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Canadian Adult Education Credential Launched

The Canadian Adult Education Credential (CAEC) has replaced the outdated General Education Development (GED) certificate as the high-quality credential for adult learners. The CAEC assessment tool was developed using recent economic research and changing workforce development requirements. It is a digital assessment offered in English and French, with supports available for learners who require accommodations.

The CAEC relates directly to Canada's education system and is comprised of five tests assessing reading, writing, mathematics, science and social science. The tests provide opportunities for candidates to demonstrate skills in communication, information processing, problem-solving and critical thinking. The Canadian GED testing series was more than 20 years old, and the decision to discontinue it was made by Pearson Vue, the company that administered the tests, because it could no longer support the outdated technology.

People interested in pursuing the new adult education credential are encouraged to contact a Nova Scotia School for Adult Learning provider near them to develop a personalized plan. Information on the credential and service providers in Nova Scotia who can support adult learners is available at: <https://novascotia.ca/programs/canadian-adult-education-credential/> People can book a CAEC test at: <https://caec.vretta.com/#/en/general/login>

Funding for Mi'kmaw Community Gatherings

Mi'kmaw communities across the province will receive support for community-led gatherings with provincial grants announced on October 4. A mawio'mi (powwow) is a traditional gathering of people to celebrate Mi'kmaw culture, traditions and language through storytelling, music, dance and ceremonial activities.

Communities receiving provincial grants: Acadia First Nation - \$10,000 for the Gold River Powwow; Annapolis Valley First Nation - \$10,000 for the annual Strawberry Mawio'mi; Bear River First Nation - \$10,000 for the Harvesters Gathering; Glooscap First Nation - \$10,000 for the 2024 Mawio'mi; Millbrook Band Council - \$10,000 for the We'kopekwit Competition Powwow; Sipekne'katik First Nation - \$10,000 for the annual Mawio'mi; Wagmatcook Culture & Heritage Centre - \$10,000 for the Wagmatcook Mawio'mi-Powwow Intertribal Gathering 2024; We'koqma'q First Nation - \$10,000 for the annual Mawio'mi; Membertou Band Council - \$5,000 for the annual Powwow and Pictou Landing Band Council - \$5,000 for the annual Mawio'mi.

Nova Scotia Granted Observer Status

Nova Scotia is now an observer member of the Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (OIF) following a decision on October 5, at the 19th Francophonie Summit in France. Nova Scotia's observer status provides opportunities to co-operate in culture, education, economic development and other sectors, and reflects the government's commitment to protecting and promoting the French language and identity. The OIF represents 321 million French speakers in countries and regions around the world.

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Bearcat Banter: Points Well Earned

October 21, 2024

Last week's schedule for the Truro Bearcats was a busy one but the team came out of it with some real positives.

Foremost was the effort displayed in each of the games. It doesn't always translate into wins, but it suggests things are moving in the correct direction.

Last Wednesday, the Bearcats fired 45 shots at the Valley Wildcats goalie. Obviously,

he was up for the task, turning them all away.

For Valley, it was their second win of the season over the Bearcats. For Truro it was a game that could have gone the other way. That happens.

Saturday Truro hosted the Pictou County Crushers, fresh from a shutout win over the Summerside Capitals.

The confident Crushers came out of the first period up one, but the Bearcats outscored them the rest of the

way to record the team's second win of the season, a 6-4 verdict.

At some point in the second period, the Bearcats moved things up a gear to take over the game, out skating and out playing the opposition. It looked good on them.

Playing with some urgency paid off. Scoring three powerplay goals on four chances was big but not enough to overshadow the team's determination to win.

Sunday, the sparse afternoon crowd was treated to a full effort by both the Summerside Capitals and Bearcats. It was settled in the thirteenth shoot out round, a 2-1 Capital win.

Play was end-to-end from the get-go and the goaltending was at an MHL best. Comments coming out of the RECC were very positive. The team has made huge steps forward.

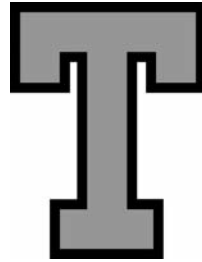


Owen Sparkes, Right Wing Bay Roberts, NFLD

Own Sparkes Named Bearcat of the Week

Bearcat-of-the-Week went to forward Owen Sparkes, who scored a pair of goals in the opening period against the Crushers, then picked up an assist on the winning tally. Sunday against Summerside he assisted on Truro's lone regulation time goal.

He, and linemates Luke



McPhee and Liam Welsh were on fire Saturday picking up three goals and four assists. Originally a 2021 Pictou County draft pick, he played last year with the Amherst Ramblers and was acquired by Truro at the start of this season.



Cats In The Community


September 26, 2024

Our guys and Growler spent a day at Bible Hill Consolidated Elementary for their Terry Fox Run. Thanks for the hospitality, it's always great when we get to interact with the kids in the community. Growler was the star of the show on this day.



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