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## NorQuest Budget: The Good, The Bad and The Hopeful?

By Carly Young and Gerard Amani

There is a lot of information out there about funding cuts from the provincial government and many students have been asking what it all means.

Your Students' Council sat down with Jaye Fredrickson, NorQuest College VP Academic to get answers about what students will see as a result of these cuts.

### Background information:

Approximately two-thirds of the college's funds come from the provincial government in the form of AEI Grant Funding. The other one-third portion of the funds comes from tuition paying students.

Because of both the adjustment to the 2010/2011 Alberta Works Allocation, and the cuts to the operating funds provided by Advanced Education and Technology NorQuest has had to make some tough decisions in order to come up with a balanced budget. These changes may or may not be recognized by the students, for example there will be less professional development and training days for staff.

### Student Impact:

A couple areas where students will be impacted is in the reduced operational hours of the library; larger line ups in the Office of the Registrars due to less staff; reduced material use; and there will also be a cap on the number of new students receiving AEI Grant Funding. There are future plans of expanding medical services in Westmount, they have been put on hold until further notice, due to these financial cuts. There have been many efforts to minimize the impact on students and staff.

**The Good News:** Because of many generous donations to the Learner Access Bursary the College has been able to significantly reduce the affect some of these cuts are having on access. These very generous donors have been extending their hands of help over and above the past donations. In addition to helping provide access bursaries the funds that are brought in by donors help out the students in the form of awards and scholarships, emergency funds and enhancements to learning.

**Looking to the Future:** Although the provincial government has advised that the next two or three years will be financially difficult because of the reduction in allocated monies to NorQuest, the college is expecting a full recovery.

At this point and time, there are program closures in the next years plan, but this is subject to change depending on future budgets. Any on-going students within a program will not have their course cut—the enrolment for the next intake will be reduced or possibly cut if necessary.

There have been a few changes that have been made so that there can be better financial security for grant funded students. One of these changes was made at the provincial level—there was a new information system put in place to manage application numbers and reports more effectively.

NorQuest has also upgraded their database system in the past year and it will help to manage student information better. In addition, NorQuest has also done a lot of internal work to maximize the number of students that are benefitting from grant funding and to use all of the allocated funds appropriately.

**Have Questions?:** Stop by the SA office and let us know what is on your mind. We will do our best to answer your questions or point you in the right direction.

