Memorandum To: Directors of Education in English Public School Boards
Executive Directors of OPC, OPSOA and PCODE

From: George Zegarac
Deputy Minister
Ministry of Education

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Subject: Postponement of PD and Reporting Activities in English Public School Boards

I understand that ministry sponsored events in December may be posing increased challenges for districts in light of the current labour situation.

For this reason, I am directing my staff to postpone all ministry funded professional learning events and ministry reporting requirements for English public school boards until the new year.

This also applies to events which are funded by the ministry that are run by principals or supervisory officer associations; for example, Leading Student Achievement events or Ontario Leadership Framework implementation sessions.

This includes events that involve teachers, principals/vice-principals or supervisory officers, whether they be webcasts or teleconferences. It includes voluntary participation events as well as those considered mandatory.

I trust that these postponements will allow district and school leaders to focus on the issues they are facing with respect to the labour situation.

Should you have any questions, please contact your regional office.

Deputy Minister

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