

March 31, 2017



Re: Promoting Leadership in health for African Nova Scotians
SUMMER PROGRAMS

Dear Educational Leader,

Promoting Leadership in health for African Nova Scotians (PLANS) is excited to continue our summer program for African Nova Scotian/African Canadian learners. With the generous donation from the Johnson Scholarship Foundation, we are pleased to be able to expand our offerings for 2017. This summer we will continue our ***African Nova Scotian Health Science Summer Camp*** at Dalhousie University (July 9-14) and Cape Breton University/NSCC (July 18-21), and an additional offering at St. Francis Xavier University (July 23-26). These camps will introduce learners to a variety of health professions (i.e. nursing, medicine, dentistry, etc.) through fun, hands-on and interactive programming. The camp will also consist of personal development activities (i.e. self-esteem, study skills), cultural and recreational activities.

In response to feedback from educators, families, and learners who have attended our camps in the past, we are excited to offer the ***PLANS Prep Institute*** (July 4-7) – a post-secondary preparation program for Grade 10, 11, & 12 learners with a focus on non-cognitive and academic skills to prepare for university or college and ease the transition. The institute will take place at Dalhousie and include topics in time management, note taking, goal setting, and research and presentation skills. It will also include personal development, cultural and recreational activities.

All opportunities will take place at the given institution with participants living on campus during the programs in residence, eating in the meal halls, and experience post-secondary life. All programs are open to African Nova Scotian learners enrolled in schools across the province. **Meals and accommodations are provided.** Travel is the responsibility of the student and family, however travel assistance is available. There will be a fee for those accepted to attend the camp; for extenuating circumstances a waiver may be applied.

To apply, a completed application form, letter of interest, and recommendation form from a school representative will be required. Applicants from Grades 10, 11, 12 will be required to provide proof of completion or enrollment in sciences courses – this can be a transcript, letter from teacher, Power School print out, etc. Eligibility and application information is below.

Institution	Dalhousie University		Cape Breton University/NSCC	St. FX University
Program	PLANS Prep Institute	African NS Health Sciences	African NS Health Sciences	African NS Health Sciences
Dates	July 4-7	July 9-14	July 18-21	July 23-26
Grades	10, 11, 12	8, 9, 10	8, 9, 10, 11	8, 9, 10, 11
Application Due	May 8	May 15	May 15	May 15
Fee	\$40	\$50	\$40	\$40

Please find attached a poster, application form, and reference form. Hard copies of these attachments have been sent to all schools and can be downloaded from dal.ca/health/plans. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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