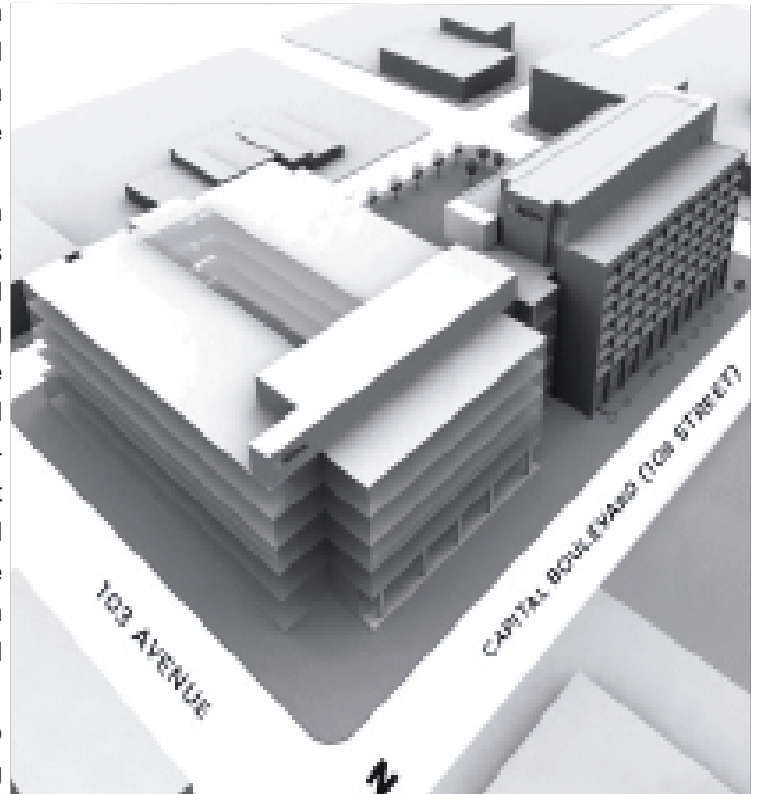
# NorQuest College is Expanding

NorQuest College is the Edmonton Region's community college. Serving over 10,000 learners a year, the College is making plans to accommodate the growing demand for the College's post-secondary and foundational programs for the next decade. Our vision is to create a vibrant Downtown Campus that consolidates our existing Edmonton locations to improve access for all learners to services, teaching technology and supportive learning space. Currently, in addition to the Main Building on 108 Street, facilities are dispersed at the Westmount Campus, Capital Centre, Health Education Centre - 106 Street, Health Education Centre - 102 Avenue and the Intercultural Centre.

The planned North Learning Centre will modernize the downtown location – incorporating green park space, energizing Edmonton's campus/warehouse district, anchoring the north leg of Capital Boulevard and integrating with the city's LRT plans. The building will double our existing owned-facilities capacity, providing state of the art smart classrooms, labs, a daycare, a new library, food services and student activity space as well as underground parking. The North Learning Centre will be a sustainable and efficient 27,500 m<sup>2</sup>, five-storey building facing Capital Boulevard, flanked by 103 Avenue and 107 Street. The North Learning Centre will be connected on all levels to the existing South Learning Centre (Main Building). The building features a central atrium to provide light and space for student activity.

The College is working with the Alberta government to develop its Downtown Campus Development Plan. The College is updating

its business case and developing the schematic design for the North Learning Centre as well as developing a master plan for the Downtown Campus. The plans will be presented to government in July 2010. At this time there is no government commitment to funding this project.



## *Katherine's Katering is Now Open*

Katherine's Katering is now open on the lower level in the Downtown Campus Main Building.

Katherine's Katering menu features a variety of healthy and cost-effective food choices such as spinach and Caesar salads, fresh fruit, chicken quesadilla and Asian stir fries.

The new cafeteria space also features enhanced self-preparation food areas with microwaves and water (hot and cold).



*Katherine's Katering*





Cineplex Entertainment Movie Tickets

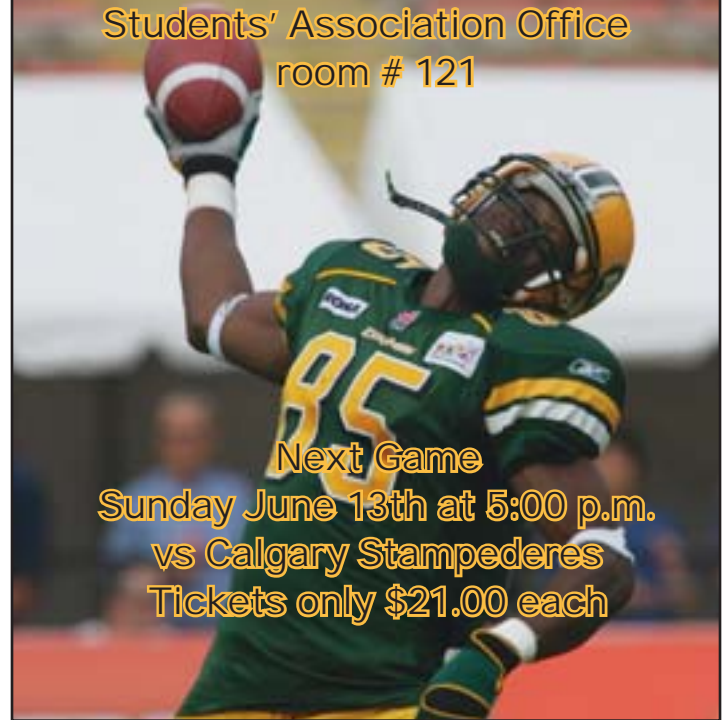
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in the Students' Association Office  
room #121



Football Season is Here!

