

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Reporting to Public Session on Tuesday, November 26, 2024

1. Supporting Newcomers Through Trades Training

The Government of British Columbia proclaimed this week, November 25 to 29, as Careers Week. The week showcases the commitment in the province to work with educators and education partners to support career education and expand students' knowledge of diverse career pathways.

As part of the focus this week, the Burnaby School District is shining a spotlight on its Youth Employment and Skills Strategy Program, also known as the YESS Program. With federal funding from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada, the program is supported by staff in the District's Career Education Department and Settlement Workers in Schools Program. Newcomer youth are mentored and learn about things such as resume writing, interview training, potential career paths and practical skills through counselling, workshops,