MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education
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Supervisory Officers

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SUBJECT: Ontario Prospects 2007/Perspectives Ontario 2007

In our continuing celebration of student success, I am pleased to advise you that Ontario Prospects 2007, our annual career planning guide for high school students, will be distributed to the education system in the first week of May. The cover is attached for your information. The distribution list includes every high school and school board (through the Student Success Leaders and Teachers), career specialists and job counselling agencies, and our many partners in the postsecondary sector. As always, copies of Ontario Prospects 2007 will also be shared at symposia, training sessions and conferences throughout the year. Please share this information with your coordinators of cooperative education, OYAP and guidance.

As you know, Ontario Prospects is used as a resource in the Grade 10 Career Studies course. It contains information on self assessment, career preparation, the labour market, and personal stories of student/graduate success in experiential learning and the workplace.

In addition to supporting the Career Studies course, Ontario Prospects lends itself well to use in other parts of the secondary school curriculum, such as literacy training. As well, Ontario Prospects can be used to support focussed initiatives, such as transitions for students from elementary to secondary school. Accordingly, we will be sharing copies of Ontario Prospects 2007 with Grade 7 and 8 teachers through regional and provincial meetings throughout the year.

In order to ensure that this rich resource is used to its full potential in the classroom, we are aligning Ontario Prospects directly with the curriculum, through creation of a user’s guide that will be distributed in the Fall. In order to support the links with curriculum and
school programming, the guide will include directions on how to use *Ontario Prospects* in curriculum units related to both career exploration and literacy, as well as in school plans to support successful transitions.

We appreciate your active participation in promoting the use of *Ontario Prospects 2007* and its new guide in the curriculum, as we work together to ensure and celebrate the success of all students.

Sincerely,

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