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Memorandum to: Directors of Education

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Secretary/Treasurers of School Authorities

From: Andrew Davis

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Education Labour and Finance Division

Subject 2021–22 Grants for Student Needs (GSN) and Related

Regulations

I am writing to inform you that the following regulations have been made:

## 2021-22 GSN Funding Regulations

The Grants for Student Needs (GSN) funding regulations for 2021-22 have been made and/or approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. These regulations implement the funding investments, structural reforms, and other changes described in the memorandum 2021: B08 – 2021-22 Grants for Student Needs Funding.

Through the GSN regulations, the Government is allocating a projected total of over \$25.6 billion for elementary and secondary education in the 2021-22 school year.

The new funding regulations are:

- Grants for Student Needs Legislative Grants for the 2021-2022 School Board Fiscal Year (O. Reg. 616/21); and
- Calculation of Fees for Pupils for the 2021-2022 School Board Fiscal Year (O. Reg 617/21).

These regulations may be accessed through the Ministry's public website.

For the 2021-22 school year, the regulation governing the calculation of average daily enrolment has been merged into the Grants for Student Needs - Legislative Grants for the 2021-2022 School Board Fiscal Year regulation.

As with every year, there are technical and other amendments to existing regulations that are required to clarify existing policy and update information received from school boards as follows:

## Grants for Student Needs – Legislative Grants for the 2020-2021 School Board Fiscal Year (O. Reg. 489/20)

The regulation has been updated to:

- enable time-limited funding for summer school programming for First Nations students in response to the challenges resulting from COVID-19 pandemic,
- update differentiated special education needs table amount based on updated enrolment information, and
- reduce transportation funding to reflect fuel-related savings arising from closure of inperson instruction between January to June 2021 and suspending the fuel escalator/deescalator for the same time period.

## Grants for Student Needs – Legislative Grants for the 2019-2020 School Board Fiscal Year (O. Reg. 277/19)

The regulation has been updated to reflect the updating of the differentiated special education needs table amount, based on the final updated enrolment for this school year.

## **Other Regulation Changes**

In addition, minor technical amendments have been made to the following existing regulations:

- GSN Regulations (489/20, 277/19, 284/18),
- Fees for Pupils Regulations (490/20, 278/19),
- Average Daily Enrolment Regulations (279/19, 286/18, 254/17, 217/16, 197/15),
- Elections to and Representation on District School Boards Regulation (412/00), and
- Reciprocal Education Approach (REA) Regulation (261/19).

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Sincerely,

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