

MEMORANDUM TO: Director of Education

FROM: Sue Durst
Director
Curriculum and Assessment Policy Branch

DATE: March 6, 2009

SUBJECT: **Curriculum Review: Applications for Curriculum Revision Writing for French as a Second Language, Grades 1-12 to be held in Toronto, Summer 2009**

As you are aware, the Ministry has undertaken an ongoing cycle of curriculum review to assure curriculum coherence and age-appropriateness from Kindergarten through Grade 12 in all subjects. The process is parallel for the English and French language curriculum and builds on the quality curriculum foundation already in place while identifying areas in need of revision. The previous years' reviews have focused on the Social Studies, History and Geography, Canadian and World Studies, Mathematics, Business Studies, Guidance and Career Education, Language/English, English as a Second Language/English Literacy Development, Kindergarten, Science and Technology, Science, Technological Education, the Arts, Health and Physical Education and Social Science and Humanities curriculum policy documents. For the past number of years, Directors of Education have assisted the Ministry by identifying classroom teachers and coordinators/consultants/instructional leaders from their boards, with relevant experience and expertise, to apply for summer curriculum revision writing teams. The successful applicants participated in summer writing teams of educators to draft proposed revisions to these documents.

Year 6 of the review cycle, the review of curriculum policy documents for French as a Second Language (FSL), Grades 1-12, is underway. I appreciate your support for last year's application process and ask for your help once again to identify educators for the summer 2009 curriculum revision writing which will take place in Toronto. School boards are invited to identify up to **four** educators, with the relevant experience and expertise, to apply to participate in the revision writing of:

- Core French, Grades 4-8 (up to **two** names)
- Core French, Grades 9-12 (up to **two** names)

Please find attached:

- Application for Curriculum Revision Writing for French as a Second Language, Grades 1-12;
- Curriculum Review: Board Response Form.

Please distribute the applications to appropriate personnel to identify individuals from your school board. Individual applications are to be submitted to the Board. The Board will then select the **four nominees**. The selected applications, together with the accompanying board response form signed by the Superintendent of Curriculum/Instruction, are due at the Ministry **no later than Friday, April 3, 2009**. Please fax or e-mail application forms to Lori Gosselin and Marcelle Faulds at (416) 325-2575.

If you have any questions concerning the Application for Curriculum Revision Writing, please contact:

- Lori Gosselin, Education Officer – FSL, Grades 1-8 at (416) 325-2541 or by email lori.gosselin@ontario.ca
- Marcelle Faulds, Education Officer – FSL, Grades 9-12 at (416) 325-2787 or by email marcelle.faulds@ontario.ca

Thank you for your ongoing support for the Curriculum Review process.



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Attachments

cc: Regional Managers