



## Caldwell First Nation

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### Post-Secondary Education

In April of 2020 Caldwell First Nation exited the Tribal Council structure of the Southern First Nations Secretariat and began administering our own funding agreement for post-secondary education. Funding from the federal government is not adequate to fund the costs of education for all members who apply and qualify for funding. As Chiefs and Councils have done in the past, this Council has continued its commitment to using own-source revenue to cover the costs for successful applicants to attend post-secondary school, within the limits of policy and budget allocated. Education is very important for members of all ages and Council's commitment to keeping education as a priority demonstrates this.

Council has approved, by way of Band Council Resolution, an increase in the Living Allowance for funded post-secondary students to \$1300 per month for full-time students. We are understanding of the rising costs associated with attending post-secondary studies and are hopeful that this increase will help reduce the burden to students.

The Post-Secondary Policy and Department still mandates an application process for funding and students must meet the requirements set out in this policy in order to be eligible. We urge members to submit applications before the deadlines in order to be eligible. For more information on the requirements for Post-Secondary support, please contact Holly Claeys at [etow@caldwellfirstnation.ca](mailto:etow@caldwellfirstnation.ca).

We wish all students, new and returning, a healthy and productive school year. We are confident that Caldwell students will continue to show exemplary grades as they work towards their future career goals.

Sincerely,

Councillor Perkins

Councillor Peters

Councillor Scott

Councillor Simpson