



Press Release

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**York Region District School Board
Announces Search Firm for the Selection of a New Director of Education**

Aurora, ON – The executive search firm Laverne Smith & Associates has been chosen to assist the Board of Trustees in selecting a new director of education.

“This firm will assist trustees by asking the educational community to provide input into the qualities and characteristics which they would like to see in the new director of education,” said Diane Giangrande, Chair of the York Region District School Board. “We have been most fortunate to have such a seasoned director of education in Mr. Hogarth and now it’s time for us to have a process that will ensure that his successor is the best person for the public education system in York Region. We recognize that our decision impacts all students, staff and our school communities. This is the most important decision a board of trustees can make.”

Information received from the educational community will be taken into consideration by the Board when it makes its decision. Following this consultation, the application process will be available on the Board website.

In May 2009, Director of Education Bill Hogarth announced his retirement effective December 31, 2009. Mr. Hogarth has been the Director of Education for the York Region District School Board for the past 16 years and an educator for the past 39 years.

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