

Tuesday, October 20, 2020

Memorandum to: Directors of Education
Secretary/Treasurers of School Authorities

From: Nancy Naylor
Deputy Minister of Education

Subject: Revised Policy/Program Memorandum No.151: Professional
Activity Days Devoted to Provincial Education Priorities

I want to express my appreciation for your collaboration in supporting professional learning for educators and staff in the current context. As per the PA days memo to Directors of Education and School Authorities dated August 12, 2020, the ministry recognizes that the three mandatory PA days have been implemented and have specifically addressed topics for restarting the school year, ensuring the safety of staff, students and the broader community, and delivering high-quality education for all learners.

PPM No. 151 has been revised for the 2020-21 school year to confirm the topics of the three mandatory PA days as well as to provide additional considerations and resources pertaining to education priorities and the remaining PA days in the 2020-21 school year. The recommendation is that professional learning will be addressed in an integrated manner and continue throughout the school year in response to local context and needs. The revised PPM No. 151 is posted on the ministry website at <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/extra/eng/ppm/ppm151.pdf>.

The ministry will continue to work with school boards and education partners to provide ongoing learning opportunities and resources throughout the school year. If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Office.

Sincerely,

Nancy Naylor
Deputy Minister

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