



A GRATITUDE TREE TO INSPIRE POSITIVITY

The Burnaby Youth COVID Response Team – a cross-district student-led group – wanted to lift people’s spirits during the pandemic. As part of their mission to build a sense of community amongst young people across Burnaby amid COVID-19, they came up with the “Gratitude Tree.” Students write what they are grateful for on sticky notes and place them on a painted mural of a stylized tree, as seen here at [Burnaby North Secondary](#). This tree was created at [Byrne Creek Community School](#) – all to spread gratitude and remind us to be grateful every day.

DISTRICT AND PARTNERS SUPPORT REFUGEES WITH TECHNOLOGY

Learning while navigating a new language, a new culture, and during a pandemic is made less difficult with access to technology. The District’s Settlement Workers in Schools – or SWIS workers – have been connecting students and their families who need it most with tablets, computers and the skills to use them. Through a partnership with Simon Fraser University’s Friends of Simon program and Rogers, more than 15 students who are new to Canada from seven schools across the District now have an iPad at home. At [Edmonds](#)

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