

To: "Ministry of Education (EDU)" <MinistryofEducation@ontario.ca>

Subject: Provincial Consultations on Education Reform / Consultation sur l'éducation en Ontario

Email to: Directors of Education
Secretary-Treasurers and Supervisory Officers of School Authorities
Executive Director of Provincial and Demonstration Schools

Dear Colleagues,

Today, the government launched consultations on education reform. There will be three ways for people to participate:

- An online submission form, available now, that allows people, organizations or groups to provide their views on any of the consultation topics. Submissions can also be sent to the ministry by emailing fortheparents@ontario.ca or ausedesparents@ontario.ca.
- An online survey that will be available soon in English and French, with questions that relate to the key themes below.
- Telephone town halls across Ontario, with separate town halls in English and French. The telephone town hall discussions will be aligned with the themes discussed in the survey. The dates and times of these town halls will be posted on fortheparents.ca as they become available.

The consultations are intended to focus on the following topics:

- How to improve student performance in the disciplines of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM);
- How our schools are preparing students with needed job skills;
- What more can be done to ensure students graduate with important life skills, like financial literacy;
- How to build an updated and age-appropriate Health and Physical Education curriculum that includes subjects like sexual health education, mental health and the legalization of cannabis;
- What measures can be taken to improve standardized testing;
- What steps schools should take regarding the use of technology in classrooms, such as the use of cell phones; and
- What elements would participants like to see included in the Ministry of Education Parents' Bill of Rights.

For up-to-date information on all of the ways people can participate, please visit fortheparents.ca. We look forward to your participation in this consultation process.

Sincerely,
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