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## Call for applications for QIA's John Amagoalik Scholarship 2017-2018

**Iqaluit, Nunavut - April 26, 2017** – The Qikiqtani Inuit Association (QIA) is accepting applications for the 2017-2018 John Amagoalik Scholarship which honours the efforts of John Amagoalik towards the betterment of Inuit in Nunavut.

"The scholarship was a big help to me," says Neoma Cox, last year's scholarship recipient.

Cox is now a second year student in the Environmental Technology program at Arctic College, she says the QIA scholarship helped her stay in school.

"It helped me stay on track with my studies by assisting with my childcare costs and additional school equipment and supplies to do my field work."

The John Amagoalik Scholarship is available to Inuit students from the Qikiqtani region pursuing post-secondary education. QIA will prioritize applications from post-secondary students entering a field that promotes Inuit language and culture.

The annual scholarship if for \$5,000.00.

"This scholarship is an investment in the future of Qikiqtani Inuit," says QIA president P.J. Akeeagok.

"Education is the pathway to success for our young people and at QIA we want to do our part to help our youth achieve their goals."

## Criteria for the John Amagoalik Scholarship:

- Applicants must have a valid NTI Card and is an Inuit under the Nunavut Agreement in the Qikiqtaaluk Region
- Students must be enrolled into a post-secondary academic institution, preferably in a field that promotes Inuit language and culture for the September and January semesters
- Students must maintain a full course load and maintain a passing grade point average.

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