

## **A call to participate and take action!** **You are invited to two days of exploration on the theme**

### **“OYAP/PAJO Today - Prosperity Tomorrow, Building Our Future in Challenging Times”**

Welcome, Bonjour, to the 2009, two day, Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program (OYAP/PAJO) Provincial Conference – OYAP/PAJO Today - Prosperity Tomorrow, Building Our Future in Challenging Times, November 18 and 19, 2009. We are very pleased to host this innovative event in the City of Greater Sudbury.

This conference will provide a unique opportunity for participants to actively and passionately participate in an open space technology forum. Participants are invited to exercise their commitment to the creation of mini-plans of action in our efforts to address the future challenges facing OYAP/PAJO.

Join us as we enter a new and exciting era for OYAP/PAJO. Through your active participation you will be invited to share your vision, information, ideas and best practices. Participate in the formation of mini-action plans for MTCU and Ministry of Education consideration.

Hear first hand the vision, direction and opportunities concerning the future of OYAP/PAJO and apprenticeship training from our partners: Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, Ministry of Education.

Participants are invited to attend a fun-filled dinner and social at the renowned Bryson's on the Park in addition to experiencing Greater Sudbury's tourism events.

As well, attend an OCPA meeting to further strengthen our action plan for the future of OYAP/PAJO.

Please join us at the Radisson. We are looking forward to your visit to Greater Sudbury.

Ginette Poulin-Vaillancourt  
Conference Chair

Conference Co-chair  
Lise Paulin

#### ***Who should attend this conference?***

- District School Board OYAP Coordinators
- Employment & Training Consultants
- Service Delivery Managers
- Job Connect Program Delivery Managers / Supervisors
- Other MTCU / EDU staff

**We will work with a participative and creative approach called Open Space.**

**Working in Open Space will allow us to:**

- Create the agenda on site through the questions YOU care about
- Team up with others who care about the same topics
- Benefit from everyone's experience and knowledge in a creative, respectful and responsible environment
- Explore ideas, set priorities and develop action plans

**The organizing committee's commitment**

- Fully participate to the meeting and discussions, as equals
- Give open and honest feedback on priority actions
- Actively support the implementation

**The success of the sessions relies on the initiative and participation of everyone present!**

Be ready to raise those questions for which you want to discover ideas and strategies and think of examples of possibilities and successes you may want to share in small group discussions. **Yves Doyon**, our facilitator, has a long experience with group facilitation and will guide us in this creative work process.

**A promise:** Every topic anyone cares about will be up for discussion.

**Your only preparation:** Think about the following theme and question to identify topics you would like to discuss.

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Building Our Future in Challenging Times”**

**“What do we need to discuss and do together to continue making  
the OYAP/PAJO Program a province wide success?”**

**Be ready to be surprised!!!**

## When:

**November 17, 2009:** (At the Radisson Hotel)

- OCPA meeting: 4 to 6 pm
- Meet & Greet/Pre-registration: 6 to 9pm

**November 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009** (At the Radisson Hotel)

**Day 1:** 8AM to 5PM (Nov 18<sup>th</sup>)

**Day 2:** 8AM to 4PM (Nov 19<sup>th</sup>)

*\*Refreshments and lunch are provided both days.*

**Dinner and Social** – November 18<sup>th</sup>, 6 PM at Bryston's On the Park in Copper Cliff  
(Charter buses will be leaving from the Radisson Hotel at 5:30 p.m.)

***IMPORTANT: Because this conference is free of charge and because guarantees are needed at all venues, the organizing committee must receive at least 7 days notice if registered participants cannot attend.***

\*A detailed schedule is posted on Web Site.

## Accommodations:

For room reservations please contact

**The Radisson Hotel, Sudbury**

85 Ste Anne Road, Sudbury, ON, P3E 4S4

705.675.1123

Room rate: \$119.00

Conference code: "**French Catholic School Board**"

\*Please reserve your room as soon as possible. The cut-off date for the block of rooms is October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009.

**Dress for comfort:** We recommend casual attire and...bring your dancing shoes for the dinner and social.

**Please note: Due to limited space, registration is limited to two participants per board.**

### Registration:

Please confirm your participation and special needs by filling the on-line registration form at [www.oyap.com/conference](http://www.oyap.com/conference),

**The deadline for registration is 4PM, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009,**

**For more information please contact:**

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