MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education
Supervisory Officers and
   Secretary-Treasurers of School Authorities
Director of Provincial Schools
Deans of the Faculties of Education

FROM: George Zegarac
Acting Deputy Minister

DATE: December 10, 2008

SUBJECT: On-line Survey to be completed by IT Leads regarding Licensed Software

In our on-going process of reviewing program effectiveness and implementation supports, we are looking at possible ways to create better economies for acquiring hardware and licensing of software for the system. This is particularly true as we go through our Special Education funding review. As a starting point, we are interested in gathering information from the system regarding the use being made of our licensed software titles that are acquired through the Ontario Software Acquisition Program Advisory Committee (OSAPAC) process. We are also interested in gathering information about some of the titles that are being acquired and implemented locally. We would like our major licence holders to inform us of the titles that are currently being loaded for access by school computers by completing an on-line survey; subsequently we will seek further input on the use of the software which will likely include teacher and student feedback.

It is suggested that the person best able to answer this on-line survey would be your IT lead person. Please ensure that only one submission is made for your institution.

To assist in gathering information before going on-line, enclosed please find a hard copy print out of the questions to be answered. Please note that this is for your files only, the survey should be answered on-line, and it can be accessed at:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=MnLP_2bIMNjs4S70hZ_2fNYvNg_3d_3d

The deadline for completing this survey is Friday January 9, 2009.

Thank you for your co-operation in ensuring that this information is completed.

Original signed by

George Zegarac

cc: Regional Managers