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Field Review of Draft Principal Quality Practice Standard

Alberta Education is inviting principals to review and provide feedback on the *Principal Quality Practice Standard: Successful School Leadership in Alberta*, which was recently mailed to all school principals. The draft Principal Quality Practice Standard was developed by Alberta Education and a Stakeholder Advisory Committee to address Alberta's Commission on Learning Recommendation 76. A copy of the draft document and response form is available on the ATA website under Resources for Administrators (www.teachers.ab.ca).

Principals are encouraged to provide feedback to Alberta Education by July 14, 2006. Alberta Education is also inviting

review and comments from superintendents, school board and school council chairpersons, and stakeholder groups. In addition, the department will organize a number of invitational regional focus group meetings in the fall 2006. The ATA Administrator Issues and Concerns Committee will be providing a written response on behalf of the Association.

The Stakeholder Advisory Committee will reconvene later in the fall to review all the feedback and make the necessary changes to the draft document. Once the revisions are complete the document will be forwarded to the Minister of Education for approval in time for implementation in the 2006/07 school year.



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**Please take the time to complete
the enclosed survey regarding
Administrator Involvement in the
Alberta Teachers' Association**



“Leaders Help the People Write Their Songs— The Synergetic Leader”

The Educational Leadership Academy (ELA) is pleased to welcome Dr Gary Phillips as the keynote presenter. Dr Phillips is the founder and president of the National School Improvement Project, an organization that began long before the term *school improvement* was widely used. He will present sessions on the following:

- If I Think Out of the Box and Ahead of the Curve, Where Am I?
- The Transformational Interview: Changing the Culture While Collecting the Data

- There Are Better Decisions Than Data-Based Decisions ... Effective Leaders Know It and You Can Too
- Leadership Tactics for a Systems Approach and Synergistic Organization

The ELA, sponsored and supported by the Council on School Administration and the Alberta Teachers' Association, is a six-day in-residence program conducted in a retreat setting. The extensive program emphasizes the direct involvement of participants in presentations, individual consultations, intensive practical hands-on experience

and the development of a personal action plan.

In recognition of the quality of this program, the Universities of Alberta, Calgary and Lethbridge may provide graduate credit to program participants.

This year's ELA takes place from July 23 to 28, 2006, at Lily Lake Village Resort, Legal, Alberta.

For further information, please contact Leslie Kaun at (780) 447-9410 (Edmonton) or 1-800-232-7208 (elsewhere in Alberta). Leslie's e-mail is leslie.kaun@ata.ab.ca.

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