

Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation Youth Conference, Training and Travel Policy

Preamble:

VGG-Education department receives many requests to attend youth conferences, training and travel opportunities, not all invitations will be reviewed. VGG Education reserves the right to select opportunities in which it is felt that will provide learning environments for our youth as well as best fit the mandate and mission statement of VGG. VGG Education will to the best of its ability try to provide opportunities to all our school aged youth and provide them with many learning opportunities.

Selection Process (1)

1.1 VGG-Education Department reserves the right to independently select VG youth to attend training, conferences or to travel as a youth delegate on behalf of VGG.

1.2 VGG youth will be considered for Conferences, training as well as travel opportunities based on positive attitude displayed in all aspects of their education, and will not only be based on academia, but as well on attendance and behavior will be taken into account.

1.3 VGG-Education reserves the right to ask for teacher, principal or community referrals to participate in possible travel opportunities. These communications shall remain confidential.

1.4 VGG-Education department recognizes that many youth are not afforded the opportunity to participate in youth activities due to family circumstances, no youth shall be deemed unable to participate due to the family socio-economic status. Every effort will be made to ensure youth that are experiencing difficulties in school but show a desire to succeed will be given opportunity to attend conferences to motivate them in their education.

1.5 VGG-Education will make every effort to make selection processes fair and equitable; however VGG Education department reserves the right to pursue youth to participate in certain activities based on their prescribed course of study, extra circular activities and abilities.

1.6 VGG-Education will abide by the host organizing committee's guidelines and selection process for all conferences, training or travel opportunities.

Financial Circumstances (2)

2.1 VGG Education will not discriminate based on a youth's financial circumstances, every effort will be made to support a youth who may not have the financial means, but otherwise qualifies to attend youth conferences, training or travel opportunities.

2.2 Not all VGG Education conferences, training and travel opportunities will be the fiscal responsibility of VGG. Families may be required to contribute financially if they wish for their youth to participate in said activities.

2.3 Travel per diems may or may not be the responsibility of VGG-Education Department.

Fundraising (3)

3.1 Should VGG-Education present an opportunity to attend Conferences, training or travel selected participants may be required to fundraise in order to meet the financial requirements to attend. Participants may be cut from an opportunity if their fundraising commitment is not upheld.

3.2 If a youth is required to fundraise they must attend the fundraising events, cash in lieu of fundraising paid to VGG will not be considered to have fulfilled fundraising commitments.

3.3 VGG-Education reserves the right to pull out of a conference/training opportunity based on fiscal responsibility.

Appeals on Selection Process (4)

4.1 Any appeals on the selection process for a youth conference, training or travel opportunity should be sent in writing to the Director of Education of the Vuntut Gwitchin Government.