MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education

FROM: Richard Franz
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DATE: April 6th, 2016

SUBJECT: Mathematics Additional Qualifications (AQ) Course Subsidies

Thank you for your support in administering mathematics AQ subsidies to teachers in your district school boards beginning in the spring of 2015.

Feedback from teachers indicated that they valued the ministry subsidy, which allowed them to build their capacity in mathematics teaching and learning. These subsidies remained in place, thanks to you, benefiting teachers as they worked towards supporting improved student learning and achievement in mathematics.

Now that new collective agreements have been reached, teacher federations have agreed to resume full administrative responsibility for mathematics Additional Qualifications (AQ) courses. Their current agreement will cover courses completed between February 1 and August 31, 2016. District school boards may still submit invoices for AQ reimbursements completed by January 31, 2016.

I would like to thank you for coordinating and managing the mathematics AQ subsidies for teachers so effectively and ask for your support as teacher federations continue in their administrative role.

We look forward to working together towards achieving our shared goal of increased mathematics achievement for all students in Ontario.

Richard Franz

cc. Cathy Montreuil, Assistant Deputy Minister, Student Achievement Division