## Leading to Bring STEM to Life!

Professional Learning Network # 1: Making Connections to the New Elementary Science and Technology Curriculum

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# Setting the Stage for our Learning

#### Today's Learning Goals

**Understanding why** we need a new Ontario Science and Technology Curriculum

*Exploring of similarities and differences* to our previous curriculum

Develop ideas to support first steps in implementation: *Considerations for Principals right now* 

**Engage in Learning Conversations** to share ideas and resources, make connections to our current work, gather feedback, and set next steps

The Numbers **17.9%** of licensed engineers in Canada are women. (Engineers Canada, 2020)

**24.2%** of undergraduate enrolment in engineering programs are women with the highest proportion in biosystems program, chemical engineering, and geological engineering. (Engineers Canada, 2020)

**0.6%** of undergraduate engineering students enrolled in accredited engineering programs in Canada identify as Indigenous peoples. (Engineers Canada, 2020)

**94%** of Black youth in Canada aged 15-25 said they would like to get a bachelor's degree or higher but only 60% thought they could. (Statistics Canada 2016 Census)

**71,365** Black Canadians 25 years and older had a postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).\*\* (Statistics Canada 2016 Census)

**<5%** Women representation in many trades, including automotive service technician, electrician and carpenter. (Macleans, 2020)

\*\*Total population 25 years and older was 25,043,315

### **Ontario's Leaky Pipeline of Women in Engineering Education**



The ratios are presented as the proportion of females:males at different points in the pipeline. Developed using Ontario Ministry of Education Enrolment data from 2016 (M. Wells, M. Williams, & E. Corrigan, 2018)

#### **53%**

of Black students in *Academic* stream in TDSB compared to 80% of other racialized students and 81% of white students.

(Dr. Carl James, Toward Race Equity in Education, 2017)

#### 43%

of Black students in TDSB did not apply to any postsecondary programs compared to 26% of white students and 17% of other racialized students.

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# The shortage!



Approximately **70%** of Canada's top jobs now require some level of STEM. Yet most Canadian youth disengage from STEM studies before high school graduation. (Let's Talk Science, 2019)



Between July and September 2021, there were more than **330,000 unfilled jobs in Ontario**, many of which are in the skilled trades. (Ontario Government, Labour, Training and Skills Development, 2022)



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## **Technology is created by humans**

....FOR people...

...WITH people...

# FOR people and the universe (Earth and beyond) WITH people...





#### **Diversity matters!**

Innovative designs and solutions to complex problems requires diverse perspectives, skills, knowledges and experiences!

Science & Technology is everywhere! Creating opportunities to explore and learn will help youth to make informed decisions about their own futures.





How might we design with equity and inclusivity in mind?



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# Overview of Key Changes The Ontario Curriculum, Grades 1 to 8: Science and

The Ontario Curriculum, Grades 1 to 8: Science and Technology, 2022 focuses on fundamental science and technology concepts and on STEM skills that are critical for all students to develop in our rapidly changing, scientific and technologically sophisticated world.

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### New areas of learning

STEM Skills and Connections	Contributions to science and technology	Climate change	Food literacy
Coding	Indigenous knowledges and perspectives	Engineering design process	Hands on experiential learning

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# Let's Explore the New Curriculum!



#### Leading the Implementation of the New Science an Technology Curriculum: What's Next?

Let's brainstorm and share ideas!

Go to: <a href="https://bit.ly/PLN1SciTec">https://bit.ly/PLN1SciTec</a>





# Debrief





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## Resources to support

Ontario Science Centre Science North STAO Let's Talk Science Canada Learning Code

Link to google doc with resources: https://bit.ly/PLN1\_Resources

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