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Cariboo College is a thriving and exciting place for its students as they have a great deal of opportunity to participate in the numerous aspects of college life.

The College's academic standards are high and transferability has been accorded by the universities to this College. The College asks a great deal of its students and is not a soft touch by any means. We would not be helping you if it were, because the College must be a good training ground for those who are proceeding to a university or to the world of immediate employment.

The College asks a great deal of its faculty also, and these highly qualified people have responded magnificently. Students receive a tremendous amount of individual help and the faculty in Cariboo College works very long hours indeed.

When we say faculty, there is a tendency to think we are talking about academic staff only, but in this College there are also career or employment oriented programs. The career program faculty have also worked very hard on behalf of the students.

The districts of Birch Island, Williams Lake, Lillooet and South Cariboo will be receiving many visits from our staff in order that the College's programs may be better understood, and to assure the students that they can receive the benefit of high standard programs and also enjoy the many social and sports activities of life at Cariboo College.

Brochures and other types of information for September 1971 are now being prepared and will be distributed as soon as possible.

Students and parents would be well-advised to pay some attention to the technology courses, as these are programs which tend to get overlooked. There is a
restricted enrolment in these programs which lead usually to a second-year at the
B.C. Institute of Technology. The restriction is due to an attempt to prevent flooding
of the labour market, and while no college can guarantee employment, these technology

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courses do show promise in that respect.

Next year Cariboo College will become a second-year college and this will meet our pledge to the public to provide the first two years of university training. The second year programs are now being worked out and will be announced in the near future.

The College Introductory Program is now being revised in order that it may provide an opportunity for those who lack subjects for Grade 12 graduation to take such courses at the College and be able to write the Department of Education's government exams. Simultaneously, such students may be allowed to take some first year College courses.

It is the College's wish to provide a much better service for the people in our zone who live outside the Kamloops district, and this fact will be borne in mind when new staff to the College are being appointed. In this regard the advent of the Kamloops Vocational School will fill a much-needed role both inside and outside Kamloops.

Cariboo College would urge the parents and students in our zone to participate in the benefits of your very successful College.

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