

Waterloo Region District School Board

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The Honourable Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education Ministry of Education 315 Front Street West, 14th Floor Toronto, ON, M7A 0B8

Dear Minister Lecce.

At its meeting on April 11, 2022, the Board of Trustees for the Waterloo Region District School Board (WRDSB), agreed to write to you to urge the Ministry of Education (Ministry) to consider making the following amendments to the Suspension/Expulsion reporting requirements:

That the Waterloo Region District School Board write a letter to the Minister of Education requesting that the Suspension/Expulsion, Annual Reports and monthly Suspension/Expulsion reports, be amended to include an in-depth analysis of students with exceptionalities that have been suspended or expelled; and

That this analysis also includes the different types of exceptionalities and the number of students with exceptionalities that have been suspended or expelled;

Minister Lecce, we ask for your consideration of this request, as it will provide an additional level of information that will inform future practices and programs to support students with exceptionalities.

Sincerely,

Scott Piatkowski

Chairperson of the Board of Trustees Waterloo Region District School Board

CC: Special Education Advisory Committees in Ontario Public School Board; Ontario Public Supervisory Officers' Association



