MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education

FROM: Jim Grieve
Assistant Deputy Minister

DATE: April 22, 2010

SUBJECT: Early Learning Program – Directors’ Seminar

I am pleased to invite you to a professional development session regarding implementation of the Early Learning Program, designed specifically for Directors of Education.

This session will provide Directors of Education with an overview of an exemplary full day learning program using a Walkthrough format, consistent with the Ministry of Education’s District Wide Review process for all schools across the province. In addition, it will provide an opportunity for regional conversations as well as Ministry updates regarding the Early Learning Program.

The Directors’ Seminar will be held in the Peel District School Board, HJ Brown Education Centre (5650 Hurontario St., Mississauga), Mississauga Room, from 9:30am to 1:30pm. A light lunch will be provided. This session is being offered in partnership with a CODE work group, the members of which include Martyn Beckett, Pat Amos, Heli Vail, Janine Griffore and Frank Kelly. The seminar will be delivered by staff from the Early Learning Implementation Branch, and supported by designated Early Learning leads from the school boards represented by the CODE work group. You are most welcome to bring one colleague superintendent from your board.

Previous attempts to identify a date in early June were problematic for some Directors, so we have confirmed that the seminar will be held on Monday, June 7. I do hope that Directors will be able to adjust their calendars so that they are able to attend.

Please confirm your attendance with Michelle Kotlarovski by email (michelle.kotlarovski@ontario.ca) or by phone (416-314-9393) by May 7th, 2010.

I look forward to seeing you on June 7th.

Sincerely,

Jim Grieve
Assistant Deputy Minister

cc: Pam Musson, Director, Early Learning and Implementation Branch
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