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Purpose of the ONSIS Application User Guide

This guide is being developed as a resource to help you use the Ontario School Information System (OnSIS) application. It provides the information that you will need to access and use the application. The guide combines step-by-step instructions, along with a comprehensive look at each of the functions.

The guide is customized for different users. There may be references made to functions, which are not available to you, and therefore are not seen on your screen.

This guide is supplemented by the following document, available at http://onsisinfo.edu.gov.on.ca:

OnSIS Handbook for School Boards and Region Offices

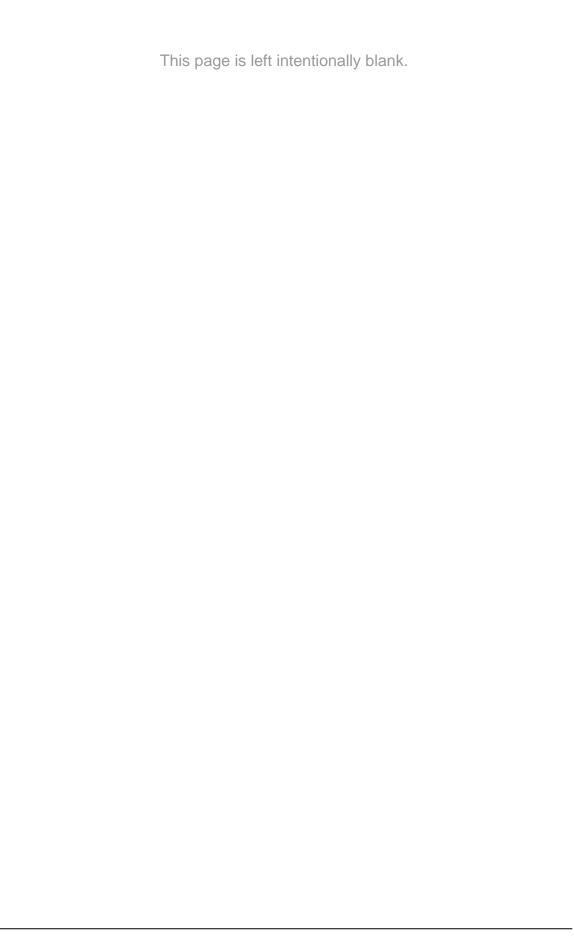
These documents have important information about OnSIS policies, procedures and the supporting application. Please look them over.

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Connecting to the OnSIS Application (Through The Ministry's Security System)

- Minimum and recommended technical requirements for using the OnSIS application can be found in Appendix A at the back of this guide.
- Appropriate paper forms will be provided and must be completed before a username and password will be provided.
- Logging on will result in:
 - A secure connection between your computer and the OnSIS application via the Internet through the Ministry's security system.
 - Access to specific OnSIS functions (and menus) based on the role you have been assigned, e.g., board administrator, school user.
- You must change your password after the first log-in but are not required to change it on a regular basis after that.

Instructions - Logging On For The First Time

Action	Result	
Enter the URL:	Access the bilingual splash page for the	
Ministry users and	Ministry of Education's Security System called	
Board/authority users:	GO-ACCESS.	
https://www.gsa.gov.on.ca/		
on your browser's address bar.	Note: Do not use this URL for training or	
	testing purposes.	
Note: If you have any difficulties logging in, call 1-888-275-5934 or		
416-212-6366 for help during office hours.		

Security splash page



Action	Result	
Select English or Français	You will be taken to the Security System's	
	log-in page.	

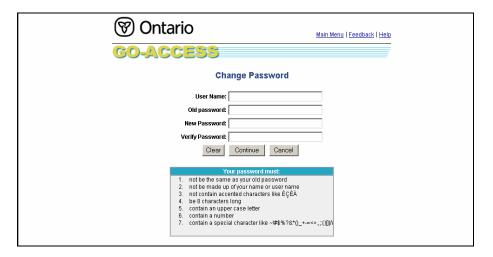
Log-in Screen



Action	Result
Bookmark this page or create	The method for doing this depends on your
a shortcut on your desktop for	browser and operating system. This will save
easier access in the future.	you from having to type in the URL each time
	you want to access OnSIS.
Enter the user name and	
password provided to you by	
e-mail.	
Note: Passwords are case	
sensitive. They expire during	
the first log in and must be	
changed.	Vou will be prompted to shape as your passyond
Click on Lewin	You will be prompted to change your password
Click on Login .	during the first log on.
If you make a mistake, click on	Information in fields will be erased allowing you
Clear.	to start again.
Click on Français to change	Page will be redisplayed in French.
working language to French.	
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Note: You will be automatically logged off (timed out) after a period of non-activity (about 15 minutes). You will be brought back to the Login screen when you attempt to use OnSIS. Any work that is not saved will be lost.

Change Password Screen



You will need to change your password the very first time you log in. You are not required to do so after that, although it is recommended you do so periodically.

