

MEMORANDUM TO: Directors of Education

FROM: Sue Durst
Director
Curriculum and Assessment Policy Branch

DATE: October 2, 2008

SUBJECT: **Curriculum Review Feedback Consultations on the drafts of proposed revisions to the Ontario Curriculum for Health and Physical Education, Grades 1-12**

The review of the Health and Physical Education, Grades 1-12 curriculum policy documents began in September 2007. In fall 2007, representatives from school boards and school authorities participated in Focus Group Sessions for Health and Physical Education 1-12 hosted by the Ministry of Education across the province. Focus Group input, feedback from other stakeholders, research, and analysis of current curriculum policy documents provided recommendations for revisions. During the summer of 2008, writing teams of educators drafted proposed revisions to Health and Physical Education 1-12 curriculum documents to address the recommendations.

The Ministry is initiating the next stage of the review process, Feedback Consultation, on the drafts of proposed revisions to the Ontario curriculum for Health and Physical Education, Grades 1-8 and Grades 9-10 (Healthy Active Living Education courses) and 11-12 (Healthy Active Living Education courses). The Curriculum and Assessment Policy Branch of the Ministry of Education will be hosting one day regional Feedback Consultation sessions for these policy documents. Participants attending the Feedback Consultation will receive information about the curriculum review process and the rationale for the types of revisions proposed in the draft. They will examine the draft document and discuss the process through which school boards, school authorities and stakeholders can provide feedback. We expect to hold another feedback consultation for the Health and Physical Education Senior Courses (Health for Life – PPZ30; Recreation and Fitness Leadership – PLF4C, Exercise Science – PSE4U) in the spring of 2009.

Each board is invited to send a team of up to **four** educational representatives to attend the Feedback Consultation session to be held in their region. **One representative** should be a person with central board responsibilities for Health and Physical Education. It is recommended that the board team be a combination of elementary educators and secondary educators. **Elementary representatives** could include both educators who are Health and Physical Education specialists and elementary generalist teachers without specific Health and Physical Education expertise. **Secondary representatives** should have a strong knowledge of the current secondary Health and Physical Education curriculum.

The central board representative will play a **coordinating role**, and should have the ability to coordinate a process within the board to gather and collate feedback on the draft of the proposed revisions. Ideally, this individual will also have an understanding of Health and Physical Education. It is important that the representatives understand that at the feedback session, participants will discuss the process through which school boards, school authorities and stakeholders can provide input and comments on the proposed revisions. This feedback consultation is an essential component of the curriculum review process.

Feedback Consultation Sessions – Ontario Curriculum, Health and Physical Education Grades 1-12				
District	Location	Venue	Date	Time
Ottawa	Ottawa	Chimo Inn 1199 Joseph Cyr St. Ottawa ON K1J 7T4 613-744-1060	Wednesday, November 19	8:30 am – 3:30 pm
Thunder Bay	Thunder Bay	Best Western Nor'Wester Resort Hotel 2080 Hwy. 61 Thunder Bay, On 807-473-9123	Thursday, November 6	8:30 am – 3:30 pm
North Bay/Sudbury	Sudbury	Howard Johnson Plaza 50 Brady Street Sudbury ON P3E 1C8 (705) 675-5602	Thursday, November 13	8:30 am – 3:30 pm
Barrie	Barrie	Holiday Inn 20 Fairview Road, Barrie, ON L4N 4P3 Telephone (705) 722- 0555 Fax (705) 728-1718 www.hibarrie.ca	Monday, November 10	8:30 am – 3:30 pm
Toronto	Toronto	Holiday Inn Burlington Hotel and Conference Centre 3063 South Service Road, Burlington, ON L7N 3E9 Phone: (905) 639-4443	Tuesday, November 25	8:30 am – 3:30 pm
London Waterloo Catholic, Waterloo Region, Hamilton Wentworth Catholic, Hamilton Wentworth, Grand Erie, Brand Haldimand Norfolk Catholic, Niagara, Niagara Catholic	Stoney Creek	Grand Olympian (formerly Chandelier Place) 660 Barton Street Stoney Creek ON	Wednesday, November 26	8:30 am – 3:30 pm
London Avon Maitland, Huron Perth Catholic, Greater Essex County, Windsor Essex Catholic, Lambton Kent, St.Clair Catholic, London District Catholic, Thames Valley	London	Best Western Stoneridge Inn 6675 Burtwhistle Lane Highways 401 and 4) London ON	Thursday, November 27	8:30 am – 3:30 pm

All travel expenses including accommodation, (where required) will be covered by the Ministry, following Ministry guidelines. An expense claim form will be made available to participants at the sessions. If a representative is a classroom teacher, the cost of supply coverage for the Feedback Consultation sessions will be reimbursed at the board rate.

Note: Registration will begin at 8:30 am. A continental breakfast and lunch will be provided.

Please complete the attached Registration Form listing the names of the representatives from your school board attending the session and return it to the attention of Lilibeth Alagar by e-mail at lilibeth.alagar@Ontario.ca or FAX at (416) 325-2879 by **October 24, 2008**.

If you have any questions concerning these Feedback Consultation Sessions, please contact:

Mitchell Shore, Coordinator, Curriculum Review, Ministry of Education, (416) 325-2387.

Thank you for your participation and ongoing support of the curriculum review process.

Original signed by:

Sue Durst

Attachment:

cc: K. Rankin, Director, Field Services Branch
A. Bigwin, Director, AEO
B. Davies, Director, Provincial Schools Branch
Regional Office Managers

CURRICULUM REVIEW

Feedback Consultation Sessions

Proposed Revisions to:

Health and Physical Education, Grades 1-12

REGISTRATION FORM

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District: _____

District School Board/Authority: _____

Feedback Session - Ontario Curriculum, Health and Physical Education, Grades 1-12

Representative 1 — District School Board representative (coordination role)

Name: _____

Tel#: _____

Email: _____

Elementary Secondary Both

Representative 2

Name: _____

Tel#: _____

Email: _____

Elementary Secondary

Representative 3

Name: _____

Tel#: _____

Email: _____

Elementary Secondary

Representative 4

Name: _____

Tel#: _____

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Elementary Secondary