

OSBA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This is a reminder to all members that OSBA will holding our Annual General Meeting on April 9th at the Sheraton Toronto Airport Hotel & Conference Centre (801 Dixon Road, Toronto) beginning at 8:30am. **Operators must be existing 2013 members to attend.**

The AGM provide Board updates, distribute the financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2012, appoint Auditors, elect/ approve Director nominations and transact such business as may properly be brought before the meeting.

Proxy forms are available from the OSBA for 2013 eligible voting members unable to attend the AGM.

Please contact Rick Donaldson, Secretary of the AGM for further information. Tel. 416-695-9965 ext. 25 or rdonaldson@osba.on.ca

2013-2014 TRANSPORTATION FUNDING ANNOUNCED

As previously reported by President Perry Ferguson, the Minister of Education announced, on March 27th, Grants for Student Needs Funding including transportation funding and board by board allocations for the 2013-2014 school year. The student transportation grants announcement follows, as extracted from Memorandum 2013:B5 released to Directors of Education:

“ The student transportation grant will be increased by 2 per cent in 2013-2014 to recognize higher operating costs. As in previous years, this cost update will be netted against a school board’s transportation surplus. In addition, funding adjustments due to fuel price changes will continue to be triggered by the fuel escalation and de-escalation mechanism throughout the 2013-2014 school year.”

The OSBA has confirmed with the Ministry that the “pegged price” has not changed in the formula.

Full details are on the Ministry’s website – www.edu.gov.on.ca and go to the March 27th announcement *Education Funding to continue supporting student success*. Board by board allocations are also provided there.

TRANSPORTATION STATION

ANNUAL TESTING FOR DRIVERS AGED 65–79 ENDED APRIL 1ST

As reported previously, as of April 1st classified driver licence holders who are age 65 to 79 (on or after April 1st) no longer are required to do an annual road and written test. Instead, they are placed into a five year licence renewal cycle whereby they will do a written test every five years. There is no change to the annual medical requirement. However, a road test *will* be required if the driver has a conviction as a result of a collision, or accumulates three or more demerit points (regardless of vehicle type). At age 80, annual road and written testing is required for classified licence holders.

Recognized Authorities and Signing Authorities please note that if a driver triggers a test requirement as a result of a collision conviction or demerit points, the written and road test must be administered by DriveTest and not the Signing Authority.

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- Log Books - \$1.65 per book
- Record of Duty Status Books - \$4.35 per book

Please email Elizabeth McQuade at the OSBA office to order and **state whether you require your orders now or the beginning of June!** emcquade@osba.on.ca
Remember orders MUST be in by April 15th!

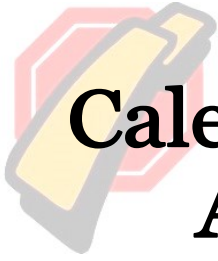
Canadian Safe Schools Network

“BULLY” - LET’S TAKE A STAND - ONE DAY CONFERENCE

The Canadian Safe Schools Network is holding an exciting one day conference - **“Bully” - Let’s Take a Stand** on April 19th at the Four Points by Sheraton - Toronto/Mississauga. Their one day conference will feature a viewing of the award-winning documentary “Bully”. Following the film, delegates will hear from leading experts on a number of themes in the film, from mental health, suicide and communicating with parents and students. For more information and to register click on the link below.




<http://canadiansafeschools.com/events/8/>



Calendar of Events April & May

April 2013

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Upcoming Events

April 7 - 10, 2013 - Ontario Transportation Expo - Toronto, ON

April 9, 2013 - OSBA Annual General Meeting

May 2013

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