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Dear Directors,

I am writing to invite representatives from your organization to participate in a two-day provincial event on Wednesday, November 9 and Thursday, November 10, 2016, at the Toronto Congress Centre.

This event will bring together senior leadership from Ontario's publicly funded education system and our early years and child care system. It will include key members from our school boards, child care service managers and other key partner organizations to help shape our work over the next few years.

As you all know, we are continuing to move forward on implementing *Achieving Excellence* – our 2014 renewed vision for education which guides our work. We should all be very proud of Ontario's outstanding education system. It has been recognized as one of the best in the world, and cited for its excellence in equity and supporting all students in reaching their full potential. We have also taken significant strides to improve our early years and child care system with new legislation and regulations designed to improve access, quality and safety.

Some of the key topics that will be covered at this event include:

- a deeper dive on well-being for students and staff;
- a discussion on making collaborative professionalism come to life;
- the continued transformation of our early years and child care system; and
- a consultation on education funding for the 2017-18 school year.

This event is intended to be a collaborative learning opportunity for the Ministry of Education and its key partners. It will be interactive, and include panel discussions, breakout sessions and a choice of engaging topics.

It's an opportunity that I know you won't want to miss, so register early to secure your place at this exciting event. Please note that the ministry will cover eligible travel expenses according to the OPS's Travel, Meals and Hospitality Expenses Directive.

To reserve your spots, please identify up to four representatives from your organization to participate over the course of this two-day event. All of your representatives must [register online](#) and select the optional sessions on November 10 that they plan to attend. A draft agenda is attached, and more details will be provided to participants after they have registered.

Each of you has a role to play on our journey to a better future for all of Ontario's children and students.

I look forward to seeing you at this exciting event, and I thank you for your commitment to student achievement and well-being.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MH', written in a cursive style.

Mitzie Hunter, MBA
Minister

Attachment: Agenda

c: Nancy Matthews, Deputy Minister
Denise Dwyer, Assistant Deputy Minister
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