

# **Philosophy of Technology Education**

## **Student 1**

The world is changing in a major way and the reason is Technology. To keep our children aware and informed of what it is, and what it can do, will help them to advance Technology even further. The whole point is to better the human race. To see how far we can really go. Technology is a great way of displaying one's success. Students can better their own lives by learning about Technology. Knowing the processes will guarantee a more productive and useful life. In the classroom students can work in-groups. This presents better social skills. If we teach it as we do then students will become problem solvers to help better the entire human race.

We usually hear of Technology Education being currently active in Junior and Secondary schools. This isn't the case. There are more Middle Schools today that have the program very much alive and active. Technology Education applies to all grade levels. Kindergarten all the way through to grade 12. Not all elementary schools in the lower mainland offer the program, but they should. It's obvious that the education system isn't going to teach the same level to all grades. The early grades focus on the basics of Technology. They need to understand what it is and why it is important to be included into the Education curriculum. These young students can learn the meaning of the words and apply it. For example, a grade five class should be able to use their skills learned in Technology Education and apply it to a real life situation, just as all levels should. By making Technology Education accessible to younger children in grade school, we are helping them help themselves develop through life.

When we look at a student, we can see many different things. Each student is different. They have different interests and learn at different levels. When teaching Technology Education teacher need to be careful not to lose their interest. Typically children have an attention span of only fifteen minutes, so teachers need to use that time slot wisely. Students want to put time and effort into activities that benefit them. Basically whatever they can get out of the situation is good. When a student can see how they can learn and use their knowledge to help them design and build something useful to them and impressive to others.

Teachers, just like students are different from one another. They also have different interests and expectations of their students. Everybody has his or her own type of teaching method. Some teachers might be similar to others, but we're all different from each other. As teachers we play a major role in a students life. It is us who are forming their minds, which will determine their future, especially in the Technology Education area of education. We are important in a student's life because the skills and knowledge that we teach them reflects off themselves and onto their life.