

MEMORANDUM TO: MISA PNC Executive Leads

FROM: Don Young,
Director, Education Statistics & Analysis Branch

DATE: June 23, 2010

SUBJECT: Managing Information for Student Achievement (MISA)
Professional Network Centres (PNC)
▪ Operational Plans 2010-11

As you are aware, in a March 26, 2010 memorandum the ministry advised all Directors of Education of the continuation of MISA Local Capacity Building funding for 2010-11 in the amount of \$8 million as well as the continuation of the seven MISA PNCs for an additional \$1.6 million. This commitment recognizes the significant gains that school boards have made in growing their capacity to use data for improved student outcomes over the past five years. It also acknowledges that there is still more work to be done.

During 2010-11, school boards are continuing to use MISA funding to support activities that focus on the management and use of information by principals and teachers to improve student outcomes at the school and classroom level. The operational plans for the MISA PNCs should include activities that support member boards' efforts in this regard. In addition the MISA PNCs should undertake activities to promote the sharing of effective data management practices related to the provision of timely and accurate reporting of data – especially key student achievement indicator data.

To assist with the planning of MISA PNC activities, attached please find a chart showing the growth of member boards along the MISA core capacity continuum over the past five years. We will also be sharing with the MISA PNCs their member boards' approved MISA Local Capacity Building plans in July to help ensure the planned activities of the MISA PNC support the needs of their member boards. We encourage each MISA PNC to engage with the Directors and MISA Leaders of their member boards when drafting their MISA PNC operational plan to ensure the plan reflects the member boards' priorities and a shared commitment to undertake the activities.

Each MISA PNC Executive Lead is to complete and submit an operational plan outlining the proposed activities of their PNC for 2010-11 to the ministry by September 15, 2010. An updated planning template and guideline is attached. The operational plan requires endorsement by Directors of all member boards prior to its submission to the ministry. The project agreement associated with the transfer of funds to the Executive Lead board is to be signed by the Director of the Executive Lead board and returned to the ministry prior to September 1, 2010.

Please contact Lisa Lumley at (416) 325-9118 should you have any questions regarding 2010-11 MISA PNC operational planning.

Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to the MISA initiative.

Sincerely,

original signed by

Don Young
Director, Education Statistics & Analysis Branch

Attachment (2)

cc. Directors of Education, MISA PNC member boards
MISA Leaders, MISA PNC member boards
Superintendent of Business of MISA PNC Executive Lead Board