



# News Release

## Winners Announced in the Nunavut at Ten Creative Challenge

**IQALUIT, Nunavut (April 17, 2009)** – The Honourable Louis Tapardjuk, Minister of Education, announced the winners in the Nunavut at Ten 10-Minute Creative Challenge Contest today. This contest asked youth from kindergarten to grade nine to celebrate Nunavut’s tenth birthday by artistically showing how Nunavut has changed over the past ten years.

“I am thrilled with the entries we received, celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Nunavut’s creation,” said Minister Tapardjuk. “Our territory’s students really understand the significance of the foundation of Nunavut and how much we have grown as a people.”

The nine winners of the creative challenge were: the student council and Tyson Angnetsiak of Ulaajuk Elementary School in Pond Inlet, Duwane Nutarariaq of Ataguttaluk High School in Igloolik, Lee Tayler of Rachel Arnngnammaktiq Elementary School in Baker Lake, Juliet Kopak of Simon Alaittuq School in Rankin Inlet, Luke Makkigak of Leo Ussak Elementary School in Rankin Inlet, Marlene Shamee of Qitiqliq Middle School in Arviat, Crystal Komak of Levi Angmak Elementary School in Arviat and Aislyn Bolt of Jimmy Hikok Ilihakvik in Kugluktuk.

Representatives from the Department of Education looked through more than 150 entries. “The selection of submissions was very impressive,” said Assistant Deputy Minister Peter Geikie. “Our students have shown a great awareness of Nunavut’s culture and traditions – from videos of dancing to ideas for new symbols of Nunavut and an outstanding array of artwork. I am delighted to have seen this effort from our young people.”

Each of the winners will receive an iPod with the slogan “Proud Nunavummiut!” in all four of Nunavut’s official languages. Ulaajuk Elementary School in Pond Inlet, Levi Angmak Elementary School in Arviat and Quqshuun Ilihakvik in Gjoa Haven will also receive new computers. Every school that participated in the challenge was entered into a draw, with one winner from each region.

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