

MARCH/APRIL 2023

INUIT EDUCATOR COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER



IEC Face to Face Meeting

Lto R: Neevee Wilkins, Mary Tegumiar, John Fanjoy (Executive Director), Ashley Tulugak, Bernice Tavalok, Becky Tootoo (Inuit Member at Large), Justin Matchett (NTA President)

Inuit Members at Large met in-person in January for some great discussion on meeting topics



IEC Photo Contest

Doing a culture or language activity? Got a great classroom display? Send in your photos!

Deadline: March 31

Prize: \$500 Country Food pack:

- Kivalliq/Kitikmeot/Qikiqtani Meat & Fish Plant

1 winner from each region: Kitikmeot, Kivalliq & Qikiqtani

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Kivalliq South: ashleytulugak@gmail.com

Kitikmeot: ejpauloosie@yahoo.ca

Coming up!

Inuktut Language Month!

View the last page for a calendar of suggested activities!

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NTA Inuit Educator Committee



Becky Tootoo

Inuit Member at Large
Jonah Amitnaaq Secondary School
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"I've been involved with the NTA as the IML for 7 years now. The work that we do at this level is important. We are a group of Inuit educators that work for our membership. That's empowering. "



Appolina Makkigak

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"I like IEC for inspiring each other to teach traditional knowledge and how to make it happen."



Ashley Tulugak

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"I love working with Inuit educators to do our part to support and empower each other and Inuit educators in Nunavut."

Mary Tegumiar

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"On IEC, You get a lot of information that you wouldn't hear about"



Natasha Kipsigak

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"I am still figuring this committee out, I am new and barely got to do anything yet but I am excited to be able to work together with Inuit Educators outside of Naujaat."



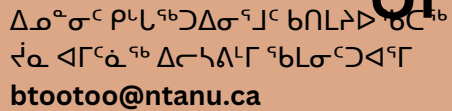
Neevee Wilkins

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"On IEC, I enjoy hearing from other educators and applying that to our school. Building each other up."



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Bernice Tavalok

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"I like being on the IEC because I learn a lot about what Inuit teachers do and can do. It also gives me pointers on what I can get my colleagues some information that they do not know about. I get to meet new people who are awesome with brilliant ideas."

**Manasie Naullaq****Jeannie Illuittok**

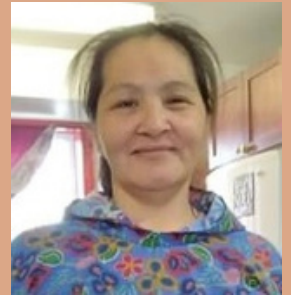
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"The IEC gives us the opportunity to share our opinion and learn from other Inuit teachers."

**Emma Pauloosie**

Committee Member, Kitikmeot
Kitikmeot Vice President
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"I am passionate about keeping our language and culture alive."

**Saizula Putuguq**

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"What I am enjoying most so far on IEC is the communication and the sharing within the committee."

**Jeela Allurut**

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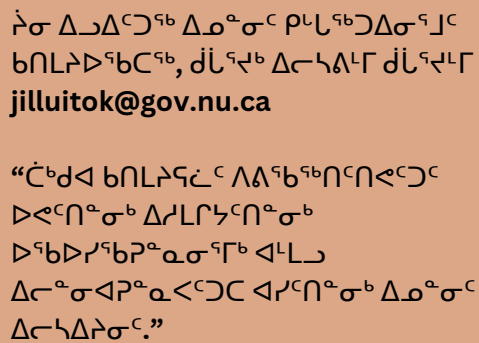
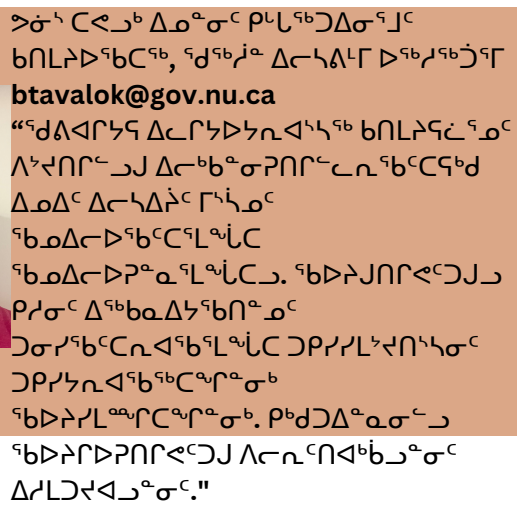
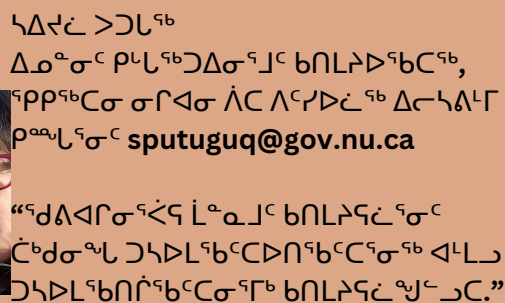
"I like to support the inuit educators and try to help make a difference for our education in our schools for our inuit students even though this is my first time as IEC member but I am excited to be part of the committee ."

