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INTERNATIONAL COMPUTER AND INFORMATION LITERACY STUDY ICILS 2013 MAIN STUDY

CALL FOR SCORERS Scoring Session, Toronto, Ontario, July 8–12, 2013

The International Computer and Information Literacy Study (ICILS) is a new international study that assesses the extent to which students know about, understand, and are able to use information and communication technology (ICT). The target population for ICILS is Grade 8 students, and the mean age at the time of testing is at least 13.5 years. ICILS will be administered every three years starting in 2013. This study is carried out under the aegis of the International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement (IEA), and in Canada, the participation of provinces is coordinated by the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC). About 20 countries are participating in ICILS 2013. The administration and the scoring of ICILS is conducted exclusively by computer.

In Canada, Ontario and Newfoundland and Labrador are the two provinces participating in this study. Overall, approximately 6,000 students from some 325 schools are participating in ICILS 2013 in both English and French. The assessment is being conducted in March and April 2013 in participating schools.

The ICILS 2013 main study will be scored in Toronto, Ontario, between July 8 and 12, 2013. Approximately 25 scorers will be involved in the scoring, including some from participating ministries and departments of education. However, openings will be available for local scorers from the Greater Toronto Area. All scorers must be available for the entire duration of the scoring session.

Individuals wishing to participate are invited to outline their qualifications and experience using the application form posted at: <http://fluidsurveys.com/s/ICILSapplication/>. All applications will be considered.

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- have experience teaching Grade 8 students;
- have strong computer skills (and, ideally, use ICT extensively in the classroom);
- be a student teacher, a current teacher, a substitute teacher, or a retired teacher; and
- reside in the Greater Toronto Area.

Bilingualism is considered an asset. Although not essential, experience in teaching computer or ICT literacy skills at the intermediate level would also be preferable.

The daily fee is \$200, plus a per diem of \$30 per workday. No other expenses, such as meals, transportation, parking, child care, or accommodation, will be covered. **The application deadline is May 17, 2013**, after which date all candidates will be notified of the status of their applications. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Marie-Claire Pintaric at mc.pintaric@cmecc.ca at 416-962-8100, ext. 243.

Further information about ICILS can be obtained at:

<http://www.cmecc.ca/322/Programs-and-Initiatives/Assessment/International-Computer-and-Information-Literacy-Study-%28ICILS%29/index.html> or at <http://icils2013.acer.edu.au/>