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Post-secondary Education - Track Record & Campaign Promises

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 Believes education should be managed provincially, with federal standards to ensure consistency. Has launched several initiatives to make accessing education easier for low- income students and students that face other barriers to education. Currently doesn't have a published 2019 platform on the topic. Changed the Express Entry system to make it easier for international students who have studied in Canada to become permanent residents. Increased Canada Student Grants by 50% to a maximum of \$3,000 per year, but that figure still falls short in covering tuition costs. Budget 2019 announced lower interest rates for Canada Student Loans and Canada Apprentice Loans, and a new interest-free grace period after a student- loan borrower leaves school. Committed to spending \$362 million for Métis post- secondary education. 	Believes the federal government should not play a role in managing education. Currently doesn't have a published 2019 platform on the topic. Holds that provincial governments should be responsible for governing education. Proposes increasing the government's contribution to RESPs from 20 per cent to 30 per cent for every dollar invested up to \$2,500 a year.	 Believes education should be managed provincially, with federal standards to ensure consistency. Its platform includes several initiatives to remove barriers to education, including working towards making post-secondary education free. Proposes working with provinces and territories to cap and reduce tuition fees and to build towards making post-secondary education part of the public education system. Recommends eliminating interest rates on student loans. Desires to move away from loans and increase access to grants. 	 Believes education should be managed provincially, with federal standards to ensure consistency. Its platform includes several initiatives to remove barriers to education, including working towards making post-secondary education free. Proposes increasing federal transfers to provincial governments, earmarked and tied to post-secondary education. Will work towards abolishing tuition and student debt. Proposes increasing federal student grants by 25%. Recommends establishing a federal research program aimed at reducing barriers to post-secondary education. Proposes exempting academic materials from the GST and/or any other federal sales taxes that may be implemented in the future. Will press to remove unnecessary barriers hindering the recognition of valid professional credentials of immigrants.



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