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**MEMORANDUM TO:** Directors of Education

**FROM:** Gerry Townsend  
Director (Acting)  
Field Services Branch

**DATE:** April 25, 2008

**SUBJECT:** 2008-09 Community Use of Schools Program

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Further to Kit Rankin's memo of February 5, 2008, I am writing to provide you with additional information about the new Community Use of Schools (CUS) program funding and the new Outreach Coordinator position announced by the government in February of this year.

Funding

As stated in memorandum 2008: B2, Education Funding for 2008-2009, the CUS allocation will be enhanced by \$12.9M, bringing the total allocation for the year to \$32.9M.

The new funding consists of \$6.5M to support energy and labour costs, reduced rates, and increased access to programs, and \$6.4M to support the cost of Outreach Coordinators who will coordinate CUS programs and ensure their effectiveness.

- \$6.5M in new funding has been blended with the \$20M in base funding and allocated in proportion to your board's 2008-09 projected School Operations Allocation.
- \$6.4M in new funding will support the cost of Outreach Coordinators. Each district school board receives \$36,000 plus \$800 per school, using the same definition of *school* as is used for the School Foundation Grant.

The attached chart provides a board-by-board breakdown of the \$32.9M.

CUS Outreach Coordinators

Outreach Coordinators will be hired by school boards across the province to ensure the effectiveness and sustainability of local Community Use of Schools programs. Through cross-provincial networking, Outreach Coordinators will learn from each other and build on successful practices to enhance CUS programs. Their duties include:

- Aligning and implementing local CUS program and policy frameworks with the Ministry of Education (EDU) vision and goals
- Assisting schools in strengthening local CUS policies (e.g. application process, fees)
- Liaising with EDU, municipalities, community agencies, schools and user groups (e.g. holding regular meetings with all stakeholders, including EDU) to build program consistency
- Working with schools and community groups to share effective practices that maximize access
- Working with schools in implementing volunteer-driven homework help services
- Overseeing program implementation and working with local school board and EDU to provide feedback about local programs, including reporting to EDU
- Planning, preparing and conducting outreach workshops, seminars and other training sessions for users
- Working with area schools to determine community and school capacity to deliver and manage programs
- Employing active outreach strategies to ensure community support at the local school level
- Coordinating the timely and accurate collection of CUS program data
- Working with schools and EDU to ensure that schools in high-needs areas have appropriate services
- Identifying prospective priority schools if school board is eligible for priority school funding, commencing in 2009-10
- Working with priority schools, where applicable, to expand access, eliminate fees and reach out to community partners
- Supporting priority schools in order to maximize availability for community use
- Coordinating the development of Focus on Youth summer programs and assisting in applying for funding if school board is eligible

Thank you for your continued support of this valuable program. Please contact your local Ministry of Education Regional Office should you have any questions.

*Original signed by*

Gerry Townsend

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cc: Kit Rankin  
Regional Managers

2008-09 Community Use of Schools Program Funding

DSBNo	Name of Board	Community Use of Schools - Base Allocation	Community Use of Schools - Outreach Coordinators
1	District School Board Ontario North East	172,292	63,200
2	Algoma District School Board	185,771	75,200
3	Rainbow District School Board	220,914	75,200
4	Near North District School Board	172,464	69,600
5.1	Keewatin-Patricia District School Board	92,880	52,800
5.2	Rainy River District School Board	47,897	46,400
6.1	Lakehead District School Board	142,203	59,200
6.2	Superior-Greenstone District School Board	57,637	48,000
7	Bluewater District School Board	263,741	77,600
8	Avon Maitland District School Board	248,467	78,400
9	Greater Essex County District School Board	463,147	98,400
10	Lambton Kent District School Board	341,269	88,800
11	Thames Valley District School Board	918,821	176,800
12	Toronto District School Board	3,813,127	484,000
13	Durham District School Board	821,552	136,800
14	Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board	435,037	109,600
15	Trillium Lakeands District School Board	245,147	74,400
16	York Region District School Board	1,351,970	184,000
17	Simcoe County District School Board	616,190	126,400
18	Upper Grand District School Board	384,951	93,600
19	Peel District School Board	1,808,716	220,000
20	Haltom District School Board	586,003	108,000
21	Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board	660,907	132,800
22	District School Board of Niagara	543,715	128,800
23	Grand Erie District School Board	364,528	95,200
24	Waterloo Region District School Board	685,566	128,000
25	Ottawa-Carleton District School Board	965,131	152,800
26	Upper Canada District School Board	452,131	114,400
27	Limestone District School Board	298,814	85,600
28	Renfrew County District School Board	155,257	60,000
29	Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board	240,083	80,000
30.1	Northeastern Catholic District School Board	38,764	46,400
30.2	Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board	53,467	47,200
31	Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board	80,687	56,000
32	Sudbury Catholic District School Board	94,688	54,400
33.1	Northwest Catholic District School Board	13,287	40,000
33.2	Kenora Catholic District School Board	14,881	40,000
34.1	Thunder Bay Catholic District School Board	95,947	52,800
34.2	Superior North Catholic District School Board	19,753	43,200
35	Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board	46,114	46,400
36	Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board	55,472	50,400
37	Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board	296,385	76,000
38	London District Catholic School Board	264,847	80,800
39	St. Clair Catholic District School Board	130,312	62,400
40	Toronto Catholic District School Board	1,105,311	200,000
41	Peterborough Y.N.C. Catholic District School Board	194,592	66,400
42	York Catholic District School Board	672,354	113,600
43	Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board	1,130,633	151,200
44	Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board	268,681	76,800
45	Durham Catholic District School Board	288,818	76,800
46	Haltom Catholic District School Board	327,329	73,600
47	Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board	360,066	84,000
48	Wellington Catholic District School Board	98,566	51,200
49	Waterloo Catholic District School Board	279,633	77,600
50	Niagara Catholic District School Board	293,332	84,800
51	Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board	146,014	64,000
52	Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario	163,726	70,400
53	Ottawa-Carleton Catholic District School Board	543,488	100,800
54	Renfrew County Catholic District School Board	68,447	53,600
55	Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board	159,008	69,600
56	CSD du Nord-Est de l'Ontario	25,944	45,600
57	CSD du Grand Nord de l'Ontario	59,032	50,400
58	CSD du Centre Sud-Ouest	134,989	63,200
59	CSD des écoles publiques de l'Est de l'Ontario	167,256	62,400
60.1	CSD catholique des Grandes Rivières	144,763	68,800
60.2	CSD catholique Franco-Nord	65,450	49,600
61	CSD catholique du Nouvel-Ontario	122,651	64,800
62	CSD catholique des Aurores boréales	17,439	43,200
63	CSD des écoles catholiques du Sud-Ouest	102,323	58,400
64	CSD catholique Centre-Sud	173,272	75,200
65	CSD catholique de l'Est ontarien	179,135	68,800
66	CSD catholique du Centre-Est de l'Ontario	246,801	71,200
<b>Provincial Totals</b>		<b>26,500,002</b>	<b>6,356,000</b>