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SD 57 and CNC sign new Education Partnership Agreement

CNC and School District 57 signed an Education Partnership Agreement during the College’s board meeting Friday, which ensures high school students will continue to have access to Career Technical Centre (CTC) trades training at CNC.

The Chairs of both boards signed the Education Partnership Agreement, which will be reviewed annually to ensure high school students in the Prince George region have access to trades and other training and education opportunities at CNC.

“The Education Partnership Agreement expands the relationship between CNC and SD 57 to include other trades and skills training not previously considered,” said Sharel Warrington, Chair of School District 57. “An example is Power Engineering, which will now have seats available to high school students for the first time.”

The expanded relationship will also see the CTC Heavy Duty Mechanic/Commercial Transport Foundation program continue as a dual-credential, 40 week cohort program of 16 high school students.

“CTC is an excellent program, which basically gives high school students 2 for 1 credit for College and high school at the same time,” said CNC Board Chair Keith Playfair. “We wanted to sign this new agreement to ensure the program survives long-term to meet the needs of students, both organizations, the growing resource sector and the province’s Skills for Jobs Blueprint.”

Eight other CTC programs will be offered in a blended model with adult programs, they include: Electrical Foundation, Carpentry Foundation, Automotive Service Foundation, Professional Cook Levels 1 and 2, Plumbing Foundation, Industrial Mechanic/Machinist Foundation, Welding Foundation, Power Engineering

“The blended models were necessary to ensure the trades classes are fully subscribed moving forward,” said Bryn Kulmatycki, CNC Vice-President Academic. “Neither institution can afford to subsidize undersubscribed programs, so this new relationship ensures trades classes will have the best chance of being filled in the future. CNC has a long standing relationship with School District 57 to ensure the academic journey for the students in our region is relevant and rewarding.”

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