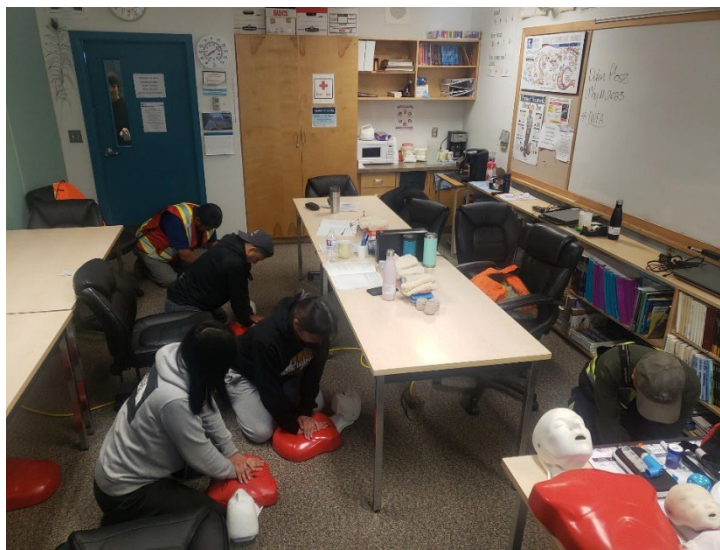


Skills for Success program runs in Whatì, Wekweètì and Behchokò



The Skills for Success program in the Tłı̨chǫ communities is a joint project between the NWT Literacy Council and the Client Services Department of the Tłı̨chǫ government. It's funded by the Government of Canada. The program is a 6-week employment readiness program consisting of 4 weeks of classroom instruction and a 2-week work placement. The program ran in April and May in Whatì, Wekweètì, and Behchokò. In all, 20 people took part: 5 in Whatì, 7 in Wekweètì, and 8 in Behchokò.



As part of the program, participants had the opportunity to gain workplace certification in areas like first aid and WHMIS.



In addition to the employment readiness skills and workplace certification, participants took part in numerous cultural activities and experiences to further develop their skills. These included beading, cooking, storytelling, and a variety of on-the-land cultural activities.



Each program partnered with local employers in the community to provide each participant with two weeks of work experience after completing the classroom portion of the program.

Fifteen people from the three communities completed the program. The Skills for Success program will run in Gamètì from September 15th to October 27th. People in Gamètì who want to take part should email jenny.arrowmaker@tlicho.ca or jim.whatigmail.com.