

## **PLANNING FOR BURKE MOUNTAIN**

As the northeast corridor (Burke Mountain) continues to grow with increasing residential construction, Coquitlam School District is preparing for the future.

In February 2010, School District 43 completed a Long Range Facilities Plan which included enrolment projections and school space requirements. A follow-up to the Plan a year later, in conjunction with the City of Coquitlam, focused specifically on the Burke Mountain area, assessing current and future school needs.

A new elementary school was identified as an immediate priority. The District will continue its efforts to seek approval from the Ministry of Education to provide new facilities to meet imminent enrolment needs.

The City of Coquitlam, through its Official Community Plan, has identified possible elementary, middle and secondary school sites.

In the meantime, while the District works with the Ministry in obtaining approval for land and new schools, surrounding area schools are being readied to deal with enrolment pressures from residential development in the Burke Mountain area.

Currently, Burke Mountain is served by Leigh, Irvine and Coquitlam River Elementary Schools, Kwayqhuitlum and Minnekhada Middle Schools and Terry Fox Secondary.

If you are planning to move to the area and are unsure of which school your child will attend, please use the School Locator tool on this website:

<http://mybaragar.com/index.cfm?event=page.SchoolLocatorPublic&DistrictCode=BC43> .

Please type in your street name only and if it is not yet recognized, contact Cary Chute at 604-939-9201 local 272.