Get your  
Edmonton Eskimo Tickets at the  
Students' Association Office  
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Next Game  
Sunday June 13th at 5:00 p.m.  
vs Calgary Stampeders  
Tickets only \$21.00 each



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- Valid for one of the following:
  - Day pass to the Waterpark
  - Day pass to the Galaxyland
- or
- Any two of the following:
  - Ice Palace
  - Sea Life Caverns
  - Prof. WEM's Adventure Golf
    - Putt "n" Glow
    - Ed's Rec room

Only \$18 for students and staff

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Fit with  
a YMCA  
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the SA office (A121) for **ONLY \$10.**

# REWIND

What happened in May...

## Week of Welcome!



## 2010 SHINE Awards!



The NorQuest annual SHINE awards is an event that recognizes exceptional students for their work with the College, other students and with their commitment to learning. Congratulations to everyone who got an award.

## ArtQuest!



During our Week of Welcome celebration we warmly greeted the new students with an early morning waffle breakfast. We also held free binder giveaways, a free Fat Franks BBQ lunch, BACCHUS (safe alcohol consumption awareness) and a Students' Association open house. It was a pleasure to meet the new faces of NorQuest and don't forget to keep an open eye for upcoming events!



We held our annual ArtQuest at the Edmonton Coast Plaza on May 26th with the SHINE awards. This is where we had a show and sale of the NorQuest Student Art Club's work that students completed over the year. Thank you to everyone who came and took a look at the students hardwork!

# New Students' Council Members

Students' Council is the decision-making body of the Students' Association of NorQuest College. As such, all Students' Councillors have a clearly defined governance role that focuses on the organization as a whole. The Students' Association is proud to welcome our newest members to Students' Council, Lincoln Nanaquawetung and Orane Rowe.

The Students' Association is the official voice of students at NorQuest and we focus on student advocacy and representation by protecting the rights and interests of NorQuest students by providing a student perspective and speaking up on your behalf on matters that affect you.

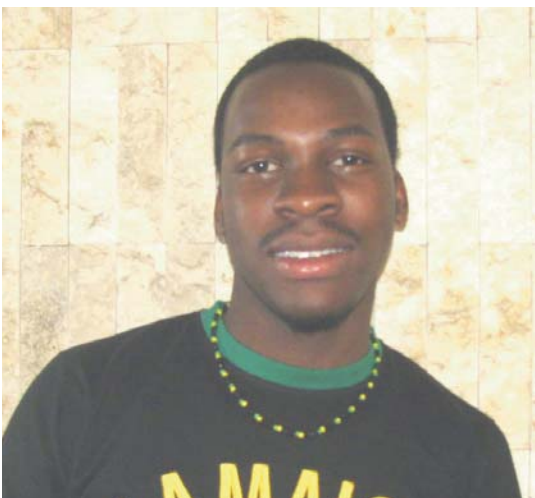
You are represented at: Students' Council, Board of Governors, Academic Council

The Students' Association also wants you to have a good time while you're here, so we offer numerous opportunities for you to really get involved on campus and have best student life experience possible. Stop by our office and check out how you can get involved in campus life at NorQuest.

## Lincoln Nanaquawetung

### Program: Social Work

I have been a student at NorQuest for over two years. I just finished my first year Social Work Program and have plans to go for my bachelor of social work. I have a 14 year old daughter and I enjoy being at NorQuest because I have a great love for learning. I believe that I would be a good candidate for Students' Council because I believe in NorQuest and it played a huge role in the success of my career goal and I would like to give back to the community that has helped me so much.



## Orane Rowe

### Program: ACE

First of all I'm the type of guy that likes to make people laugh and feel comfortable around me. I try to be my best at the challenge I have been given and to complete it. I will bring a new feeling and am willing to take on anything that will improve the Students' Council. I know I can do it and I will be devoted to my work and bring new ideas to my fellow NorQuest students in this Council.



