



World Class Learning in a Rural Environment

January 10, 2017
Superintendent/Secretary Treasurer Report
*Presented at the Education Partnership Committee,
 and Regular Meeting of the Board of Education*

My Education BC: Student Enrollment Numbers														
As of:	Jan 5-17													
Grade:	Gr.K	Gr.1	Gr.2	Gr.3	Gr.4	Gr.5	Gr.6	Gr.7	Gr.8	Gr.9	Gr.10	Gr.11	Gr.12	TOTALS
BAS														0
DL	3	2	2	2	2	3	2	1	2	3	2	1	10	35
EES	1	1	1	1	8	3	4	4						23
LESS	8	3	11	5	9	9	5	5	6	8	5		6	80
NES	14	22	19	19	24	22	17	32						169
NSS									28	30	23	25	39	145
TOTAL Per Grade	26	28	33	27	43	37	28	42	36	41	30	26	55	
District Total														452

1. Enrollment notes – Up 6 students overall since September 30th count of 446

- 1 student more at LESS, NES, NSS and 1 fewer student at DL (up 2 overall since December)
- We are still awaiting the five Somalian children from the refugee family moving to New Denver

2. Welcome to our new Band and Music teacher!

- Michael Butterfield is the new Music teacher at Nakusp Secondary and Nakusp Elementary School
- From Nelson, Mr. Butterfield has decades of music teaching experience in BC, and is a practicing musician as well

3. January 23rd Pro-D Day Plans

- **Integrating Environmental Education with the Revised Curriculum** is the theme of our Shared ALTA/District Pro-D day in January
 - CBEEN (Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network) educator, Monica Nissen, will facilitate the morning session demonstrating how environmental education and place-consciousness can be integrated into the revised curriculum
 - A panel of SD 10 teachers will provide guidance and tips on organizing field studies, on conducting risk assessments, and will share ideas on embedding curricular outcomes and core competencies into field study trips in the morning
 - Experiential activities and opportunities to connect the professional learning to teaching practice will be integrated throughout the day

4. SD 10, a Premier's Innovation and Excellence Award Finalist

- SD 10 is the proud recipient of a 2016 Finalist Premiers Award in recognition of our innovation and excellence implementing a CNCP Carbon Neutral Capital Program solar grant in 2015
- Grade 11 and 12 students learned key solar industry skills as they installed solar panels at NES and Lucerne Schools in October 2015, as was documented in a film on our district Video Gallery: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O3MaTds1LAQ&feature=youtu.be>
- In total, the two projects cost \$100,000, of which 50% was provided by the Ministry CNCP grant
- The district has recently hired an independent solar consultant to analyse the data and report to the Board on the energy production and savings generated by the two solar installations

5. Shoulder Tappers Grant - \$17,500 received for enhancing skills and trades training opportunities

- We were successful in receiving a Shoulder Tappers grant in the amount of \$17,500 as reported in a December 16th Ministry press release: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2016EDUC0275-002625>
- The funds will be used to connect students with local tradespeople, makers and builders through the district-wide *Design Thinking* Initiative (13 local artists, makers and builders)
- The Shoulder Tappers grant will enhance support to students with Aboriginal ancestry through collaboration with our Aboriginal Education Council and Elders, as well as create deep learning experiences with local and regional Aboriginal tradespeople and artists
- We will integrate coding in elementary and secondary classrooms through partnerships with SET-BC and GLOWS and have teams involved in the 2017 RoboGames; and we held a district Maker Day

6. SOGI Update

- Updated school Codes of Conduct and Board policies compliant with SOGI (Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity) are now, or soon will be, online on the district and school websites
- NSS has an active Gay Straight Alliance club and are looking at the possibility of a “Rainbow Crosswalk” in the Village of Nakusp and talking with Village officials

7. CR4YR Award at Learning Forward

- Maureen Dockendorf and BC’s CR4YR (Changing Results for Young Readers), were recognized at the recent Learning Forward conference with an award. Changing Results was seen as an example of effective professional learning and was also highlighted in the just-released study of professional learning in Canada

http://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/learning_forwards_pd_watch/2016/12/award_winners_exemplify_the_standards_for_professional_learning.html

