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**MEMORANDUM TO:** Directors of Education

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**DATE:**  June 20, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Planning for Integrated Learning: STEAM Learning Units of

Study, Grades 1 to 8 Summer Writing Opportunity

We are writing to inform you about the opportunity for teachers to participate in developing a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) Unit of Study for Grades 1 to 8.

We would appreciate your help in forwarding the attached information to the principals of all elementary schools in your board, so they can communicate this opportunity to appropriate teachers.

There will be up to 20 teachers participating in the development of the professional learning resources from August 14 – August 25, 2017. The resource development sessions will take place in person in Toronto, Ontario. Travel, meals and accommodations will be reimbursed according to Ministry of Education guidelines.

Teachers are invited to apply by **July 7, 2017**.

Participants will be chosen based on the attached application form and scoring rubric. We will contact successful candidates by July 14, 2017.

Please share the following link with members of your executive team and the principal at all elementary schools. <https://goo.gl/forms/VtFOXZ7EQ8NrkYZ83>

If you have further questions, please contact Maureen Callan (Maureen.callan@ontario.ca) or Brandon Zoras (Brandon.zoras@ontario.ca).

Thank you for your assistance,

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