



Dr. Jay Yule

Executive Director of PRESS

In his dual roles as Superintendent of School District 47 and Executive Director of PRESS, Dr. Jay Yule has had a profound impact on education, community engagement and economic development in Powell River

Inspired by his own childhood experiences as a student who required extra learning support, Jay has championed the needs of unique learners within our schools and in our community throughout his career.

Jay is proud to be the leader of a creative and innovative Indigenous-led educational organization with a mission to remove barriers to success for diverse groups of people.



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PRESS – WHO WE ARE

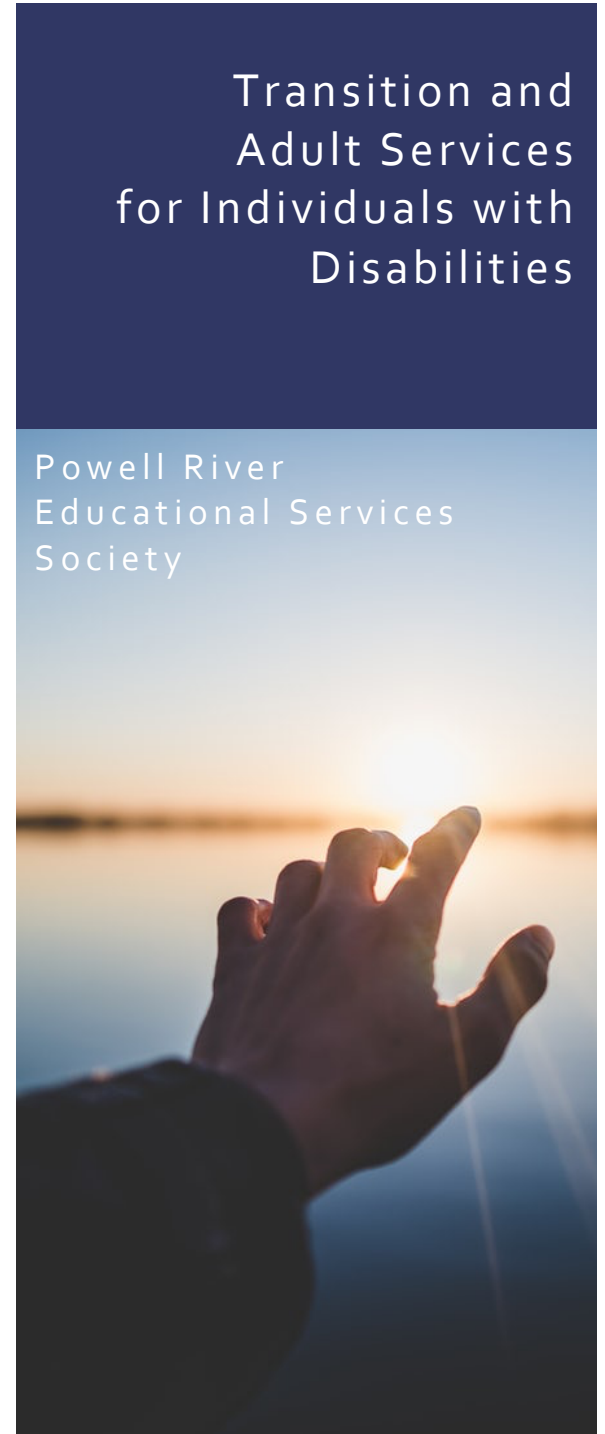
A truly integrated non-profit service agency, the Powell River Educational Services Society (PRESS) serves a wide range of individuals and groups who face barriers to social inclusion and economic participation.

The agency pursues its vision of education as an agent of social change through core practices that include:

- Client-centred program design and delivery
- Client advocacy
- A service focus on increasing client capacity and resiliency
- Public and private sector partnerships
- Leveraging educational and employment opportunities within local economic initiatives

Transition and Adult Services for Individuals with Disabilities

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transition

The transition out of high school into adulthood presents challenges and opportunities to all students.

This is especially true for a young person with a disability.

PRESS works with SPED funded learners to pursue goals that are driven by the young person's interests and dreams, and the desires and needs of his or her family.

We believe that personal safety, positive participation in community, and access to training and employment are key aspects of quality of life that all people in our society are entitled to enjoy.



capacity, resiliency, engagement, purpose

PRESS is uniquely and genuinely integrated among CLBC service providers. Our goal is to become a model of excellence in empowering challenged individuals and groups to assume the role of contributing, valued community members.

A qualified CLBC service provider since 2011, PRESS can offer person-centred home and community based programs, home shares and residential services to young adults with disabilities as they move beyond transition and begin implementing long term life plans.

In our existing CLBC funded services, PRESS consults with individuals, families, staff, health professionals and community partners to pursue successful outcomes in the areas of:

- Housing
- Community Inclusion
- Career Planning
- Employment
- Artistic and musical expression
- Personal Health and Fitness
- Intellectual Development
- Life Management Skills
- Enjoyment of the natural environment

We work with each person to support him or her in maintaining or improving functional capacity and personal resiliency. We seek practical means of enabling each individual to discover a role and a purpose that allows him or her to experience community in a meaningful and enduring way.

