



Commissioner of the Northwest Territories

Aurora College Convocation Message from the
Honourable Margaret Thom, Commissioner of the NWT
For the 2020 and 2021 Classes

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First of all, I would like to acknowledge with respect the ancestral lands of the First Nations of Thebacha, the Tlicho, the Gwich'in and the Inuvialuit of the NWT.

To you, the Graduate,

It is with much pride and smiles that I send each of you this message.

To graduate from your College or University program during this difficult, challenging time in our world is a huge milestone. The way that we are accustomed to doing things has changed drastically because of the Covid-19 Pandemic. However, it has also taught us endurance, critical thinking, and to become creative in our new normal.

To achieve and accomplish what you have during this unprecedented time proves that you can endure and work through just about anything that you set your heart and mind to.

Although I am not able to celebrate and honour you in person, please know that you will be in my thoughts. I am saddened to not be there, however, it is only right that your biggest supporters are there with you: your family and your closest friends. Please enjoy this moment and appreciate wholeheartedly all that were and are part of your successes. I have always enjoyed being part of the Aurora College Convocation ceremonies, because tremendous time and effort is taken at each campus to celebrate you in the most awesome way!

I wish you only the very best as you journey through your next chapter.

With sincere congratulations,

Margaret Thom

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