MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education of District School Boards  
Supervisory Officers and Secretary Treasurers of School Authorities  
Director of Provincial Schools Branch  

FROM: Paul Anthony, Director  
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DATE: February 11, 2008  

SUBJECT: NTIP Provincial Symposium 2008  

Thank you for your continued efforts to implement an effective New Teacher Induction Program in your school boards. As stated in the January NTIP Update memo dated January 16, 2008, the Ministry will be holding a NTIP Provincial Symposium for school board teams on March 4th and 5th, 2008, at the Doubletree by Hilton, 655 Dixon Road in Toronto. This symposium continues our support for the implementation of the NTIP and responds to needs expressed by school boards during recent NTIP sessions and teleconferences.

The goal of this provincial symposium is to support teacher excellence for student success by giving participants the opportunity to:

- share effective and innovative practices with colleagues from around the province in similar and varied contexts;
- increase capacity to deliver effective and sustainable New Teacher Induction Programs through expanded and strengthened networks across regions;
- hear about the NTIP as an internationally-recognized initiative conceived, developed, and implemented through collaborative relationships.

Please see the attached agenda. Thank you to all school boards and other education partners who submitted workshop proposals. The richness of this event will be in the active sharing and participation of school boards and other education partners.

Research and effective practice emphasize the importance of effective collaboration in the successful implementation of induction programs. Three people from each district school board are invited to attend: the NTIP board contact person and two other participants involved in the planning and/or implementation of the induction elements of your board’s NTIP. The school authorities and the Provincial Schools Authority are invited to send the designated NTIP superintendent and one additional participant. In addition, the Ministry will reimburse travel expenses for presenters for accepted workshop proposals.

Due to space limitations, we regret that we will be unable to accommodate additional participants.
The Ministry will reimburse travel expenses for the above noted participants only and in accordance with the attached reimbursement guide.

I would encourage the attendance of your NTIP team at this session. Once you have identified the members of your board team, please ensure that each one registers individually for the symposium. Please direct your board team members to the hyperlinked online registration site. **The registration website will be open from February 12-22, 2008.**

If you require further information about the session, please contact Nicole de Korte at Nicole.deKorte@ontario.ca or Jinah Kim at Jinah.Kim@ontario.ca. By helping new teachers achieve their full potential, the New Teacher Induction Program supports Ontario’s vision of high levels of achievement for all students. Thank you for your support in this important initiative and we look forward to seeing you at the symposium.

Sincerely,

*(original signed by)*

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