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Ontario Catholic Supervisory Officers' Association (OCSSOA)
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TO: Ontario Directors of Education

FROM: Frank Kelly
Executive Director
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DATE: April 15, 2016

RE: May 2016 Report Back on the Impact of the CODE Robotics Kits
On Classroom Instruction and Student Learning,

In my memorandum of January 8, 2016, I outlined the reporting process for boards regarding the purchase and use of CODE robotics kits.

As previously noted, “a number of boards have already described how their use of robotics is stimulating new and innovative models of student learning in the area of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.” Further reference was made to the many cases in which the use of robotics “significantly increased student engagement as boards are connecting their use of robotics to the development of 21st century skills and competencies.”

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide details on the second (and final) robotics report to be submitted. To recap: all boards are required to complete a brief summary on the use of robotic kits, and the impact they had on classroom instruction and student learning. The report (in Word format) can be downloaded from the Robotics Resources section of the Ontario Summer Learning website at <http://ontariosummerlearning.org/resource-tag/robotics/>. **Please return the completed report by May 31st, 2016 to Janette Jensen at the CODE office at janette@opsoa.org.**

A summary of the submitted reports will be prepared for the ministry. This information will provide a valuable provincial overview on the use of the robotics kits purchased (with funding from the Literacy and Numeracy Secretariat) through the CODE project.

A copy of the first CODE report -- requesting information on the distribution and location of the robotic kits -- is also attached with this memo. Boards were previously asked to complete and return this form, and currently almost every board has submitted their completed report. If you have not already done so, however, please submit this report to Janette at janette@opsoa.org at your earliest convenience.

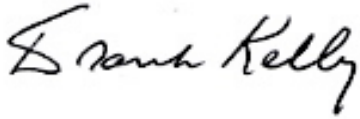
On behalf of the Literacy and Numeracy Secretariat and CODE, thank you again for your strong support of this initiative. I am confident that the CODE Robotics Project will continue providing unique and engaging learning opportunities for your pupils. Should you wish additional information or have questions, please contact the CODE office at 905-845-4254.

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Regards,



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