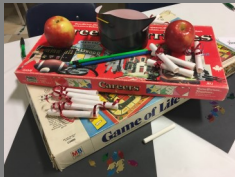




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2017 SCWEA Conference Highlights

The gym at the Royal West Campus in Saskatoon was filled to capacity with 80 plus conference participants at this year’s SCWEA Conference held on November 3.



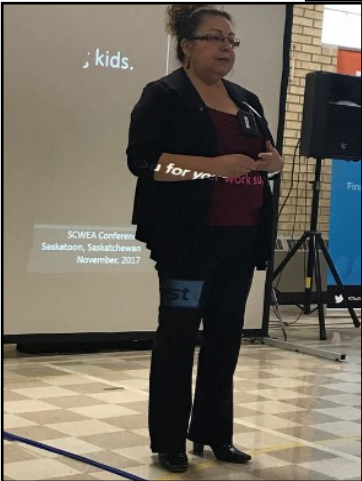
This year’s conference, “A Goal Without A Plan is Just A Wish” was jam packed with presentations and information in support of the province’s quest to improve graduation rates by putting the tools in place to assist all grade 9 students to develop and maintain a Graduation and Post-Graduation plan.

A huge thank you to our ESSP conference partner and sponsor for making this Professional Development event a reality!

In separate presentations, Tony Baldwin, Director PSSD and Barbara McKinnon, SK Ministry, provided the history, where we are currently and a look at where we are going in relation to the importance of the ESSP Graduation Rate Outcome.



“Every School division and First Nations education authority in the province will develop a strategy for all Grade 9 students to have a graduation and post-graduation plan, and establish a process for maintaining those plans through Grade 12.”



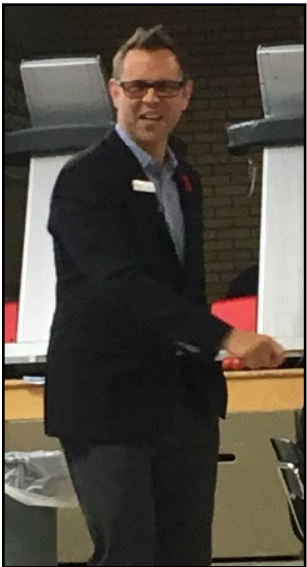
Maureen Johns provided insight on First Nations perspectives and ways to better support our FN students.

“Belief that there is a goal we can obtain and a path that we can follow creates hope.”

(Snyder, et al. 1991)



Lee Taal from ChatterHigh entertained the audience with his humorous and informative address. Lee stressed that the more pathways we can see and make students aware of, the better. We need to help them become more engaged and improved Graduation Rates will follow.

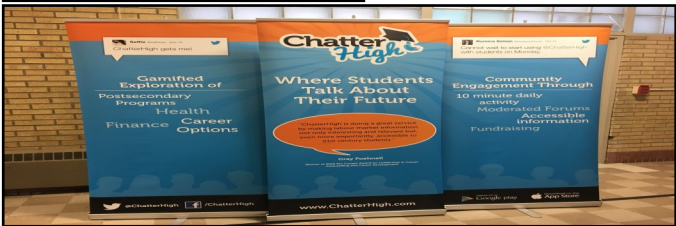


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- www.chatterhigh.com
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Daphne Morin from myBlueprint provided a keynote address in addition to providing a hands-on breakout session that highlighted the various features of this powerful career planning tool.

A Graduation and Post-Graduation Plan Package was created by the myBlueprint Team to support SK educators and was shared with participants.

To download this and other myBlueprint resources visit www.myBlueprint.ca/support > Resources.

2017 SCWEA Awards

TYSON SNELLING - Recognition of Service Award presented for his tireless dedication, passion and commitment to educating and inspiring northern educators and student in Career Development.

GIL SILBERSTEIN and the my-Blueprint Team - Award of Excellence presented for their dedication, passion and commitment to furthering Career Development in Saskatchewan.

