Memorandum To: Directors of Education
Secretary-Treasurers and Supervisory Officers of School Authorities
Principals of Secondary Schools
Principals of First Nations Secondary Schools

From: George Zegarac
Deputy Minister

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Subject: Release of The Ontario Curriculum: French as a Second Language, Core French, Extended French and French Immersion, Grades 9 to 12, 2014

The curriculum policy document for The Ontario Curriculum: French as a Second Language, Core French, Extended French and French Immersion, Grades 9 to 12, 2014 has been posted on the Ministry of Education website, at www.edu.gov.on.ca, for school boards, schools and other education stakeholders. Print documents will be distributed to schools and school boards shortly.

The ministry understands that school boards will make local decisions about their ability to implement all or part of this document beginning in fall 2014. Mandatory implementation of the document begins in September 2015.

The revisions to French as a Second Language, Core French, Extended French and French Immersion, Grades 9 to 12, 2014 are the result of work done through the curriculum review process by teams of educators, which began in 2008. The review process was guided by research on new approaches specific to this discipline; benchmarking and comparing the curriculum with that of other national and international jurisdictions, and consultations with educators, students, parents and a wide range of stakeholders. These consultations provided valuable insights into the areas of the curriculum needing strengthening.

Implementation training sessions will be provided in 2014-2015 and will include web-based and face-to-face components to support the implementation of this document.

If you have any questions about this curriculum policy document, please contact your local Regional Office for information. Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministry’s curriculum review process.

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