

MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education
Secretary -Treasurers of School Authorities

FROM: **Aileen Chan**
Director (Acting)
Education Statistics & Analysis Branch

DATE: **September 30, 2010**

SUBJECT: MISA Memo
Managing Information for Student Achievement (MISA)

- OnSIS Data Management and the 2010-11 OnSIS Data Submission Schedule
- Changes for Fall 2010
- Changes for Spring 2011
- MISA Events

This memorandum is to provide you with information concerning the upcoming OnSIS data collection for 2010-11 and to highlight upcoming MISA related events.

OnSIS Data Management:

Last year we made improvements to the OnSIS data management and data quality processes resulting in improved timelines and greater accuracy in data submissions by boards. We appreciate the work of your staff in supporting and assisting with these efforts.

In the upcoming year, we will build on these gains which will enable us to move towards the goal of more timely and accurate reporting. It will be important to ensure that all data submissions are submitted in accordance with the attached collection schedule.

To assist you with your planning and scheduling, please refer to the attached 2010-2011 OnSIS Data Submission Schedule which contains specific details and dates.

Changes for Fall 2010:

Early Learning Program (ELP):

Beginning with the October 2010-11 data collection, the ministry will be collecting ELP data in OnSIS from all schools participating in the first phase of the ELP.

PLAR for Mature Students Financial Report:

The ministry will be generating the PLAR for Mature Students Financial Report from data submitted to OnSIS beginning with the October 2010-11 data collection. Boards will still be required to submit their PLAR for Mature Students Financial Report to the Financial Analysis and Accountability Branch (FAAB) during this parallel year.

Habitually Absent:

The Habitually Absent aggregate collection has been reinstated within the October Board Aggregate Report.

Letters of Permission (LOP):

Beginning in November 2010, all boards will have access and be able to request LOPs using OnSIS. Training materials will be distributed to boards in October.

Changes for Spring 2011:

Elementary Report Card Updates:

The changes to elementary report cards will be available in OnSIS for March 2011. The changes to the OnSIS collection are derived from the *Growing Success: K-12 Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting Policy* document.

MISA Events:

We will be meeting with the seven MISA PNC Executive Leads on the afternoon of October 20th to discuss their ongoing work to support the efforts of individual boards. This includes the sharing of effective practices, collaborative training and professional learning events, and ongoing research projects. The next day, October 21st, we are hosting MISA Leaders from across the province. The theme will be ***"MISA: Supporting Key Priorities"***. We look forward to a lively discussion and sharing of ideas among the participants.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing commitment to the MISA initiative.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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Attachment:

2010-2011 OnSIS Data Submission Schedule

- c. Assistant Deputy Ministers
CIO, Community Services I&IT Cluster
Branch Directors
Director, Technology and Business Solutions, I&IT Cluster
Regional Managers, Field Services Branch
Executive Assistant, Deputy Minister's Office
MISA Leaders
Supervisory Officers
Secretaries to the Directors of Education
Senior Managers, Education Statistics & Analysis Branch