

## Interjurisdictional Protocol on Procedures relating to the Suspension or Cancellation of Teaching Certificates

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The parties agree that it is in the best interest of children, the public, and the teaching profession to have an interjurisdictional protocol on procedures relating to suspensions or cancellations of teaching certificates. The parties agree to the following:

- To have in place procedures, including any necessary legislative or regulatory authority, whereby the certification authority of the jurisdiction is formally advised in writing by employing authorities (schools, school districts, or divisions) of any suspensions, terminations, resignations, or retirements from employment arising from conduct that may relate to the suitability of a person to hold a teaching certificate.
- To work with any independent or band schools, or associations of such schools, to have in place similar reporting procedures.
- To have in place a process, based on the principles of natural justice, whereby a review of certification status is initiated, based on a report from an employing authority or on other information, including any criminal conviction, that may relate to the suitability of a person to hold a teaching certificate.
- To notify the registrar of every provincial/territorial teacher certification authority of every cancellation and any suspension of a teaching certificate for cause, and any action for cause taken against a person who held a certificate that has expired.
- That the above notification will include the full name, including any previous names, the date of birth, the type of certificate or certificates held, the registration/certificate number, and a general description of the conduct that led to the action against the certificate.
- To notify the registrar of every provincial/territorial teacher certification authority of an updated summary to December 31 of all teaching certificates that have been cancelled, suspended, or reinstated in that jurisdiction, the updated annual summary to be sent no later than the following March 31.