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**MEMORANDUM TO:** Education Partners

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**SUBJECT:** New Elementary Math  
Curriculum Release

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Dear valued partners,

Thank you for your ongoing commitment towards supporting the continuity of student learning during the COVID-19 school closures. The government is more committed than ever to ensuring students are prepared for the jobs of tomorrow. As part of that commitment, the Ministry of Education is pleased to share with you that we are launching a new elementary mathematics curriculum.

The curriculum was last updated 15 years ago in 2005. The new curriculum is based on leading-edge research, international best practices, as well as input from the public, teachers, education sector leaders, academics and math industry experts. This includes the 2018 [public consultation](#) with parents, educators and education stakeholders, as well as research led by Dr. Christine Suurtamm, Vice-Dean of Research and Professional Development and Full Professor of Mathematics Education at the Faculty of Education, University of Ottawa.

The new curriculum will be implemented in classrooms across the province starting in September 2020, and is now available to all teachers, parents and students through the digital curriculum and resources platform, which can be accessed from these websites: [Ontario.ca/curriculum](https://www.ontario.ca/curriculum) (English language) and [Ontario.ca/programmes-cadres](https://www.ontario.ca/programmes-cadres) (French language).

Additional teaching supports will be embedded in the curriculum in the coming weeks. The ministry will also be releasing new parent and classroom-ready resources, as well as educator professional learning opportunities, to support the implementation of the new mathematics curriculum over the summer and throughout the 2020-21 school year.

Thank you for your ongoing work supporting the math learning of our students.

Sincerely,

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