

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
Reporting to Public Session on Monday, April 9, 2018

1. Young Parent Program (YPP)

Burnaby School District has offered a program that has been designed to support pregnant and parenting students while they continue their secondary school education. The district program which began in 1995 is based at Burnaby South Secondary School. Students enrolled in this program range from 14 to 19 years of age.

The success of the Young Parent Program is due to a number of factors which include our committed community partners. These partners include Burnaby Family Life who operate the childcare component, the Ministry of Children and Family Development who provide funding for the Youth Engagement Worker and support to Burnaby Family Life childcare, and Telus who continue to support by providing annual donations used to offer meals and nutritional support for young parents and their children.

This evening, Sue Dorey, Managing Director of Safe and Caring Schools, Aaron Scaga, YPP teacher, and Alisa Farina, Youth Engagement Worker, will provide information about the program and join the Board in formally thanking our community partners.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education receive this information.

2. Burnaby Association for South East Side (BASES)

Supporting and developing community is a core value of education in Burnaby. Cultivating strong partnerships in our community is an important component in ensuring the needs of both students and families are being met.

The Burnaby Association for South East Side (BASES) is an organization that strives to support a community where all children and families are able to develop strong foundations for an independent, positive future. BASES has helped to assist at-risk children and families by fund-raising to provide a variety of program opportunities.

A valued partner with the Burnaby School District, BASES has provided significant grants at the district level and for community and non-community schools, to develop programs that foster academic, physical and personal potential. Programs such as homework clubs, breakfast programs, sports and arts activities, mentorship programs and community kitchens are examples of the valuable contributions BASES has made.

This evening, Director of Instruction, Peter Dubinsky will introduce Sharon Domaas, who will provide an overview of the work BASES has done in Burnaby. She will be followed by Jennifer Griffin, Principal of Stride Avenue Community School, Philippa McLoughlin, Connect Worker from Stride Community School and Lana Horton, Connect Worker from Morley Elementary school. They will be sharing examples of how contributions from BASES have supported students.

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