Action	Result
Enter the user name and code (password)	You will see ******* in the
provided to you.	password fields.
Enter your new password twice - once in the	
New Password field and once in the Verify	
Password field.	
Your password must:	If unsuccessful, make sure that
not be the same as your old password	you have included all the
not be made up of your name or user	necessary components of the
name	password.
 not contain accented characters like è, á, ô, Ç or É 	
■ be at least 8 characters long	
 contain an upper case letter 	
contain an upper case letter	
 contain a marriser contain a special character like 	
~!#\$%?&*()_+-=<>.,;:{}[] \/	
Samples: Duckie4% or \$77School	
Click on Continue .	You will see the message "Your
	password has been
	successfully changed".
If you make a mistake, click on Clear	Erase information in fields and
	start again.
Click on Cancel.	Return to log-in screen.
Note: Clicking on Feedback will connect you	with a central security desk.
Instead, call 1-888-275-5934 or 416-212-6366	6 for help during office hours.

Secret Questions



You must input two different secret questions and answers the first time you log in. This will enable you to get a new password yourself, if you forget yours. You can access the secret question page anytime to view, change or remove the information. You are the only one who will know these questions and answers.

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Action	Result
Enter the first question/	The question should not be so general that
	anyone would know the answer, e.g., Who is the
Enter the answer.	Prime Minister of Canada?
	However, the question should not be so personal
Re-enter the answer for	as to have freedom of information implications,
validation.	e.g., Why is my mother seeing the doctor?
Note: You cannot use	Sample Questions: What is my mother's maiden
accented characters in the	name? What is my child's teacher's name?
secret questions or	Where was my father born?
answers.	,
Enter the second question.	The 2 nd question is also mandatory. If you forget
Enter the answer.	your password, you will be prompted for the
Re-enter the answer for	answer to each question.
validation.	'
Click on OK	The questions and answers will be validated.
	Where errors are made, you will get messages
	such as:
	"Answers to question one do not match.
	Please try again." OR "All input fields must be
Correct any errors that may	provided. Please correct and try again!"
have occurred.	
	You will be prompted to log on again.
Enter your user name and	You will be taken to the Security System's home
password.	page.

Instructions – Logging On After The First Time

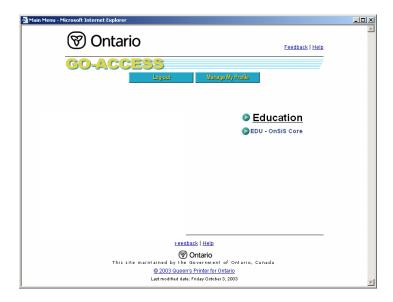
Action	Result	
Enter the URL	Access the Log-in screen.	
Ministry users and Board		
users:	UserName/Password	
https://www.gsa.gov.on.ca/	User Name:	
into your browser's address	Password:	
bar or access the shortcut or	Forgotyour password?	
favourite/bookmark that you	Clear Login	
created.		
Enter your User Name and		
Password.		
	Go to the Security System's English or French	
Click on Login .	Home page, depending on your profile.	
Other Actions	Result	
Click on Forgot your	You will be prompted to answer the secret	
password?	questions. See details later in this module.	
Click on Clear.	Information in fields will be erased allowing you	
	to start again.	

Note: You will be automatically logged off (timed out) after a period of non-activity (about 15 minutes). You will be brought back to the Login screen when you attempt to use OnSIS. Any work that is not saved will be lost.

Note: After three unsuccessful attempts at logging in, you are be required to answer the secret questions in order to obtain a new password.

Security System's Home Page

After logging in, the next screen that appears is the **Security System** Home page.



- As new Ministry applications become available, they will be accessed from the security system home page with a single user name and password.
- OEN users will see a link to the OEN as well as the OnSIS application.

	Result		
Select EDU – OnSIS.	Go to the <i>OnSIS Splash Page</i> . A new window will open (see next page).		
Click on Help .	The Help Site Menu will appear in a new window allowing you access to all Help screens. Site Menu Main Categories: Main Menu Manage Profile Change Password Change Language Secret Questions and Answers Note: This Help is only for the security system and does not provide help for the		
	OnSIS application. You must be inside the OnSIS application to obtain Help about OnSIS.		

OnSIS Splash Page



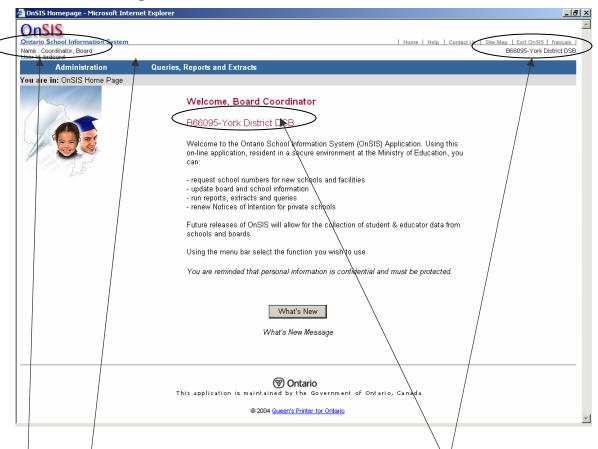
Action	Result
Click on Enter.	You will be taken to the OnSIS Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) Page.
Click on Exit	You will be taken back to the Security System's home page.