**Reminder...**  
Buy chocolate  
almonds from the  
Students' Association  
**ONLY \$3.00**



The Aboriginal Student Club presents:

## **National Aboriginal Day Celebration**

**Monday, June 21st**

**Room 808/809**

**11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

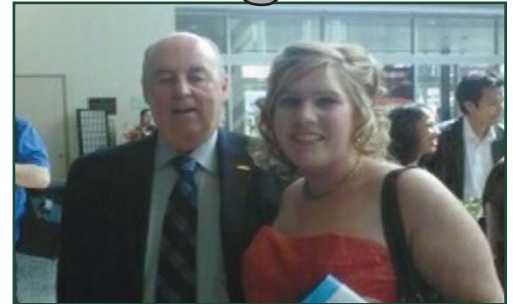
**Details to follow**

# SA Moments with President Shillington

President and CEO of NorQuest College, Dr. Wayne Shillington, has shown great support to the Students' Association and the students of NorQuest College by participating in many SA events. Dr. Shillington has always taken the time to mingle and get to know students at NorQuest College.



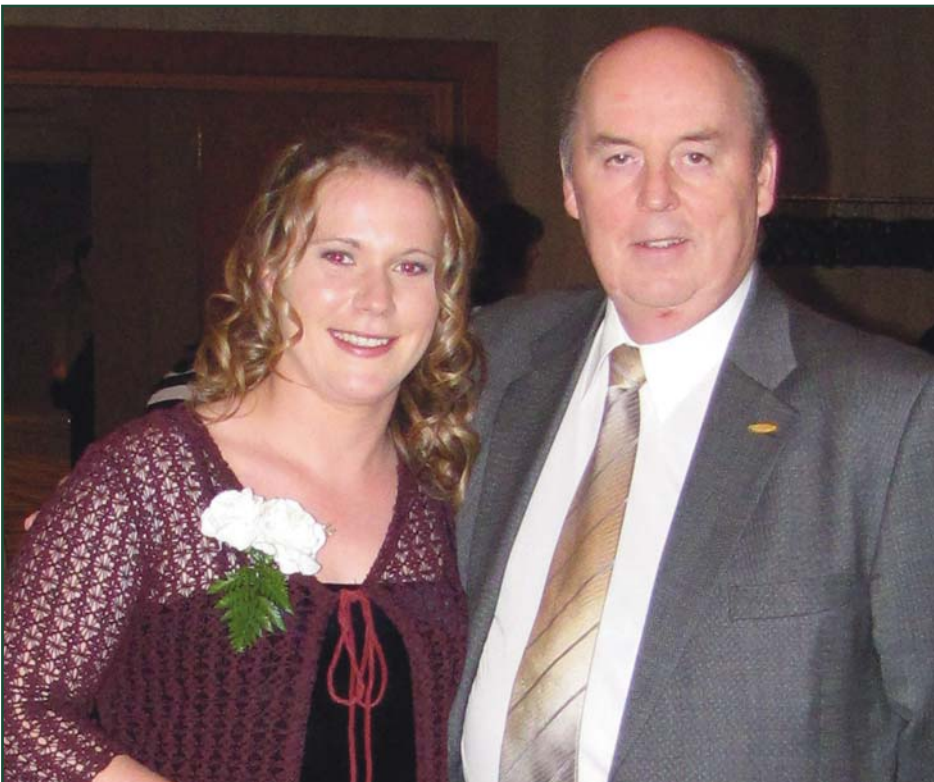
Dr. Shillington was one of the proud Edmononians who ran the Olympic torch as Canada prepares for the 2010 Olympic Winter Games. Dr. Shillington was one of the lucky people who ran with the torch in Edmonton.



Students' Council member, Rose Duperron, thanks Dr. Shillington for his work on the The Professional Development Protocol framework between Alberta Education and Child & Family Services.



During the United Way campaign Dr. Wayne Shillington took time out of his busy schedule to get up close and personal with students during the Pluck the President event.



Dr. Wayne Shillington congratulates Students' Council member and Student Ambassador, Carly Young at the 2010 SHINE Awards.



In February 2006 Dr. Wayne Shillington participated in the Students' Association's Feb-Fest Carnival Jail & Bail event which helped to raise money for student awards and scholarships.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1  Student Council Meeting @ 3:45p.m.	2	3	4	5
6	7	8  Academic Council	9	10	11	12
13  Edmonton Eskimos vs. Calgary Stampeders @ 5:00p.m.	14	15	16	17  Freebee Store Main Lobby 10:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.	18	19
20	21  National Aboriginal Awareness Day Event	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30  Canada Day Celebration Westmount Campus			