

# MANITOBA EDUCATION

## LEARNING AND OUTCOMES BRANCH (LOB) UPDATES

REPORT- 2021 November

### STCDU Updates:

1. The Skills, Technology and Career Development Unit (STCDU) is responsible for subject areas such as Technical-Vocational Education (TVE), Industrial Arts (IA), Human Ecology (H. Ec.), Applied Commerce Education (ACE), High School Apprenticeship Program (HSAP), Financial Literacy and work experience programs.
  - **Barry Dyck** has joined STCDU as the Future Ready /Technology Education consultant. Barry comes to us following more than 30 years in education with teaching experiences spanning from grade 4 to teaching university teacher candidates.
  - The **Career Development Consultant** position will be filled in the near future
2. **MB Education COVID-19 updates:** The most recent Manitoba Education Covid-19 information can be found here: <https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/covid/>
3. **Technology Education Subject Table Handbook-** we appreciate your suggestions in order to make improvements to the 2022-2023 edition. The 2021-2022 edition is here: <https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/docs/policy/sthte/index.html>
4. **SSEEF Grants:** 1.5M is available through the 2021-22 Skills Strategy Equipment Enhancement Fund to support equipment purchases for Technical Vocational Education and Industrial Arts programming in Manitoba. The applications are in the late stages of adjudication and are expected to go to the Minister's office for approval soon.
5. **BEST Strategy:** The priority work within the STCDU will continue to focus on Pillar 3.4 of the **Better Education Starts Today (BEST)** strategy, "Build pathways to post-secondary education, training and employment."  
<https://bettereducationmb.ca/>
6. **STEAM Update:** David Wall and David Waitowicz are leading the development of a Manitoba STEAM framework that will potentially be infused in all curriculums as they are reviewed and updated. This is still in the early stages. Working groups and an advisory committee will be formed in the next month.
7. **Curriculum Updates:**
  - a. **Employment, Training & Workplace Ready:** Manitoba Education is developing a new curriculum (Code 9809 - Employment, Training & Workplace Ready). It is a theory based workplace curriculum that complements the HSAP program. The draft will be posted in Spring of 2022

- b. Letters and forms have been sent to school divisions requesting nominations for teachers to join the following committees to update the following curricula. The deadline for nominations is Friday, December 3, 2021.
- **Culinary Arts**
  - **Hairstyling**
  - **Refrigeration and Air Conditioning**
  - **Collision Repair and Refinishing Technology: Round 2**
- c. **Early Childhood Education (ECE) Curriculum Development**
- On October 27 we held our first in person engagement with 5 high school ECE teachers, 4 Post-Secondary, ECE Instructors, and stakeholders from the department of Families and the Manitoba Child Care Association. We worked towards consensus on the desired competencies for our graduates.
  - The next step will be a virtual engagement process whereby we will share those competencies with our employer validation group for their feedback.
8. **High School Apprenticeship Program (HSAP):** In partnership with Apprenticeship Manitoba and a group of HSAP teachers, we are conducting a mapping exercise to review the current orientation and application practices. This will result in a simplified process for students to learn about, and apply for HSAP.

Thanks to all administrators for allowing teachers to participate in these meetings.