MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education, School Boards
                Secretary-Treasurers, School Authorities

FROM: Don Young
      Director
      Information Management Branch

DATE: February 4, 2008

SUBJECT: Managing Information for Student Achievement (MISA)
          Supplementary Funding for 2007-08

I’m writing to make you aware of supplementary funding that your school board or
authority may access to help offset costs associated with your MISA Local Capacity
Building activities for the period of April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008.

Consistent with past practice, supplementary funding may be used for MISA Local
Capacity Building activities related to technology, data management, and data use,
including human resources/training activities. Activities associated with OnSIS may
continue to be covered. Eligible expenditures must be incurred between April 1, 2007
and March 31, 2008.

For ___________, supplementary funding in the amount of ___________ is available to
support MISA-eligible expenditures, as noted above. Should you wish to access this
supplementary funding, please print and endorse two copies of the attached amended
Transfer Payment Agreement (Attachment 1) and return this to the ministry along with
your Amended Financial Forecast (Attachment 2). These documents must be received
by the ministry as soon as possible and no later than February 15, 2008. The mailing
address is:

Ministry of Education
Information Management Branch
c/o Lisa Lumley
777 Bay St., suite 422
Toronto, ON M5G 2E5

Your Amended Financial Forecast document should reference how your total MISA
allocation for 2007-08 (including forecasted supplementary funding) will be applied to
eligible MISA activities. No changes will be accepted after February 15, 2008. In
addition to mailing a signed Amended Financial Forecast, please also email this
document directly to Lisa.Lumley@ontario.ca. Once we have reviewed the above
documents, supplementary funding will be released in March in accordance with your
board’s amended forecast. Lisa Lumley may be contacted directly at (416) 325-9118
should your staff have any questions concerning the administration of this funding.
School boards have made significant strides in their MISA capacity building activities. Technology has been improved, data management practices are being refined, staff training is underway and teachers, principals and board administrators are now more able to access needed information to support improvements in student achievement and system management. Data received through OnSIS continues to be more timely and accurate and I would underline the importance of meeting future OnSIS timelines as previously communicated.

MISA remains a key enabler for positive outcomes in education. Thank you once again for your ongoing commitment to the MISA initiative.

Original signed by Don Young

Don Young
Director
Information Management Branch

Attach. (2) – 1 - Amended Transfer Payment Agreement
2 - Amended Financial Forecast

cc. MISA Leaders
Senior Business Officials