SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
Reporting to Public Session Tuesday, January 12, 2016

1. Career Education-Industry Training Programs

Grade 11 and 12 students who are in enrolled in either the Ace-It (Accelerated Credit Enrollment in Industry Training), Industry Certification, or Industry Connect Programs in the school district get a head start, with on the job training while in high school.

The current options for students in ACE-It programs in the school district include the Professional Cooks Training Program at Burnaby Central Secondary, Construction Electrician Program at Burnaby Mountain, Carpentry and Automotive Technician Program at Ecole Cariboo Secondary and the Hairstylist program at Ecole Alpha Secondary.

Other students may choose study options in Industry Certification or Industry Connect Programs. Industry Certification programs include Computer Networking Technician (Cisco Academy) at Burnaby South Secondary, Fitness Leadership Instructor at Ecole Alpha Secondary and Hotel and Event Management at Burnaby Mountain Secondary. The Industry Connect Programs include Digital Sound Production at Burnaby North Secondary, Film and Broadcasting at Burnaby North Secondary, Graphic/Media Arts at Byrne Creek Secondary and Mechatronics (Robotics) at Ecole Alpha Secondary.

Students applying for Industry training programs are accepted into the programs based on interest and readiness. These industry training and apprenticeship programs all provide students with the opportunity to earn secondary school graduation credits while at the same time being engaged with their learning in a career area in which they are passionate. All the programs offer in-class training and work experience. Many students in these programs move on to employment, further training or post-secondary education related to their program choice.

This evening, Garth Errico, Director of Instruction will introduce Paul Arthur, Program Consultant, Career and Transition Programs who will provide an overview of the programs. Teachers Kevin Ault from Digital Sound Production, Tim Bruderer from Construction Electrician, Greg Bernard from Carpentry and their students will share the experiences in working and learning within these program.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.