

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**  
**Reporting to Public Session, Tuesday, April 24, 2012**

**1. Burnaby School Age Initiative – *Together for Kids***

The Burnaby School Age Initiative is part of the United Way of the Lower Mainland's (UWLM) Strategy for School Age Children. United Way funded research indicates that an increasing number of children are experiencing a rising sense of social isolation. Many children want to be more engaged in activities that build their competence, physical health and connectedness.

*Together for Kids* is a program designed to create a sustainable, long-term relationship between individual schools and local businesses in the Burnaby community. The idea is to establish one-to-one relationships that would provide schools with materials and volunteer resources which would enhance the school and after-school programming experience for children. The program provides businesses with an opportunity to contribute to the community, both financially and through the development of a volunteer program that meets the unique needs of their partner schools and the interests and skills of participants.

This evening, Trustees will have the opportunity to see the unique relationship that has emerged between local businesses, CH2M Hill and Grand and Toy, and Maywood Community School. Gilmore Community School Coordinator, Lawrence Ryan, a member of the Burnaby School Age Initiative and videographer of the project, and Maywood Community School Coordinator, Gayle Beavil, will share how the relationship with the local business has unfolded. Sharon Summerfield, Marketing Coordinator and Senior Executive Assistant, CH2M Hill, will share the business perspective and the benefits that her organization is receiving through this exciting partnership.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

**2. Class Size and Composition**

The provisions of Section 76 of the School Act require the Superintendent of Schools to report to the Board of Education any changes to class size and composition that occur throughout the school year. The following report outlines changes to date for 2011/2012. These updates will be reported to the Board quarterly.

		<b>Classes with 4 or more 'Designated' Students</b>									
		Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Elementary		29	30	29	30	35	37	38			
Secondary		181	175	173	174	168	166	167			
<b>Total</b>		<b>210</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>205</b>			

<b>Classes exceeding Limit / Guidelines</b>										
	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Elementary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Secondary	40	40	38	37	35	35	34			
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>34</b>			

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.