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**MEMORANDUM TO:** First Nation School Principals in the London Region

**FROM:** Gerry Treble  
Regional Manager (A)  
Field Services Branch  
London Regional Office

**DATE:** March 24, 2011

**SUBJECT:** **First Nation Schools Information Session: Full-Day Early Learning-Kindergarten Program**

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The London Regional Office is pleased to invite First Nation School representatives to a one-day information session on the Full-Day Early Learning-Kindergarten Program and other Ministry initiatives for publicly-funded schools on April 21, 2011 at the London Regional Office.

The morning session will explore the Draft Full-Day Early Learning-Kindergarten Program document. While this initiative does not apply to First Nation schools, a presentation of key changes in the document will be highlighted, and current practices in Kindergarten will be discussed through the lenses of Rethink (our current practices), Repeat (those that are grounded in current research) and Remove (those that are not grounded in current research). Participants will have opportunities to discuss the impact of the new program on children entering Grade 1.

The afternoon session will examine an overview of some current key initiatives within the Ministry of Education. Each First Nation School is invited to send two representatives to the session.

Attached to this memorandum is the registration form, Appendix A. On the registration form, please identify your school's contact person.

**The session is scheduled as follows:**

**Date: Thursday, April 21, 2011**

**Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

**Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Large Board Room, 217 York Street, London, Ontario**

**Telephone Number: (519) 667-1440**

**Toll Free Number: 1-800-265-4221**

We do not have a public parking lot; however, parking can be found across the street at Galleria Mall (also known as the Citi Plaza) located at 355 Wellington Street London, Ontario, N6A 3N7; or at the Via Rail Station located at 205 York Street, London, Ontario, N6A 1B1. Parking may also be located at the corner of York and Richmond. Parking fees vary and may range from \$6.00 to \$10.00 for the day.

**Registration Information**

The registration forms are to be returned to the London Regional Office no later than **April 15, 2011** to the attention of Anne Nguyen by e-mail at [Anne.T.Nguyen@ontario.ca](mailto:Anne.T.Nguyen@ontario.ca) or by fax at 1-519-667-9769.

A cost-recovery fee of **\$25** per registrant will apply. Lunch is included in the fee. The Ministry does not accept cash.

Please send a cheque **payable to the *Minister of Finance*** upon registration to the attention of Anne Nguyen, Administrative Assistant (A), Ministry of Education, London Regional Office, 217 York Street, Suite 207, London, Ontario, N6A 5P9.

All costs for travel, accommodations and supply coverage are the responsibility of the First Nation Education Authority.

Should you have any questions or concerns about this information session, please contact Leslee White-Eye at (519) 667-2014/1-877-421-7186 or by e-mail at [leslee.white-eye@ontario.ca](mailto:leslee.white-eye@ontario.ca) at the Ministry of Education, London Regional Office.

Sincerely,

*Original Signed By*

Gerry Treble,  
Regional Manager (A)

Enclosures.