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# Report from Henning Drive

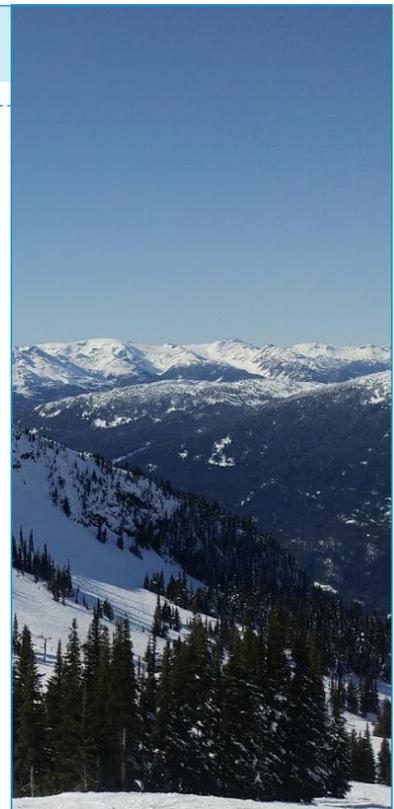
## DISTRICT TECHNOLOGY

All teachers will receive a memo from the District regarding a District initiated Tech Upgrade plan. In short, through a gradual roll out process the District will be providing mobile technology for each and every teacher as needed for instructional duties. The District has determined two default models that will be provided as desktops are gradually removed. Included in this plan is an option for educators to request higher quality tech resource at a buy-in, investment cost to the teacher. Teachers will have until January 11th to inform the District as to whether you will a) opt for the default model, b) defer for two years (where higher quality mobile devices are already being used as purchased through school funds, or c) opt to buy-in to a higher quality device. We are assured by the District that the default models that will be provided (with no buy-in cost) will meet the needs of classroom teachers. You are advised by your union to not buy-in to any upgrades that you deem are a necessary instructional tool, as the union holds the position that needed instructional resources should be provided by the employer. Please read the District memo carefully and stay tuned for further commentary on this that will be relayed through school staff representatives at the next Representative Assembly.

## COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR

The BTA is once again putting together a team to walk for the Coldest Night of the Year event hosted by Burnaby Community Services and The Society to End Homelessness in B.C. Come walk 5km with Burnaby teachers and community groups to raise awareness and funds to combat homelessness in Burnaby. The event takes place February 23 at 4pm starting at Marlborough Elementary School. Check out the link below if you want to walk with us this year or if you are able to donate money to our team.

<https://secure.e2rm.com/registant/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=837980&langPref=en-CA>



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Call for BCTF AGM Delegates Submission (see page 4)
- GM/RA  
4pm  
January 15th,  
2019  
Burnaby Central

## SOCK-IT-TO-POVERTY

The BTA Social Justice Committee once again coordinated this year's Sock-it-to-Poverty Campaign. This is the **10<sup>th</sup> Annual Sock-it-to-Poverty Campaign** to help combat poverty in Burnaby. Thank you for your donations, these items will be given to The Society to End Homelessness in Burnaby for distribution in Burnaby. Staff and Students donated the following totals.



Left: Donations collected from Staff and Students in Burnaby.

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\$ 675	Cash Donations	74	Cakes of soap
308	Pairs of Socks	50	Bottles of Shampoo
3	Pairs of Leggings / tights	52	Bottles of Conditioner
25	Scarfs	28	Bottles of Body Wash
18	Hats / Toques	67	Bottles of Body Lotion
34	Pairs of gloves and mittens	3	Sewing Kits
3	Jackets	6	Shoe Shine
30	Dental (tooth brushes, toothpaste, floss, mouthwash	7	Shower Caps
		16	Vanity Kits
		8	Shaving Kits
10	Travel Packs	Miscel- (Hair paste, lip	
3	Deodorant	aneous	balm, clothes wash, feminine products)

## CURRICULUM IMPLEMENTATION

Curriculum Implementation Day is Monday January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019. This is a chance for teachers to further familiarize themselves with the new curriculum. This day is a teacher driven day and an opportunity for teachers to collaborate with their colleagues around the district.

