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MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education
Supervisory Officers of School Authorities

FROM: Bill Bryce
Regional Manager
London Regional Office

DATE: April 14, 2008

SUBJECT: **Summer Experience Program 2008**

I am pleased to inform you that our regional office has been allocated 18 positions for the Summer Experience Program 2008. As you are aware, this is one of the government programs, provided by the Ministry of Government Services' Youth and New Professionals Secretariat, supporting youth work opportunities. Administration and funding of the program is provided by Employment Programs and Services, Ontario Shared Services.

Consistent with previous summers, the program continues to be a project-based initiative that employs youth aged 15 to 24 years (up to 29 years of age for persons with disabilities). The positions offered by a school board should support critical activities relating to ministry core business and include the following: provide the opportunity for youth to develop skills that are career related and transferable to the general labour market; give youth a meaningful work experience to improve job skills and/or assist their career planning; assist school boards in providing useful services in a variety of career areas and educational programs; and provide training and supervision necessary to develop job skills and to carry out occupational duties safely and accurately.

School boards are invited to participate in this program by submitting the attached Project Application Form for each opportunity to employ a youth over the summer. The ministry will grant a maximum of **\$2,470** for each youth hired, and the allotment for our regional office is to be distributed throughout the district.

Once you completed your Project Application Form, please forward it by **April 30, 2008**. If you intend to hire several youths, please use a separate Application Form for each position, and indicate your priority ranking. Project Application Forms should be submitted to:

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Following the review of the projects, school boards will be notified which have been approved, and, at the same time, receive employment application forms from students and other related material. Please note that the name of the school board contact person for the Summer Experience Program needs to be identified in the appropriate box on the Project Application Form.

The Summer Experience Program positions will again be posted on the GoJobs website that will go live on April 18, 2008. The advertisements are very generic and indicate that students should contact school boards regarding available positions. The generic posting will be available on the website from April 18th and closes on May 30, 2008. School boards must not fill the position prior to the May 30th closing date. In addition to the GoJob web site postings, school boards may also advertise the positions. With your help, we hope to have another successful summer.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Bill Bryce
Regional Manager