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MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education

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SUBJECT: Data Collection Tools for 2016-17

The Ministry is pleased to provide you with an update about reporting for Elementary and Secondary funded activities, including the Renewed Mathematics Strategy (RMS).

As recently communicated in correspondence on the RMS Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA), three data collection tools will be launched on a shared online reporting platform. Some of these tools will be familiar to District School Boards through the previous use of similar tools in former program reporting. The data collection platform is interactive, fosters collaboration, allows for real time data collection and serves as a framework for planning, recording, analysing and reflecting on the data.

Users, including superintendents, principals and 2015-16 Year-End Report Back (YERB) coordinators will be contacted in the coming weeks with more detailed information on accessing and using the tools.

Summary of Data Collection

The three tools are summarized below:

Tool	Reporting Dates	Focus of Data Collection
Planning and Reporting for Improving Student Achievement (PRISA)*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning Report: October 31, 2016 • Interim Report: January 31, 2017 • Final Report: July 14, 2017 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elementary schools receiving intensive support as part of the Renewed Mathematics Strategy and schools designated as OFIP (Ontario Focused Intervention Partnership) submit School Improvement Plans. • Designated elementary schools and all District School Boards will report on RMS implementation in the interim and final submission periods. • District school boards will report RMS expenditures in the final submission period. • As well, DSBs will report on participation in continuing initiatives previously collected in the YERB (e.g. Tutors in the Classroom).
Achieving Excellence in Applied Courses (AEAC)**	<p>Semester 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning: September 30, 2016 • Mid-Semester: November 30, 2016 • Final: February 28, 2017 <p>Semester 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning: February 28, 2017 • Mid-Semester: April 30, 2017 • Final: July 15, 2017 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary schools receiving intense and increased support as part of the Renewed Mathematics Strategy provide data relating to Grade 9 applied mathematics. • Achieving Excellence in Applied Courses (AEAC) schools provide data relating to Grade 9 and Grade 10 applied courses.
Taking Stock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 30, 2016 • April 30, 2017 • July 15, 2017 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collects district school board level data on Grade 7-12+ students deemed to be at risk or in risk situations. • Includes information on student progress and protective measures.

*The Planning and Reporting for Improved Student Achievement (PRISA) data collection tool is modeled on the former Year End Report-Back (YERB).

**The Achieving Excellence in Applied Courses (AEAC) data collection tool is modeled on the former School Support Initiative (SSI) online tool.

Ministry Training Supports

The Ministry will host voluntary Adobe Connect training sessions for each of the online reporting tools. Below are listed training dates for the planning submission period for all three tools. Training for interim and final submission periods will be announced later.

Online Reporting Tool	Training Dates and Times	Training Registration
Planning and Reporting for Improving Student Achievement (PRISA)	For Elementary Principals and Supervisory Officers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">September 27, 11:00-12:00September 28, 11:00-12:00September 29, 1:00-2:00 (in French)September 30, 1:00-2:00	PRISA Training Registration
Achieving Excellence in Applied Courses (AEAC) Reporting Tool	For Secondary Principals and Supervisory Officers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">September 20, 10:30-11:30September 21, 1:30-2:30September 22, 10:30-11:30	AEAC Training Registration
Taking Stock	For Student Success Leaders: <ul style="list-style-type: none">September 30, 10:00-11:00October 6, 10:00-11:00October 7, 10:00-11:00	Taking Stock Training Registration

In addition to the training sessions, the Ministry will also be sending users support documents for each tool. If you have any questions, regarding:

- PRISA please contact Marcella Jenkins at Marcella.Jenkins@ontario.ca.
- AEAC please contact Paul Kostelny at Paul.Kostelny@ontario.ca.
- Taking Stock please contact studentsuccess@ontario.ca.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to supporting the improved learning, achievement and well-being of our students.

Sincerely,

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