For more information regarding Curriculum Implementation Day, please take a look at:

<https://bctf.ca/IssuesInEducation.aspx?id=5646>

### What are the options for Burnaby Teachers?

1. Work on your own or collaborate with colleagues at your home school site
2. Collaborate with colleagues at other school sites
3. Attend a staff development workshop
4. Attend other relevant workshops

There are options being offered on the Staff Development Calendar. Please take a look to see if there are any events that you are interested in. This site is being updated as things are coming up, so keep checking if you haven't found anything you are interested in yet. **Please be sure to register for an event that you would like to attend, as some events have limited capacity.** A link has been added for your convenience:

<https://learn.burnabyschools.ca/index.php/events-calendar>

### Featured Workshops which are currently being offered on the Staff Development Calendar:

**Standard-Based Assessment for Secondary Teachers @ Burnaby Mountain 9am -12pm** Contact: Christina Fernandes

**Struggling Readers for Grades 3-9 @ Burnaby Central** Contact: Tanis Anderson

**Integrating Indigenous Content for ELL teachers @ DLRC** Contact: Anne Thorup

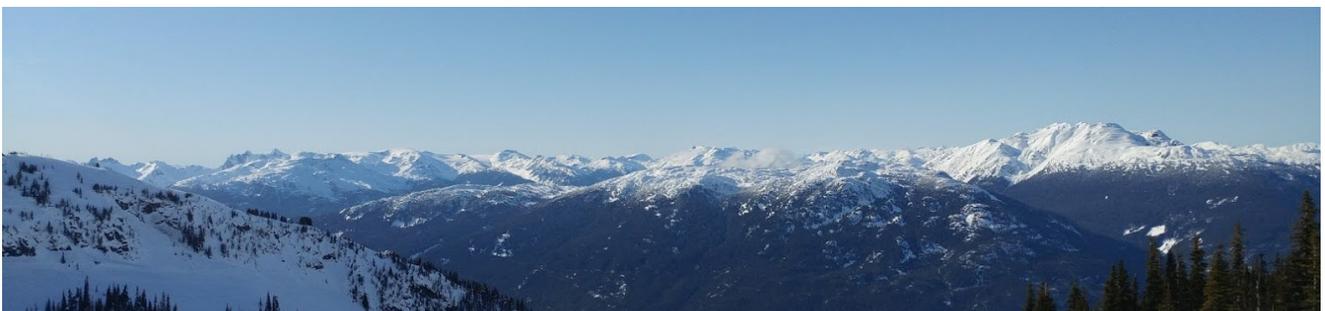
This workshop is open to ELL teachers K-12. Teachers will be given a number of authentic indigenous resources to explore and consider how they might use them in their classes. Time will be given to plan and share.

**Place Based Learning @ Burnaby Lake Pavilion, Sponsored by:** Burnaby Local Environmental Educators PSA and Staff Development/ Donna Morgan

Join your colleagues to dive into using the local outdoor environment to connect students to place and to infuse indigenous perspective into your practice.

Additionally, there are other great learning opportunities and events that are being offered. The FNESC website is advertising a few events for the day as well. Please see the attached website for you convenience:

<http://www.fnesc.ca/events-lfp/>





# CALL FOR DELEGATES

to the  
BC Teachers' Federation

**103<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**MARCH 16 to MARCH 19, 2019**

DELEGATES are NEEDED to represent the Burnaby Teachers' Association at the BCTF Annual General Meeting at the Victoria Conference Centre from March 16 to March 19, 2019

ALL BTA members are welcome to apply. DELEGATES will be ELECTED at the BTA General Meeting, Tuesday, JANUARY 15, 2019. (Burnaby Central @ 4:00 pm)

According to BTA Policy, written statements from candidates for AGM delegates will be distributed in advance of the General Meeting where delegates are elected.

Please email your name with a brief statement to the BTA office at [bta3@bctf.ca](mailto:bta3@bctf.ca) or fax to (604) 294-9846 by noon on **Monday JANUARY 7** for distribution at the General Meeting. Statements should BRIEFLY outline (in 200 words or less) your reasons for wanting to be a BTA delegate.

**Thank you for your consideration  
and hope to see you there!**

**AGM**