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MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education

FROM: Sue Durst
Director
Curriculum and Assessment Policy Branch

DATE: January 04, 2007

SUBJECT: **Curriculum Review Feedback Consultations on the drafts of proposed revisions to the Ontario Curriculum for Technological Education, Grades 9-12**

The review of the Grades 9-12 Technological Education curriculum policy documents began in September 2005. In fall 2005 representatives from school boards and school authorities participated in Focus Group Sessions for Technological Education 9-12 hosted by the Ministry of Education across the province. Focus Group input, feedback from other stakeholders, research, and analysis of current curriculum policy documents provided evidence for recommendations for revisions. During the summer of 2006, writing teams of educators drafted proposed revisions to the Technological Education 9-12 curriculum documents to address the recommendations.

The Ministry is initiating the next stage of the review process, Feedback Consultation, on the drafts of proposed revisions to the Ontario curriculum for Technological Education 9-12. The Curriculum and Assessment Policy Branch of the Ministry of Education will be hosting a one day Feedback Consultation for these policy documents. Participants attending the Feedback Consultation will receive information about the curriculum review process and the rationale for the types of revisions proposed in the draft. They will examine the draft document and discuss the process through which school boards, school authorities and stakeholders can provide feedback.

Each board is invited to send two educational representatives to the Feedback Consultation session. One of the representatives should be a subject/program specialist with a strong knowledge of the current curriculum/program document and the other representative should have the ability to coordinate a process within the board to gather feedback on the draft of the proposed revisions. It is important that the representatives understand that at the feedback session participants will discuss the process through which school boards, school authorities and stakeholders can provide feedback. This feedback is an essential component of the curriculum review process.

| Feedback Consultation Session | 8:30AM - 4:00PM |
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| Ontario Curriculum, Grades 9-12, Technological Education (further details/directions will be forwarded once attendance is confirmed) | Date: February 19, 2007 – London |
| | February 20, 2007 – Sudbury |
| | February 21, 2007 - Barrie |
| | February 22, 2007 - Ottawa |
| | February 26, 2007 – Thunder Bay |
| | February 28, 2007 - Toronto |

All travel expenses including accommodation, (where required) will be covered by the Ministry, following Ministry guidelines. An expense claim form will be made available to participants at the sessions. If your representative is a classroom teacher, the cost of supply coverage for the Feedback Consultation sessions will be reimbursed at the board rate.

Note: a continental breakfast will be provided, starting at 8:00 am.

Please complete the attached Registration Form listing the names of the representatives from your school board attending the session and return it to the attention of Lilibeth Alagar by email at lilibeth.alagar@Ontario.ca or FAX at (416) 325-2879 by January 22, 2007.

Representatives should be informed of the board's expectation.

If you have any questions concerning these Feedback Consultation Sessions, please contact:

Steve Tangney, Education Officer, Ministry of Education,
(416) 325-2787.

Thank you for your participation and ongoing support of the curriculum review process.

Original signed by

Sue Durst

Attachment

cc: Kit Rankin, Director, Field Services Branch
Regional Office Managers

CURRICULUM REVIEW
Feedback Consultation Sessions
Proposed Revisions to:

Technological Education, Grades 9-12

REGISTRATION FORM

**Please complete this form and return it to the attention of Lilibeth Alagar by email at
 <lilibeth.alagar@Ontario.ca> or FAX at (416) 325-2879 by
 Monday, January 22, 2007**

District School Board/Authority: _____

| Feedback Session | Representative 1 |
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| Ontario Curriculum, Grades 9-12, Technological Education | Name: _____ Tel#: _____ Email: _____ |
| | Representative 2 |
| Ontario Curriculum, Grades 9-12, Technological Education | Name: _____ Tel#: _____ Email: _____ |

| District | Location | Date | Time |
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| London | Fanshawe College | Feb. 19, 2007 | 8:00 am – 3:30 pm |
| Sudbury | Cambrian College | Feb. 20, 2007 | 8:00 am – 3:30 pm |
| Barrie | Georgian College | Feb. 21, 2007 | 8:00 am – 3:30 pm |
| Ottawa | Algonquin College | Feb. 22, 2007 | 8:00 am – 3:30 pm |
| Thunder Bay | Confederation College | Feb. 26, 2007 | 8:00 am – 3:30 pm |
| Toronto | Humber College | Feb. 28, 2007 | 8:00 am – 3:30 pm |