MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education
           Secretary-Treasurers and Supervisory Officers of School Authorities
           Principals of Secondary Schools
           Principals of First Nation Secondary Schools
           Principals of Inspected Private Schools

FROM: Ben Levin
      Deputy Minister

DATE: May 20, 2009

SUBJECT: Release of Revised Grades 9 and 10 Technological Education Curriculum Policy Document

The Ministry is committed to providing supports for the Student Success initiatives. Included in these supports are revisions to provincial curriculum policy documents to maintain a high-quality education system that ensures success for all students.

In 2006 through 2007 the Ministry completed feedback consultations for the drafts of proposed revisions to The Ontario Curriculum, Grades 9 and 10, Technological Education and The Ontario Curriculum, Grades 11 and 12, Technological Education. Input from this process and other consultations was analysed and used to guide further revisions to the draft curriculum policy documents. The revised curriculum policy document for Technological Education 9 and 10 is ready for release to school boards, schools and other education stakeholders.

Please note that the revised Grades 10-12 Computer Studies curriculum policy document, released on the Ministry website in November 2008, replaces the Computer and Information Science component of The Ontario Curriculum, Grades 9 and 10: Technological Education, 1999. Computer and Information Science has been moved to its own discipline named Computer Studies and Computer Engineering has been replaced with a Broad-based Technology subject named Computer Technology. The revised Grades 9 and 10 Technological Education curriculum policy document is now comprised of ten broad based subjects.

To facilitate implementation, a copy of the revised curriculum document will be posted on the Ministry website in May 2009. Print copies of the document will be distributed to school boards and schools beginning in late spring 2009. Mandatory implementation of this document begins in September 2009. Training sessions for implementation to support the delivery of the revised curriculum document in schools were held across the province during the fall of 2008.
If you have any questions about the revised curriculum policy document, please contact the appropriate Regional Office for information. Thank you for your ongoing support of the Ministry’s curriculum review process.

Ben Levin

cc: K. Rankin, Director, FSB
    P. Manson and E. Newman, Senior Executive Officers, LNS
    R. Franz, Director (A), SS/L18SPB
    M. Braakman, Director (A), AEO
    B. Davies, Director, PSB
    Regional Managers