

In accordance with guidelines from the Province of Saskatchewan **all of SIIT's facilities will remain closed to the general public until August 24, 2020.**

Messaging to Students and Public Regarding Closures

SIIT is preparing for a "hybrid delivery" for 2020/21. This hybrid delivery may include in class, take home and on-line learning. Each program plan is prepared for changes to respond to public health risks as a result of COVID-19. SIIT program delivery will align with requirements and recommendations from the Ministry of Advanced Education and public health protocols. We will keep all of our students and stakeholders informed as the situation develops.

Student Services will contact students over the summer to provide information about attending SIIT in the fall.

Students, stakeholders, and public are encouraged to continue to monitor the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies website at <https://siit.ca/closures-info/> for additional details about specific programs and classes beginning in Fall 2020.

Career Centre Services

Career Centres will continue to provide services to both job seekers and employers by telephone and online – please contact your local Career Centre to be referred to a Job Coach and stay tuned to your local Career Centre Facebook page for updates. Career Centres will begin restricted onsite delivery of specific services in step with SIIT's plan to reopen sites to the general public.

Information for Staff

Human Resources Update- Prior to August 24th, staff must receive clearance from their supervisor and Vice President prior to entering any SIIT site. Although we remain closed to the public, some departments will begin transitioning back to work in SIIT facilities in July following a staged approach. Staff will continue to receive direction from their immediate supervisor regarding work-from-home and return-to-work expectations. As we transition back to work, there may be travel required. Please seek approval to travel from your immediate supervisor.

Please continue to utilize our Employee & Family Assistance Program if you are experiencing stress or anxiety at 1-800-663-1142 or www.homeweb.ca. Homewood Health will continue to offer online counselling services and a large amount of online resources for SIIT staff. Please reach out to HR at ahenakewa@siit.ca if you require additional information.

Further Updates:

We are excited to return to SIIT this Fall. Our staff and faculty are working incredibly hard to build a new environment for learners and clients so that we can continue to provide high quality educational programs, employment and student services in new ways.

Although there are many unknowns at this stage, SIIT will continue to provide regular updates on operations via email, social media, and our website as plans to re-open the province unfold. Urgent inquiries can be directed to Lorian Kennedy, Director of Strategic Initiatives at 1-877-282-5622. Messages will be reviewed daily.

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