**Maggie Perkison****Committee Member**

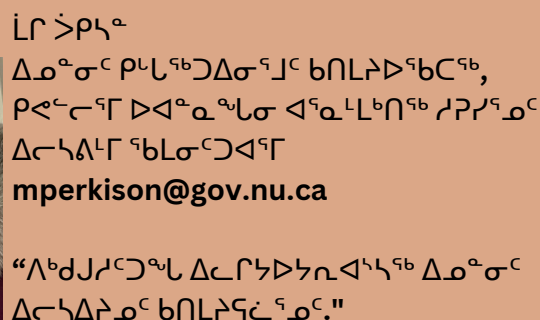
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"I am honoured to be apart of the Inuit Educator Committee."



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Professional Development Week

February 13-17

INUIT EDUCATORS GATHERING

Standing, are women Inuit teachers, who make up 90% of the Inuit teachers in Nunavut

Her Excellency
Mary May Simon
Keynote address at IEG



Marnguq Making

Pirurvik Center presented the traditional method and use of the qulliq. Some delegates of IEG made marnuq, out of seal skin for storing the plants used for the qulliq.



For PD week I traveled to Winnipeg Manitoba to visit the Winnipeg Art Gallery - Qaumajuq. I arrived when they were putting away the exhibit Inua. The First Nations man hosted a closing smoke prayer ceremony for the exhibit and the people involved. If you look behind the people, you see a "window" this is a re-creation of my grandmother's house-my late fathers' mother. And if you look behind the "house" you see wall-hangings. These wall-hangings are made by world renowned Baker Lake artists. It was an incredible day for me, it was a personal emotional day. But it was also a moment of pride. I chose to go to the WAG/Qaumajuq because I wanted to learn how I can incorporate Inuit specific art into my courses in the high school. I learned a lot and continue to learn and grow! I hope that you do as well." -Becky Tootoo



Pualuk pattern made by Corrine Boisvert's mom, Jeannie Ugyuk Taloyoak, NU



Biscuits à la farine de blé

Valeur nutritive
Pour 2 biscuits (34 g)

Teneur
Calories 160
Lipides 7 g
saturés 2,0 g
+ trans 0 g
Cholestérol 0
Sodium 65 mg
Glucides 23 g
Fibres 1 g
Sucres 12 g
Protéines 3 g
Vitamine A
Calcium

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Check these out!

NTA Positions becoming available!

1. Nominations for the South Kivalliq President and IML open on April 1st. Sonja will be sending an email including all necessary forms on that date. Any teacher that is interested needs to find two colleagues to sign their nomination form for them.
2. Nominations close on April 15th.
3. After April 15th people can start openly campaigning and sending out info to their colleagues.
4. The vote is scheduled to happen on May 4th.

**Inuit
Member
at Large**

**Inuit Member
at Large
Kivalliq South**

**Kivalliq
South
President**

**Look up opportunities for Inuit/Indigenous Conferences!
Check NTA Core Solutions for support to attend!**

**National
Indigenous &
Reconciliation
Gathering**

**Inuit Circumpolar
Council
Inuit Educator
Committee/
Summit**

**Alaska Native
Summit**

**World
Indigenous
People's
Conference on
Education**

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Try some ideas for your school/home!



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2 Give a gift to an elder in your community	3 Listen to an episode of Sinnaksaut	4 Learn what animal fats and plants are used to light a qulliq	5 Learn to light a qulliq and tend to it	6 Learn the song Quviasuppunga by Charlie Adams with the staff at your school	7 Read an Inuktitut book	8 Create Inuit art
9 Go sliding on a seal or polar bear skin	10 Play string games	11 Play ajagaq and nakpaktaq	12 Learn the local traditional Inuit tribe name from your community and share it in NTA Facebook group	13 Play iglukitaaq and sing Quluppaa	14 Eat country food	15 Play siktuqtaq
16 Play makittaq	17 Create a book with your students on the qulliq. Students can draw and write about the significance of the qulliq	18 Upload a video of an Inuk elder telling a story on YouTube	19 Find an interesting episode to watch on Isuma TV	20 Invite an Inuit leader or elder to talk to the school about the planning of the Nunavut territory	21 Prepare for an outdoor cultural spring activity	22 Enjoy an outdoor spring cultural activity
23 Enjoy tea and palaugaagaa	24 Record your staff singing Quviasuppunga	25 Invite an local Inuk artist to perform songs to your school	26 Start an aqausiq contest on local radio	27 Have a traditional clothing fashion show at your school	28 Have a parla at your school for students and staff first catch/traditional creation	29 Build an iglu
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