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All Invited to Local Information Sessions on How to Get a Degree, Diploma or Certificate or Upgrade Your Skills Online

(HALIBURTON, ON) - Haliburton residents now have direct access to information and local support services they need to earn a degree, diploma or certificate, or upgrade their skills without leaving their community

“During eight upcoming sessions at the Haliburton Country Public Library branches. Contact North | Contact Nord staff will give interested residents an overview of the wide range of the more than 1000 online programs and 18 000 online programs they can take from Ontario’s 24 public colleges, 22 public universities, 250 literacy and basic skills and training providers, explains Robin Brushey, online learning recruitment officer for the Haliburton Contact North | Contact Nord online learning centre”

“Those attending these information sessions will learn of Contact North | Contact Nord’s services to help them succeed in their studies; including, information on available online courses and programs, assistance to register, how to use our web conferencing, videoconferencing and audioconferencing distance learning platforms, use of computer workstations with high-speed Internet access and supervision of written exams and tests” adds Robin.

“The Haliburton Country Public Library is happy to partner with Contact North | Contact Nord to provide patrons with access to online learning options that can help them increase their digital literacy. Tech Time Rural Outreach allows patrons to learn more about the technology that allows us to navigate our increasingly digital world, and Contact North can take that even farther by providing support to Ontario’s digital literacy initiatives, as well as online college and university programs and courses,” said Erin, Branch Services Librarian/Deputy CEO for Haliburton County Public Library.

Since 1986 Contact North | Contact Nord recruits and provides local support to underserved Ontario residents taking online programs and courses from Ontario’s 24 public colleges, 22 public universities, 9 Aboriginal institutes, 76 district school boards, and 250 literacy and basic skills and training providers, generating 65,000 registrations annually. It operates a network of 112 online learning centres throughout Ontario.

Contact North | Contact Nord invites residents to attend an information session to learn about our services and online learning. Sessions are organized at the Haliburton County Public Library branches on the following dates:

- Minden Hills Branch – February 9 at 10:15 am
176 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden, Ontario
- Stanhope Branch – February 14 at 12:30 pm
1109 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands, Ontario
- Dorset Branch – February 14 at 2:30 pm
1051 Main Street, Dorset, Ontario
- Dysart Branch (in Haliburton) – March 22 at 10:15 am
78 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, Ontario
- Highland Grove Branch – March 27 at 12:30 pm
5373 Loop Road, Highland Grove, Ontario
- Cardiff Branch – March 27 at 2:30 pm
2778 Monck Road, Cardiff, Ontario
- Wilberforce Branch – March 29 at 11:30 am
1101 Holmes Road, Wilberforce, Ontario
- Gooderham Branch – March 29 at 2 pm
1032 Gooderham Street, Gooderham, Ontario

If you cannot make one of sessions, you can visit Contact North's | Contact Nord online learning centre in Haliburton, at 49 Maple Avenue in the Fleming CREW Employment Centre in Haliburton.

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