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Dear Friend,

Ontario's Future Prosperity Needs Your Expertise

This is an exciting time for education in Ontario, and we'd like to hear from you. We are reaching out to experts and thought leaders in a wide range of sectors, including business, education, research and innovation and not-for-profit, to find out what they have to say about the future of Ontario's education system.

We have spent the last decade working with our education partners to create a publicly funded education system that is recognized as one of the best in the world. The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) has applauded Ontario and our programs that are helping more students graduate. And scholars and public officials from other jurisdictions, including Australia, China, Denmark, Japan, Sweden, India, Finland and the United States have visited Ontario to learn from our success in education.

Now is the time to build upon that success and consider our vision, aspirations and goals – not just for the system, but more importantly, for our students for the years to come. We live in a constantly changing, technology-driven and globalized world, and we must ensure that our students have the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in this new economic reality.

We would like to know how you think Ontario's education system should move forward over the coming years. We've created a consultation paper along with an online questionnaire to help you submit your thoughts and ideas. You can also send your comments directly via GreatToExcellent@Ontario.ca.

I want to thank you in advance for your time and contribution to Ontario's education system, and to our province's future prosperity. For more information, please visit Great to Excellent.

Sincerely,

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