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Individual Learning Centre celebrates 150 graduates

WHITEHORSE—The Individual Learning Centre (ILC) is continuing to offer alternative pathways to graduation for students who require enhanced flexibility to succeed in the public school system. This year the cumulative number of students who have walked the graduation stage since its inception in 2005 has passed the 150 milestone.

"Since opening its doors to students, the Individual Learning Centre has provided a flexible learning environment for youth," Education Minister Patrick Rouble said. "This government is committed to continuing support for the learning centre because it gives everyone the opportunity to successfully complete their education with dignity and purpose, well prepared to enter the next phase in their lives."

The Individual Learning Centre serves high-school aged students who require more flexibility than the traditional high school models offer in order to succeed. For example, some students need to work or care for their own children and have the opportunity to study from home or study part-time. The learning centre offers a module-based curriculum, flexible and extended hours, and continuous enrolment. Activities such as art, physical education, hair dressing, carving and working are incorporated into the curriculum. Work experience placements, preemployment programs and career placement programs can be incorporated into the students' education plans.

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