MEMORANDUM TO: Student Success Leaders

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SUBJECT: Provincial Symposium for Student Success Leaders  
  February 27-29, 2008

Dear Student Success Leaders,

We are pleased to inform you of our upcoming Student Success Leaders Symposium to be held from February 27-29 at the Eaton Centre Marriott, in downtown Toronto. Registration begins at 5pm on Wednesday February 27 and will end with a boxed lunch on Friday February 29.

We invite you and a secondary school principal who has experience on closing the achievement gap within his/her school. The focus of our work will be considering how to deepen implementation of strategies and practices that improve student achievement and student engagement. Boards with 20-50 high schools are encouraged to send one additional principal. Boards with more than 50 high schools may bring two additional principals.

The interactive program will include a focus on teams, 2006-07 provincial data, the work of Dr. Douglas Reeves, Lighthouse projects, Specialist High Skills Majors, dual credits and school improvement activities. As well, there will be opportunity to provide insights regarding ministry Student Success directions for 2008-09.

A separate e-mail will come to you with specific on-line registration instructions and the agenda for the conference. Participants will choose their promising practices workshops at that time. As well, a block of rooms has been reserved until January 27. When making reservations, please state that you are with the “Student Success Leaders Symposium/Ministry of Education” initiative.
Kindly pass on this reservation information to your colleagues who will be joining you.

We look forward to seeing you at the end of February, if not before.

Yours truly,

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