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Chinese delegates spending two weeks with CNC leadership

CNC is hosting a group of six college administrators from China for a two-week program focusing on leadership and professional development from Sept. 11 to 24.

The delegation, comprised of six vice-presidents from six different colleges, are participating in the Vocational Education Leadership Training Program where CNC has the opportunity to showcase its educational programs, administrative processes, leadership strategies and successes.

A joint venture of the China Education Association for International Exchange and the Association of Canadian Community Colleges, CNC was chosen as one of five Canadian community colleges that will host a delegation from China.

“It’s an opportunity for us to share leadership styles and discuss community and business partnerships,” said Barb Old, Dean of Community and International Education. “All colleges have an international focus and this gives us an even more global perspective.”

The delegates, who arrived in Prince George on Sunday Sept. 11, will be at CNC beginning today (Monday) Sept. 12, cover a broad range of programs at the six schools they represent including: engineering, IT, manufacturing, tourism, agriculture, business, foreign languages, media, medical science, food inspection, defence science and technology and photoelectric information.

Among the schools are: Shindu Polytechnic that covers an area of 120.13 ha (1,802 acres). There are 10,958 full-time students with a faculty of 500 instructors with strong professional backgrounds. Ningbo Polytechnic that emphasizes an internationalized learning atmosphere and equips its 24,000 students with an international vision. With a full-time enrolment of 16,000 students and 816 instructors, Yantai Vocational College has a collection of 1.34 million books.

While at CNC, the Chinese delegates, including one interpreter, will learn about CNC’s leadership and governance, strategic plan, academic services, student services, human resources and facilities. They will tour the entire campus, including both the John Brink

Trades and Technology Centre and the new Technical Education Centre, health sciences, student services.

They'll also receive an overview of CNC's regional campuses when they travel to CNC Quesnel Sept. 14. The day also includes a tour of Barkerville.

Delegates will also meet with City of Prince George and Initiatives Prince George officials, attend the International Student Welcome Sept. 16 at City Hall, visit the Farmers' Market and tour the Ancient Forest. They will attend a Prince George Cougars pre-season game Sept. 16 at the CN Centre as well as play a round of golf at Aspen Grove Golf Course Sept. 17.

"We are delighted to host this prestigious group from China and we hope to learn as much from them as they do from us," said CNC president John Bowman.

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