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DESIGN ACHIEVEMENTS

- Two teams from Cameron Elementary are amongst the top ten chosen to represent Canada in the 2017 Technovation Challenge, an entrepreneurship program for girls that encourages the development of mobile apps that address community problems. The “Tech Girls” app combines healthy food choices and exercise while the “Tech Turtles” app warns the public of nearby wildlife and provides related safety tips. Thank you to teacher **Micheline Kamber** and parent **Erica Castellanos** for your mentorship.
- Students in Burnaby South’s Applied Inter-Disciplinary Design course have been making their mark at the Sears-DX Canadian High School Design Contest since the course began in 2014. This year, the senior team of **Camille Dansereau** and **Amanda Cheung** placed 2nd in both Industrial and Fashion Design. Two other teams from South placed third. They received cash prizes and their designs are on exhibit in Toronto.
- Intermediate students from 16 elementary schools recently competed in the Skills Canada ADST “Float Your Boat” challenge. Each team collaborated on the design and construction of their cardboard boats before racing them across Kensington Outdoor Pool. **Parkcrest, Chaffey-Burke** and **Lochdale** were the ultimate winners!

ARTISTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- Intermediate students were invited by the City to create art that showcases what they love about Burnaby to celebrate its 125th anniversary. **Ella** and **Jayee** from Suncrest Elementary, **Margaret** from Sperling Elementary and **Grace** from Taylor Park Elementary were recognized at a Council meeting for their picture perfect art.
- There were some BIG awards given out to Byrne Creek students at the BC Student Film Festival. **Sopithan Rajeswaran** won the “Most Promising Senior Filmmaker” plus “Best Senior Narrative Drama” awards for his film “GONE.” Quinn Pickering won “Best Sound Design” and “Musical Talent” awards for his music video *Make a Fire*.

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S.T.E.A.M. ACHIEVEMENTS

- Students from Byrne Creek Community School were invited to Electronic Arts recently to demonstrate their integrated learning of Science, Tech, Engineering, Arts, and Math using EA's product Play-to-Learn. They also enjoyed tours of the Capture Lab and the EA campus.
- The District's "Science in Everyday Life" Video Contest encourages students to take a deeper look at the science around them through student inquiry, creative and critical thinking, and communication. We appreciated the imaginative and enlightening videos received by elementary and secondary schools alike. Test your science savvy and view the top videos online. [View Here](#)
- Moscrop dominated the 2017 Fryer Math Contest. They were #1 in Canada and tied for #1 internationally. Additionally, 4 of the 8 Canadians who scored 38/40 and up were Moscrop students. Congratulations **Simon Huang, Jack Liu, Angel Liu, Chandler Ma** and **Anna Roj-rattan-a-chai**, and their teacher **Danny Young**.

SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

- A number of district students made their mark at the BC track & field event. Burnaby Mountain's **Hannah Vorell** picked up silver in the Grade 8 girls 400m, Burnaby South's **Diego Medrano** won silver in the senior boys 110m hurdles, Burnaby Central's **Ryan Goudron** placed third in the 1500m and 3000m events and Central's grade 8 boys earned silver in the 4 X 400m relay.
- Not only did Burnaby North host the BC AAA senior girls' soccer championships – they garnered a spot in the playoffs too. The team displayed tremendous hospitality coupled with excellent skill matched against top BC rivals.
- And best wishes from the Board of Education to Burnaby Central student and Whitecaps player **Alphonso Davies** who became a Canadian citizen last week.

**Congrats to all who were highlighted tonight -
You make us proud!**