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**MEMORANDUM TO:** Directors of Education  
Secretary-Treasurers of School Authorities

**FROM:** Kirsten Parker  
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**DATE:** March 26, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Grades 7 -10 Differentiated Instruction/Transitions Adobe Connect  
Conference for SSLs and Board Teams

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform you of an Adobe Connect Conference for your board's Student Success Leader and one to three staff who are key to professional learning in your board.

As part of our continuing support for Differentiated Instruction (DI)/Transitions Grades 7 – 10, these on-line conferences will take place in April, 2009. Several conferences have been scheduled over a two week period so that SSLs are able to select a convenient time.

Each conference is one and a half hours long with two options provided on each date. Dates and start times are as follows:

Date	Time	
April 21	<input type="checkbox"/> 10:00 am	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:30 pm
April 22	<input type="checkbox"/> 10:00 am	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:30 pm
April 28	<input type="checkbox"/> 10:00 am	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:30 pm
April 29	<input type="checkbox"/> 10:00 am	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:30 pm
April 30	<input type="checkbox"/> 10:00 am	<input type="checkbox"/> 1:30 pm

These Adobe Connect conferences are part of provincial support to increase board and school capacity for the planning and implementation of Differentiated Instruction/ Transitions. The purpose of the Adobe Connect Conference is to introduce new resources (DI Teaching/Learning Examples), preview the 2009-10 DI Professional Learning Strategy, review current data on the Strategy and provide advice and feedback for the upcoming fall 2009 sessions, *Supporting Instructional Leadership for Differentiated Instruction*, for school administrators.

Participants in the Adobe Connect Conference should include:

- the Student Success Leader
- one to three people who will work with the Student Success Leader to support the planning and implementation of Differentiated Instruction/Transitions with a particular focus on principals as instructional leaders

To participate in the conference, each team will require access to one telephone (speakerphone) and one computer.

A separate invitation that includes registration details will be forwarded to Student Success Leaders. Upon registration, a package of materials will be distributed in preparation for the conference.

The Adobe Connect conferences are part of a series of sequenced professional learning opportunities and resource supports for Differentiated Instruction/Transitions.

Thank you for your continued support of these important initiatives.

Sincerely,

Kirsten Parker

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