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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairpersons and Directors of Education
- All Catholic District School Boards

FROM: Patrick J. Daly, President

SUBJECT: **Indigenous Education Advisory Councils - Guiding Principles Survey**

Further to the memorandum we sent you on March 8, the Indigenous Education Advisory Working Group is seeking input on the core principles that will guide the development of Indigenous Education Advisory Councils.

In order to support our work on the Working Group, OCSTA is requesting boards provide input into the wording of the core principles.

Examples of principle statements:

- *The cognitive, emotional, social, physical and spiritual well-being of Indigenous students should be at the centre of the Councils' work.*
- *The Councils should operate as a link between Indigenous community members, First Nations, Métis, Inuit and other organizations and a local district school board.*

I would like to recognize and thank our representatives, Phyllis Eikre, Director of Education, Kenora Catholic District School Board, Kathy Furlong, Superintendent of Education, London District Catholic School Board and Steve Andrews for their important service representing us on the Advisory Group.

Please provide any suggestions relating to core principles to Steve Andrews at sandrews@ocsta.on.ca by **April 6, 2018**.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or Steve Andrews.