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MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education

FROM: Sandra Bickford, Director
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DATE: May 25, 2016

SUBJECT: **Innovative Education Programs to improve educational outcomes for students in care of Children's Aid Societies**

This memo is an invitation to boards to submit applications for funding to run programs to improve educational outcomes and well-being of youth in the care of, or receiving services from, Children's Aid Societies (CASs).

Since 2013-14, the Ministry of Education has allocated funding to school boards to deliver programs for students in the care of, or receiving services from CASs, and generate innovative strategies and delivery models to improve educational outcomes for these students.

Boards are invited to submit proposal(s) for up to \$25,000 to run programs for secondary students. Programs may run in either:

- September 2016 to January 2017 (semester 1); or
- February to June 2017 (semester 2); or
- September 2016 to June 2017 (full year).

Boards are encouraged to propose programs that reflect the local community and to partner with neighbouring and coterminous boards. Details of a teleconference on Tuesday, June 2nd, 2016 to address boards' questions regarding proposals will be sent to each board's Student Success Leader.

Proposals are due on or before **June 10th, 2016**. Communication to successful boards will be made by June 24th, 2016 followed by contract agreements and transfer payments.

If you have questions, please contact Gurjit Gill at gurjit.gill@ontario.ca 416.325.2671 or Geneviève Brouyaux at genevieve.brouyaux@ontario.ca 416.325.7607.

We appreciate your interest and look forward to working with you to explore strategies to improve the achievement of students in care.

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Denys Giguère

Attachment:

Proposal template

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