

## **Professional Network Centre**

Our Vision

The Ottawa Region MISA Professional Network Centre strives to support the local capacity building components of the MISA initiatives by fostering a culture of evidence-informed decision-making through communication, sharing of resources, innovation, and collaboration.

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## Invitation to Participate in a Collaborative Inquiry Project

The Ottawa MISA Professional Network Centre is pleased to offer your teachers and administrators the opportunity to engage in a collaborative inquiry project during the 2013-14 school year. Focusing on building teacher capacity, MISA funded inquiries will provide release time for teacher collaboration to study strategies that bring EIDM to the classroom, change teacher practice and most importantly, impact on student learning. **Up to \$10,000** will be provided for collaborative inquiries that engage in activities directed at using evidence-based decision-making to improve student achievement.

Inquiry teams will attend a regional session on October 17, 2013 at the Ottawa Hilton Garden Inn that will outline the inquiry process, allow teams to share their tasks and find others with similar themes. As well the session will provide teams with background on Collaborative Inquiry and Data Analysis as it relates to their work. The session will also provide an opportunity for teams to meet with a research coach who will support the teams throughout the process. School administrators are encouraged to join their teams at this orientation session and a specific session will be provided to facilitate their role in supporting teachers. Teams will attend a mid-point regional session on Data Analysis in January as well as a final Symposium in May to share their inquiries with other school boards.

Interested teams are asked to complete Sections A, B and C of the attached proposal and submit that material to their MISA Lead prior to October 4, 2013. Teams will be able to complete the rest of the proposal at the orientation day with the research coach who will be work with their team throughout the inquiry.

We look forward to working with your teachers again this year. Should you have any questions, please contact the MISA Lead for your Board.

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