

## **TVEAC Recommendations:**

### **The Technical Vocational Education Advisory Committee (TVEAC) recommends that the Technical Vocational Initiative (TVI) ...**

1. build on and enhance image and awareness activities carried out during the first year of the Initiative, and coordinate promotional and awareness activities related to technical vocational education, applied skills training and trade career opportunities with other vested interest and stakeholder groups where possible..
2. support the development and implementation of a single high school diploma. and that such a diploma incorporate an indication of a major field of study or program.
3. promote the development and application of consistent nomenclature for technical vocational programs/courses to reflect current trade standards and linkages between Industrial Arts, Vocational programming, Apprenticeship and the Colleges, where applicable.
4. support efforts for integration, on a divisional basis, of a continuum for life-work skills exposure from early through senior years, using the existing “Blueprint for Life/Work Designs” document.
5. promote, with support from school divisions, student exposure to concepts related to practical work and trade related opportunities and support the implementation of Industrial Arts and Life skills (e.g. Home Economics) courses starting at middle years.
6. promote and support efforts to increase effective senior years school participation in the Senior Years Apprenticeship Option (SYAO). This option would be beneficial to students who do not have access to in-school technical vocational programming.
7. support the exploration, development and implementation of non-conventional delivery models so as to provide more equitable and accessible technical vocational education pathways.
8. encourage greater emphasis on, and support for, career counseling within middle and secondary schools.
9. encourage universities and colleges to include a compulsory unit on Career counseling for BEd and Vocational Education students
10. assist in developing mechanisms to provide greater access and enhanced opportunities for technical vocational specific professional development for teachers.
11. support efforts to develop applied degrees at Manitoba colleges.

### **TVEAC further recommends:**

12. that its committee membership be expanded to include representation from the operational side of COPSE.
13. that, in response to an increasing scarcity of qualified technical vocational instructors, a comprehensive review of technical vocational teacher education be initiated.
14. that through Manitoba Advanced Education and Training and Manitoba Education, Citizenship and Youth the Province continue its funding support to technical vocational programs and to extend this support and ensure its sustainability beyond the current proposed duration of the Technical Vocational Initiative.