

Message from the Minister

I am pleased to provide you with Alberta Learning's Funding Manual for School Authorities – School Jurisdictions, Charter Schools, Private Schools and Private ECS Operators - for the 2004-2005 school year. This manual reflects the implementation of all three pillars of the renewed Funding Framework for school jurisdictions.

I have authorized this funding manual for use by school jurisdictions, charter schools, private schools, and private ECS operators, to access Alberta Learning funding. This funding is for the provision of approved education programs for students in grades 1 to 12 and ECS children.

The manual provides details on the funding available for 2004-2005 including applicable funding rates, criteria, application procedures, and reporting that is required. Part 1 for school jurisdictions has been re-organized and reformatted with significant changes to the content. The Summary of Significant Changes outlines some of these changes for 2004-2005. I encourage you to review the manual, noting the changes and revisions as indicated by the notations "New" and "Revised" in the left-hand margin.

Any questions or comments may be directed to the appropriate contact listed on pages 3 and 4 of the Introduction section.

Best wishes for a successful school year in 2004-2005.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lyle Oberg
Minister of Learning