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Memorandum to: Chairs of District School Boards

Directors of Education

Secretary-Treasurers of School Authorities

From: Stephen Lecce

Minister of Education

Nancy Naylor

Deputy Minister of Education

Subject: School Year Calendars Update

Thank you for your continued support for students, families and staff.

As we continue to plan ahead for the 2021-2022 school year, we recognize the significant effort that goes in to preparing, adopting and submitting your school year calendars and professional activity day descriptions and thank you for your efforts as we work together to provide Ontario students with quality education.

The following are the revised timelines for the submission of your 2021-22 school year calendars and professional activity day descriptions through the revised <u>Ontario School Year Calendar online application</u>.

Modified calendars

Boards/authorities will be required to submit modified calendars for approval on or before May 7, 2021. If approval of the modified calendars is not granted by May 14, 2021, the board/authority will be required to submit a regular calendar on or before May 28, 2021.

Regular calendars

Boards/authorities will be required to submit regular calendars for review on or before May 28, 2021. Regular calendars submitted in May and prior to May 28 will be reviewed as they are received.

Regional offices will provide confirmation letters in accordance with regular practice by May 31, 2021.

PA days and PA day activity descriptions

It is advised that boards/authorities schedule three mandatory PA days prior to the start of student instruction. The ministry will provide additional direction regarding topics for the mandatory PA day topics for 2021-22 prior to the May 7 deadline to allow

boards/authorities to submit this information along with their electronic calendar submissions. PA day descriptions for both modified and regular calendars must be submitted through the Ontario School Year Calendar online application on or before May 28, 2021.

Thank you once again for your efforts, and for those of your board staff and educators.

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