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## Superintendents,

We are dedicated to creating an education system where children and young people receive the tools they need to reach their full potential. To build on the momentum to make improvements in the anglophone sector, an Executive Steering Committee (ESC) has been established. This committee will lead the next steps for improvements both in English Prime classrooms and French language learning, including the French immersion program. I'm pleased to be co-chairing the committee with New Brunswick Teachers' Association executive director Ardith Shirley.

The ESC is composed of individuals representing educators, students, the NBTA, and other key rights and stakeholder groups. We held our first meeting on April 27 and developed guiding principles for two working groups. One group will target improved French language learning, and the other will look at improvements to the English Prime program. These working groups will engage several key partners in education through May and early June 2023, with the goal of submitting recommendations to the steering committee.

Educators and families are encouraged to share their thoughts on how improvements can be made to English Prime and French language learning by emailing <a href="mailto:engage.EECD-EDPE@gnb.ca">engage.EECD-EDPE@gnb.ca</a>. In addition, an online questionnaire will be made available for those wishing to submit additional insights in the coming weeks.

A summary of results from previous public consultations is <u>available online</u> and updates on next steps will be shared <u>on our website</u>.

Respectfully yours,

Tiffany Bastin

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