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## Two Nunavummiut Awarded Inaugural Danielle Moore Scholarship

*“The Scholarship is facilitated by the Pinnguaq Association in memory of Danielle Moore, who taught at the Association’s Iqaluit Makerspace, and was aboard flight ET302, which crashed in Ethiopia on March 10, 2019.”*

**17/08/2022 - (Iqaluit, Nunavut)** - The Pinnguaq Association, in partnership with the Moore family, is pleased to announce that two Nunavut residents have been awarded the inaugural Danielle Moore Scholarship, and will each receive \$3,000 in financial support towards their ongoing education. The winners are:

- **Jenna Kilabuk-Qaqqasiq** of Pangnirtung
- **Kylie Angutimarik** of Igloodik

The Scholarship, which is available exclusively to Nunavummiut, assists recipients with ongoing formal and informal education and skills development, and is offered in memory of Danielle Moore, who taught at Pinnguaq’s Iqaluit Makerspace. Danielle was traveling to Kenya to represent Canada at the United Nations Environment Assembly aboard flight ET302 when it crashed in Ethiopia.

“Danielle was a passionate educator, and a true inspiration for everyone she worked with - her peers, and the children at the Makerspace, who called her ‘the girl with the robots.’” says Ryan Oliver, Founder & CEO of Pinnguaq. “I can’t think of a better way to remember her, and broaden her legacy, than supporting these youth in achieving their dreams, just as she did.”

Pinnguaq has partnered with the Moore family to provide funding to maintain the Scholarship for at least ten years, and is in talks with potential partners to expand not just the longevity, but also the scope of the Scholarship.

“Our first two recipients are at varying stages of education,” says Oliver. “With Danielle’s family, we chose the two candidates we believe best captured Danielle’s spirit and her passion for Nunavut

communities, the environment and teaching”. 11 applicants applied to the scholarship in 2022. “Every applicant to the scholarship was worthy. The hardest part was having to narrow this down.”

Jeanna Kilabuk-Qaqqasiq of Pangnirtung is entering her third year of the NTEP program. Her goal is to teach in her home community is a match with Danielle’s passion for education across Nunavut.

Kylie Angutimarik of Igloolik will be studying in her second year of the Fur Design program. Her work in the arts and previous leadership in community cleanups match Danielle’s artist and environmental passions.

Applications for the 2023 scholarship will be announced in January. More information is available at <https://pinnguaq.com/danielle-moore-scholarship/>.

### **About Pinnguaq**

Working alongside rural, remote, Indigenous, and other communities, Pinnguaq delivers programs to cultivate STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) skills through innovative technology, art, and play. It offers world-class Makerspaces, maker kits and activities, and works with educators to introduce children to a STEAM-based curriculum that brings learning to life.

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