

PREMIER OF MANITOBA

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Dear Graduates of the Class of 2021:

On behalf of the people of Manitoba, I would like to congratulate you on your academic achievements as you graduate this year in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

We are proud of your resilience and tremendous focus in adapting to new learning opportunities in this challenging environment. Together with the combined efforts of your teachers and school staff, parents and mentors, you are well prepared to move on to further education and new careers. While your Class of 2021 may not be able to commemorate graduation in a traditional fashion, I am confident that you will be able to celebrate in innovative ways and that you will never forget this milestone.

As you enjoy our wonderful Manitoba summer, you may be looking to find meaningful work and earn some money to build on your goals. To support this, the Manitoba Youth Jobs Program will provide wage subsidies to help employers hire young people for summer jobs or projects. There are also opportunities through enhanced Green Team grants for non-profit organizations and municipalities. You can find more information online at https://manitoba.ca/covid19/programs/youth-jobs.html and at www.manitobago.ca.

And finally, if you need help to access post-secondary education, there are scholarships available through our world renowned universities, colleges and partners in the Manitoba Scholarship and Bursary Initiative. To boost award programs, Manitoba will match funds raised by universities and colleges, ensuring support is available to students who need it, when they need it most.

Manitoba is a strong province. Together we will make it through this pandemic and enjoy a much better tomorrow. You play a key part in creating that bright future.

Congratulations once more to you and the entire Class of 2021.

Sincerely,

Brian Pallister

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