



COMMUNITY

BACK TO SCHOOL

AS YUKONERS CELEBRATE OUR TERRITORY'S RICH GOLD MINING HISTORY AND FIRST NATIONS' CONTRIBUTIONS to our founding industry with Discovery Days this weekend, students, families and educators also prepare to resume the new school year and the return to in-classroom learning next week.

With March's disruption of the school year and the shift to at-home learning due to COVID-19, to help uphold the health and safety of all Yukon school communities many kitchen tables became classrooms and many family members became teachers; adding to the pandemic's environment of anxiety and uncertainty.

In addition, connectivity and devices at home to support online learning platforms used during the last three months of the school year presented further challenges for some Yukon families and students.

In response, to help ensure Yukon students had equal access to at-home education every day, the **Victoria Gold Yukon Student Encouragement Society's Every Student, Every Day** initiative supported the purchase of tablets for First Nation of Na-Cho Nyak Dun (NND) students in need of technology at home.

Every Student, Every Day will host a fundraising event in Whitehorse on Saturday, October 3 respecting the Yukon Government's and Chief Medical Officer of Health's guidelines and recommendations regarding safe public conduct and gatherings. An online component will be included this year for those not comfortable to attend and/or in the event health and safety recommendations change.

Since its establishment in 2012, Victoria Gold's registered charity, *Every Student, Every Day*, has worked with community partners to raise and distribute over \$800,000 to directly support more than 100 student attendance projects throughout the territory.

To learn more about *Every Student, Every Day*, please visit everystudenteveryday.ca or find the charity on Facebook.



Every Student, Every Day was pleased to help support Na-Cho Nyak Dun with tablets for students in need as they navigated home-learning this Spring due to COVID-19. Next week, students around the territory will return to in-class learning, including those in the Village of Mayo (pictured here, Mayo's J.V. Clark School).

"Now more than ever, supporting Yukon students is key for *Every Student, Every Day* so that every Yukon student has the opportunity to access learning every day. We extend our sincere appreciation to Na-Cho Nyak Dun for bringing families' technology challenges to light and look forward to working with our partners over the coming weeks and months to help mitigate barriers in the return to at-school learning."

- TARA CHRISTIE | PRESIDENT | VICTORIA GOLD YUKON STUDENT ENCOURAGEMENT SOCIETY

VICTORIA GOLD IS PROUD TO HAVE YUKONERS AT WORK

IF YOU ARE A YUKONER WITH MINING EXPERIENCE, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONNECT WITH US.

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ABOUT VICTORIA GOLD & THE EAGLE GOLD MINE

The Eagle Gold Mine, now in production, is part of Victoria's 100-per cent-owned Dublin Gulch Property located approximately 375 kilometres north of Whitehorse and 85 kilometres north, northeast of the Village of Mayo within the traditional territory of the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyak Dun. The property is accessible by road year-round and is connected to Yukon Energy Corp's electrical grid. The mine will be a significant contributor to Yukon employing 350 to 400 people.

