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To: Deans and Directors, Faculties and Schools of Education
Subject: Mathematics Proficiency Test

On April 29, 2021, the Ministry of Education announced that it had entered into an agreement with Colleges Ontario to administer the Mathematics Proficiency Test (MPT). Faculties of education were asked to share the information with teacher candidates as soon as possible.

The timing when teacher candidates choose to sit the MPT will have an impact on their teaching certificate. We therefore want to ensure that as many applicants and prospective applicants are aware of these implications. To support this, we are highlighting the following information to communicate with your staff, and asking for your help.

Ontario graduates who become certified between now and August 31, 2021 and who have not passed the MPT will have a condition to pass the test by August 31, 2021. While there are no limits on the number of times applicants can reattempt the MPT, the last sitting available this summer to meet the deadline is August 13, 2021.

It is critical that they are aware that if they do not pass the test by August 31, 2021, their certificate will expire and there will be no extensions. They will no longer be a member of the College and they will not be able to teach in Ontario publicly-funded schools.

Should they wish to become a member again, they will need to pass the MPT and re-apply to the College. Their application will be subject to the regulations, and College by-laws, policies, and fees in place at the time of submission.

After August 31, 2021, Ontario graduates wishing to become certified will be required to pass the MPT before they become certified. They cannot be certified with a condition to pass the test.

Thank you for your assistance in communicating this critical information and supporting teacher candidates.

For all questions related to the MPT, candidates are encouraged to obtain updates on the test provider's website at www.mathproficiencytest.ca. For Information related to registration requirements, candidates can visit the College's website at www.oct.ca.
If you have any questions relating to the registration requirements, you can contact Linda Zaks-Walker, OCT, Director, Membership Services by email at lzakswalker@oct.ca, or by telephone at 416-961-8800, Ext. 398 (toll-free in Ontario at 1-888-534-2222).

Sincerely,

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