ROYAL WEST CAMPUS - Friends of SWEA Award presented for their ongoing support of student in Career Development and mentorship.



Thank you to Tammy Girolami, Principal and the staff at the Royal West Campus for their partnership at this year's conference!

GRADUATION AND POST GRADUATION PLAN WALL WALK SUMMARIES (Google Drive/Docs)

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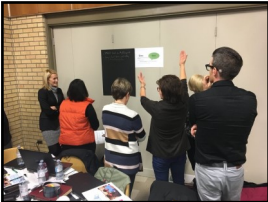
Canadian Armed Forces Senior Recruiter, Juli Nyiri, highlighted a variety of programs for students, resources for teachers and military career pathways in her presentation. Her powerpoint is available on the Google Doc information given below.

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Paul Blanestijn, Youth apprenticeship Manager with the Saskatchewan Apprenticeship & Trade Certification Commission, shared numerous resources teachers and students can access such as the SYA program and middle level classroom presentations. His powerpoint is available on the Google Doc information given below.



Wall Walk—Unpacking the Grade 9 and Beyond Graduation/Post Graduation Plan



In the wall walk activity conference delegates took a closer look at the contents of the Grade 9 Grad/Post Graduation plan. This activity was an opportunity to discuss and share ideas, activities and best practices in each area of the plan:

- Looking Within . . . Personal Inventories & Activities (ex. Skills, interests, Multiple Intelligences, learning styles, etc.)*
- Looking at the Facts . . .*
 - Grade 10 – 12 Course Options
 - Grade 11 and 12 course options outlined as possibilities with a tentative schedule for completing the graduation requirements
 - Understanding of pre-requisites to secondary courses and graduation requirements
- Looking for Information . . .*
 - Identify Areas of Interest
 - Exploration of a broad range of career pathways
- Looking at Strengths . . . Personal career documentation such as a resume, cover letter, Young Workers Readiness Certificate, etc.*
- Looking to the Future . . . Stated goals for school, personal and/or community belonging and engagement for the current year and beyond.*
- Looking for Support . . . An opportunity to share and discuss the plan with an identified supportive adult such as a family member, teacher or other trusted adult.*



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Canada Education Savings Program

Through the Canada Education Savings Program, the Government of Canada encourages early planning and savings for a child’s post-secondary education using Registered Education Savings Plans (RESPs). RESP savings grow tax-free until withdrawn to pay for post-secondary education. According to the Government of Canada, research shows that children with education savings are more likely to attend post-secondary education, less likely to have student loans, and usually graduate with less debt.



The Government of Canada offers two savings initiatives linked to RESPs—the Canada Savings Grant and the Canada Learning Bond. The Canada Education Savings Grant is available until the calendar year in which the beneficiary turns 17. It consists of a basic grant of 20% on the first \$2,500 in annual personal contributions as well as an additional amount. This grant is available to all Canadians, regardless of their family income. The Canada Learning Bond is available for children from low-income families born in 2004 or later and provides an initial payment of \$500 plus \$100 for each year of eligibility, up to age 15, for a maximum of \$2,000. Personal contributions are not required to receive the Canada Learning Bond. More information regarding RESPs and the federal education savings incentives is available at <http://www.canada.ca/education-savings>.

Reminder....Education Savings Week is November 19-25, 2017!

Young Worker Readiness Certificate Course (YWRCC) Teacher Webinar

Employment Standards is hosting a webinar for teachers who use or would like to use the Young Workers’ Readiness Certificate Course (YWRCC) in their classrooms. The YWRCC was developed for 14- and 15-year-olds to learn about their rights and responsibilities in the workplace. The webinar will provide technical information about the course and give participants a chance to ask questions about using the course in the classroom.

Topics:

- How to use the YWRCC
- Common Technical Issues
- Teacher Questions

The webinar will run from 3:45 to 4:45 on November 22. Register at <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7601861052529069313>

Webinar ID: 462-823-699

Please contact lrwswebinarteam@gov.sk.ca if you have any questions.

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