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Subject: Graduation Statistics

#### Question:

1. For the following academic years, broken down by community and school, how many students who completed their Grade 12 education graduated with a Nunavut Secondary School Graduation Diploma:

a. 2017-2018

b. 2016-2017

c. 2015-2016

Response: Nunavut Secondary School Graduates by Community, Region and Territory 2016 to 2018

	2016	2017	2018
Nunavut Total	260	297	254
Kitikmeot	37	25	26
Cambridge Bay	12	1	6
Gjoa Haven	6	7	3
Kugaaruk	8	6	5
Kugluktuk	7	8	11
Taloyoak	4	3	1
Kivalliq	107	121	116
Arviat	31	37	38
Baker Lake	7	21	5
Chesterfield Inlet	8	5	6
Coral Harbour	9	13	10
Naujaat	14	15	18
Rankin Inlet	32	28	33
Whale Cove	6	2	6
Qikiqtani	116	151	112
Arctic Bay	11	5	5
Cape Dorset	7	6	5
Clyde River	8	14	5
Grise Fiord	4	2	4
Hall Beach	2	7	6
lgloolik	18	19	5
lqaluit	31	61	50
Kimmirut	2	1	3
Pangnirtung	18	16	9
Pond Inlet	11	9	8
Qikitarjuaq	1	3	2
Resolute Bay	0	0	0
Sanikiluaq	3	8	10
Notes:			

- 1. Because of small population sizes in the communities, graduate counts may naturally vary a lot from year to year.
- 2. The number of graduates are totalled by December 30th after the calendar year has ended in order to capture corrections after the school year.
- 3. Graduates include students who completed secondary school but excludes those who completed equivalency or upgrading programs such as PASS.

#### Question:

- 2. For the following academic years, broken down by community and school, how many students who completed their Grade 12 education graduated without being awarded a Nunavut Secondary School Graduation Diploma:
  - a. 2017-2018
  - b. 2016-2017
  - c. 2015-2016

**Response:** Graduation means that the student completed the high school graduation requirements and they were awarded a Nunavut Secondary School Diploma. If they left Grade 12 without a diploma, they did not graduate. There are no students who graduated without a diploma.

Nunavut's graduation requirements closely follow those of Alberta and other jurisdictions across Canada. Students must complete 100 credits of secondary school course work. Courses can be one, three, four or five credits, depending on total course hours. Each credit is equivalent to at least 25 hours of instruction. It should be noted that most of our students have more than the minimum 100 credits required, upon high school graduation.

#### Question:

- 3. For the following academic years, broken down by grades 10, 11 and 12, how many students received higher than a 50% score in their departmental exams:
  - a. 2017-2018
  - b. 2016-2017
  - c. 2015-2016

**Response:** Departmental exams consist of multiple subjects. Therefore students sit for multiple exams and may have received higher than 50% in some and not others. In addition to this, students may retry an exam.

For this reason, the chart below shows the **total number of exams** for which students received higher than 50%. Please note that the same student may be counted multiple times, depending on how many subjects they were examined in and whether or not they chose to retry the exam for a higher mark.

Grade 12 Departmental Exams >50%						
2016	2017	2018				
485	508	445				

#### Question:

- 4. For the following academic years, broken down by grades 10, 11 and 12, how many students who received less than 50% score in their departmental exams received credit for the course:
  - a. 2017-2018
  - b. 2016-2017
  - c. 2015-2016

**Response:** Departmental exams consist of multiple subjects. Therefore students sit for multiple exams and may have received lower than 50% in some and not others. In addition to this, students may retry an exam.

For this reason, the chart below shows the **total number of exams** for which students received lower than 50%. Please note that the same student may be counted multiple times, depending on how many subjects they were examined in and whether or not they chose to retry the exam for a higher mark.

Grade 12 Departmental Exams <50% with credit						
2016	2017	2018				
201	216	162				

#### Question:

- 5. For the following academic years, broken down by grade 10, 11 and 12, how many students were assessed as being proficient in the Inuit Language:
  - a. 2017-2018
  - b. 2016-2017
  - c. 2015-2016

**Response:** The following chart shows the number of successful course completions for courses offered in an Inuit language. This includes Inuktitut Language Arts, Inuinnaqtun Language Arts and other locally developed courses that are delivered in an Inuit language. Students that take more than one course delivered in an Inuit language will be counted multiple times.

Number of Course Completions for Courses Offered in an Inuit Language													
	2016			2017			2018				<b>Grand Total</b>		
	Gr 10	Gr 11	Gr 12	Total	Gr 10	Gr 11	Gr 12	Total	Gr 10	Gr 11	Gr 12	Total	
Inuinnaqtun	1	0	10	11	0	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	19
Inuktitut	40	46	130	216	136	382	434	952	374	174	145	693	1861
<b>Grand Total</b>	41	46	140	227	136	390	434	960	374	174	145	693	1880

### Question:

6. For the following academic years, how many Grade 12 Secondary School graduates were assessed as being bilingual:

- a. 2017-2018
- b. 2016-2017
- c. 2015-2016

## Response:

Students who graduated with a Nunavut Secondary School Diploma and successfully completed courses in more than one language are included in the table below.

Graduates With More Than One Language							
	2016	2017	2018	<b>Grand Total</b>			
Inuktitut & English	2	6	129	137			
French & English		1	11	12			
Inuinnaqtun & English		1	3	4			
Inuktitut, French & English		1		1			
<b>Grand Total</b>	2	9	143	154			