

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
Reporting to Public Session on Tuesday, March 12, 2024

1. Robotics

Students from Alpha Secondary are the provincial robotics champions. They and their peers from two additional teams, including students from the District's Robotics (Mechatronics) program, took the top titles at BC Provincial Championship Vex Robotics Competition held in March. The three teams have now qualified to compete at the Vex Robotics World Championship to be held in Dallas, Texas in April. Collectively, the three teams with students from Alpha, Moscrop and Cariboo Hill Secondary schools earned the BC Provincial Champion title, the judge's Innovate Award, the Championship Finalist Award, and the Championship Excellence Award.

This evening, students and staff from Alpha Secondary will speak about the program and share their experiences.

Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

2. Student Athlete Provincial Wins

Student athletes from across the Burnaby School District have been earning banners and podium spots as the winter sports season wraps up. The Table Tennis team from Burnaby North Secondary are the Provincial BC Secondary Schools Girls Champions. Congratulations to Grade 12 student Sabrina Pastori, Grade 10 student Louise Fan, Grade 10 student Amy Qian, Grade 10 student Melissa Shen, and Grade 9 student Joanna Wan.

While at Cariboo Hill Secondary, three students have made school history. They are the first wrestlers from Cariboo Hill to win provincials, and the first athletes from the school to earn a BC championship banner since 1986. Congratulations to: Grade 12 student Tehya Chew, who won Gold in the 69kg weight class; her sister, Grade 9 student Rylie Chew, who earned Gold in the 54kg class, and Grade 9 student Kai Pare, who took Silver in the 57kg class. Together, they are the 2024 Girls Wrestling Team Provincial Champions.

This evening, students and staff from Burnaby North Secondary School's Table Tennis team will share their experiences competing in this event.

Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education receive this information.