

## **Reporting to Public Session Tuesday, January 27, 2015**

### **1. Multi-Age Cluster Class (MACC) Program**

The Multi-Age Cluster Class Program is an interdisciplinary, inquiry-based program for high-ability learners seeking heightened cognitive and creative challenges in an inclusive and supportive community of intellectual peers. The program, which began this fall, provides enrichment for high-ability learners whose cognitive, personal and social skills may be developing at varying rates. It serves students in grades 4-7 and is currently located at Capitol Hill Elementary School.

This evening, Director of Instruction Wanda Mitchell and Advanced Learning Helping Teacher Jennifer Carson will provide a brief overview of the district's MACC Program. They will be joined by students Aditya Naithani, Catherine Wong and Bereket Ashebir who will share their experiences in the program.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

### **2. Advanced Placement Capstone Program**

The Advanced Placement Capstone Program began this fall and is designed for grade 11 and 12 students. It is an inquiry-based approach to learning that fosters critical and creative thinking. It builds on skill development using university-level curricula focussing on core academic skills, while expanding students` ability to research and defend arguments. Students work with information from various perspectives, applying skills in a cross-curricular context.

This evening, Director of Instruction Wanda Mitchell, Burnaby South teacher Amos Lee and Burnaby North teacher Laurent Scaligine will provide a brief overview of the district's AP Capstone Program. They will be joined by Burnaby South student, Brendan Wong and Burnaby North student Ariel Cao who will provide insight into their experiences in the program.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.