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MEMORANDUM TO: **Directors of Education**

FROM: Kirsten Parker, Director
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DATE: November 26, 2008

SUBJECT: Student Success Team Strategy 08-09: Follow Up Training

As you are aware, secondary school-based Student Success Teams have been asked to identify 20 Grade 11 students who are at risk of not graduating. The Ministry of Education introduced a four-pronged strategy that includes Board-level training (fall '08), targeted support at the school level (semester one), regional sessions (February - March '09), and continued targeted support at the school level (semester two).

As part of our strategy to have more job-embedded professional learning opportunities, there will no longer be regional sessions to facilitate this process as previously indicated. Instead, Boards will be invited to host their own session or collaborate with other Boards to host a session that will allow a team of three people per school (Principal, SS Teacher, plus one other person) to share first semester results, successful practices, and plans for continued support in semester two. The Ministry will continue to provide one release day per school as well as hospitality costs for each session.

Should boards choose to conduct the follow up training with other boards, they are asked to hold the training in their own facilities and assume costs for transportation and accommodation. Boards that wish to team up their training with other boards are asked to get director's approval.

Your Student Success Leader will be provided with more detail, an agenda and resources to assist in the implementation of this revised strategy.

Through this School Student Success Team strategy we know that more senior students will be monitored and supported and have increased opportunities to experience success. Thank-you for your leadership of the Student Success strategy.

Yours truly,

Kirsten Parker

c: Student Success Leaders
Regional Managers
Regional EOs