

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**  
**Reporting to Public Session on Tuesday, June 27, 2023**

**1. Youth Work in Trades Award**

The Youth Work in Trades Program provides skill development through practical, hands-on work experience. Students in grades 10 – 12 who are enrolled in the program have the opportunity to work as trades apprentices while attending secondary school at the same time. Students are formally registered with the Skill Trades BC as youth apprentices while earning credits towards their graduation program.

Registered youth apprentices who meet required criteria, including graduating with a Grade 12 Dogwood Diploma or Adult Dogwood, successfully completing the Youth Work in Trades coursework, maintaining a prescribed grade point average, and reporting a minimum of 900 hours of work to the Skill Trades BC, are eligible for the Youth Work in Trades Award. The \$1000 award is intended to help apprentices to continue in the trades and pay for their next level of technical training, or purchase tools and equipment.

The Burnaby School District has 6 recipients of this award this year. In addition, 29 students are currently registered as apprentices with Skill Trades BC and are now busy accumulating work-based hours for this year's awards.

With 120 students currently registered in the Youth Work in Trades Programs, Burnaby's registered apprentices continue to grow. Nick Christofides, Director of Instruction, and Allison McKillop, District Program Consultant, Career Education and Transition Programs will acknowledge the successes of the program and the impressive achievements of the students.

**Recommendation:**

THAT the Board of Education receive the information