- Our SD 10 district CR4YR team continues to support a strong group of educators all dedicated to improving success for learners in the areas of reading and writing. This year, 8 teachers are on the CR team along with one of our UBC-WKTEP pre-service teachers

8. Fresh Grade Update

- Director of Learning, Lorna Newman, has arranged for two professional learning sessions in using Fresh Grade, the electronic reporting, ePortfolio and communication software
- Vice Principal, Jason MacAllister from Osoyoos Elementary, will come out in late February to work with interested teachers on sound e-portfolio assessment practices and step-by-step implementation of the software

9. Successful Maker Day/Skills Exploration Day held January 4, 2017

- Dr. Susan Crichton, Director of the Innovative Learning Centre at UBC-Okanagan facilitated a very successful Maker Day last week
- 80 students participated: Lucerne Grade 7/8/9s, Edgewood Grade 7s, and NSS Grade 8/9s
- The students had lots of fun working together on a Design Challenge looking to find problems and solutions to natural disasters and ways in which nature causes challenges in our communities
- Many thanks to our panel of community experts: Ann Bunka, Mayor of New Denver, Karen Hamling, Mayor of Nakusp, Terry Warren, Nakusp Fire Chief and Emergency Management Coordinator, Lee Bellamy and Taylor from the RCMP! They presented the challenges our communities face in the wake of the forces of nature from bears in the villages to mudslides and forest fires, making the design challenge authentic and relevant.
- Big thanks also to teachers, Ken Barisoff, Michael Myhal, and Sheena Delong for their help organizing the toolkits, Maker Pantry and setting up!
- Students learned hands on skills and engaged in design thinking, created amazing prototypes and very engaging solutions to real world problems
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10. Youth Capital Trades Program Grant Submission

- It's been a busy time over the past month as our Shop teachers, Foods teachers, Principals and district senior leadership team have been working hard on preparing a large submission for funding of replacement and new equipment for Trades and Technology programs at both high schools
- There is a total of \$15,000,000 allocated to this province-wide grant program and district submissions were due on January 6th
- We submitted the following total requests as the Ministry encouraged us to ask for all that we needed to revitalize trades and tech program equipment.
 - Year #1 - \$549,658
 - Year #2 - \$437,373
 - Year #3 - \$19,700
- Many thanks to Ken Barisoff, Michael Myhal, Christina Barisoff, Patti Sebben, Trish Hawkins, Peter Gajda, Susan Brenna-Smith, Lorna Newman, Art Olson and Michelle Grenier for your efforts. Big job well done! Fingers are crossed!

11. Supreme Court Decision Update

- The District and local teachers' Union are working together to collect data, analyse 1996 – 2002 local language in collective agreements, and consider the impact of previous class size and composition and committee language within the 2017 landscape of education
- With last Thursday's announcement of an additional interim \$50,000,000 for February to June to be added to BC classrooms to address class size and composition needs, we await precise details on how to move forward with posting and filling for new teachers
- Given the amount of funding provincially, we estimate a similar amount of staffing will be allocated as with the annual Learning Improvement Fund (LIF), so likely between 1.0 and 1.5 teacher FTE from February to June
- Consultation between union and the employer, and reporting on how the funding is used will follow a similar structure to LIF

12. ICSEI Conference Presentations a Success

- Superintendent presented two workshops and a paper at ICSEI, the International Congress of School Effectiveness and Improvement at the January 6-10th conference as follows:
 - Along with 8 other superintendents and University of Victoria researcher, Dr. Catherine McGregor, she presented SD 10 work in the Inquiring Districts consortium research
 - She co-presented a workshop with Dean Goodman, Director of Accountability at the Ministry of Education, and Lynne Tomlinson, Director of Instruction from SD 45, West Vancouver on the *Framework for Enhancing Student Learning* and new forms of evidence of learning, and
 - With Dr. Leyton Schnellert, presented a paper on the district *Collaborating to Engage All Learners* team as an exemplar of powerful professional learning and practitioner-scholar inquiry
- ICSEI is an international conference with K-12 and post-secondary researchers and practitioners from over 80 countries around the world attending and sharing current educational research and practice