I would invite anyone seeking information about our programs, wanting to register or having any other business with ATEC, to visit us at our new location."



A Preview of Our First Class Facility

The new ATEC building occupies about 28,000 square feet, which includes the educational facilities, a dormitory, a day-care centre and an Internet café. It is designed for later expansion if needed to accommodate demand.

The campus provides three classrooms, a science lab, a computer lab, industrial shops including a machine shop, metal shop, welding shop, and a woodworking and carpentry area to provide hands-on training for trades programs. The facility also has a cafeteria and student lounge areas.

Designed for Flexible Use

ATEC is designed for both day and evening activities. For example, the computer lab serves as an Internet café in the evening, using lighting, window treatments and other features to create a more relaxed environment.



ATEC Mission Statement

To enable the provision of technical and vocational education in the NCN community and other First Nation communities, so as to produce and sustain a competitive workforce, consistent with the need for economic growth and development.

Register with ATEC

ATEC offers a straight-forward registration and admissions process for its training programs.

Once accepted, ATEC provides students with whatever upgrading is necessary and once that is complete, they are placed in a pre-employment program or offered work experience.

- Step One:** Registration and Interview
- Step Two:** Evaluation and Review of Your Work & Training History
- Step Three:** Career Counselling/Training Plan
- Step Four:** Enrollment and Training

ATEC Career Services

ATEC offers three career-related services:

- Skills and job training
- Career counselling and retention support services
- A job referral agency for the proposed Wuskwatim Generation Project



Six-Steps to a New Career

1. Registration and enrollment
2. Career counselling planning
3. Educational upgrading (where necessary)
4. Technical training
5. Work experience
6. Graduation

ATEC Training Programs

Wuskwatim-related Training Opportunities

- Educational upgrading
- Labourer
- Electrical
- Welding
- Iron working
- Basic Electrical
- Life skills
- Carpentry
- Plumbing
- Truck & transport mechanic
- Catering

ATEC's primary purpose is to provide specific project-related training for the proposed Wuskwatim Project.

Non-Wuskwatim-related Training Opportunities

- Business Administration
- Healthcare Aide
- Bachelor of Education and Arts
- Early Childhood Education
- Computer Software Application

ATEC also offers training programs not related to Wuskwatim, in order to meet NCN's broader needs for skills.

Additional programs are planned to begin in fall 2006, including Midwifery.

For more information about training and job opportunities.

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