OnSIS Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) Page



Click on the Agree button to go to the OnSIS home page.

OnSIS Home Page



You will see your user name and user ID at the top left. You organization and organization ID will be shown at the top right and in red below the "Welcome" message.

Note: Board users with access to multiple boards should see the next page for instructions.

Functions and options are accessible through the blue, function menu bar, the global options menu bar (top right) and the site map. The menu bar is available on most screens (see "Using the OnSIS Application" in the next module).

You will only see the menus and menu items that are accessible to you based on your specific "role". The function menu bar in the example above displays menu options available to board co-ordinators.

Note: Always check the top right corner of the screen to ensure that you are representing the right organization. Call your Security System Administrator (Local User Authority) if the information is wrong. All users must be registered and logged in under their own user id. Generic user ids will not be issued. All transactions are logged for auditing purposes.

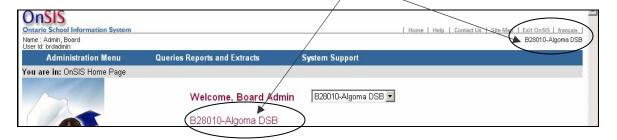
Board Users With Rights To Multiple Boards



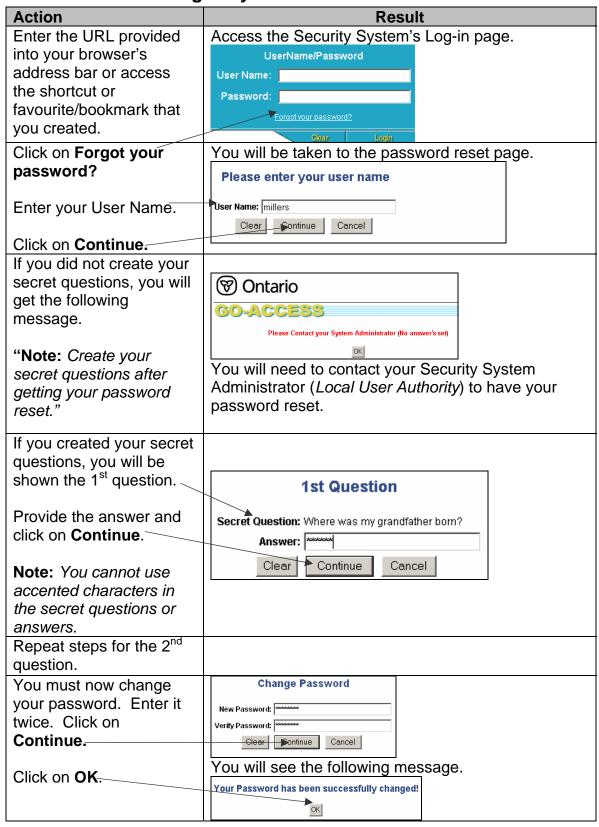
When you log in, you will see the home page for your default board. To change the default board, click on the down arrow to display the list of boards you can access. Select the board.



The home page will refresh displaying your active board.

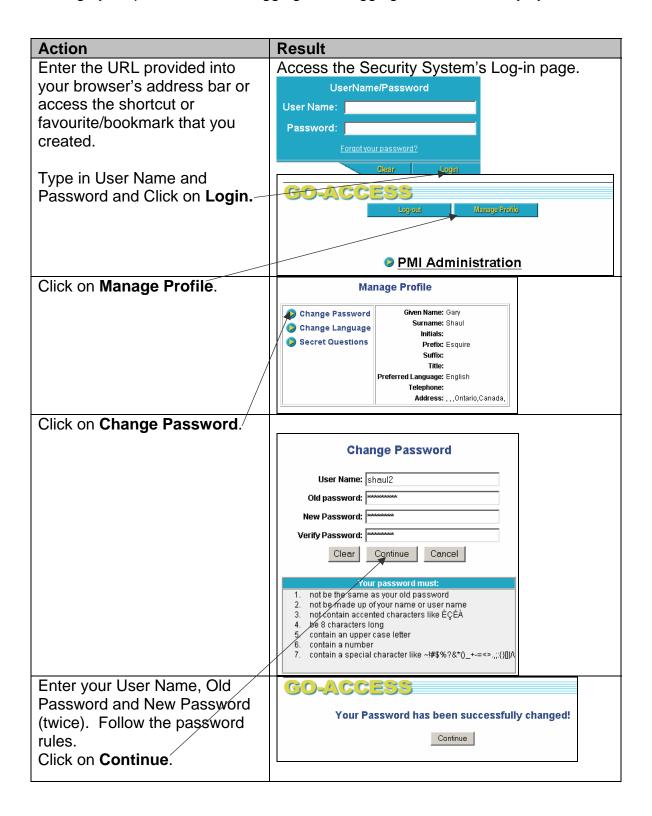


What Do I Do If I Forget My Password?



How Do I Change My Password?

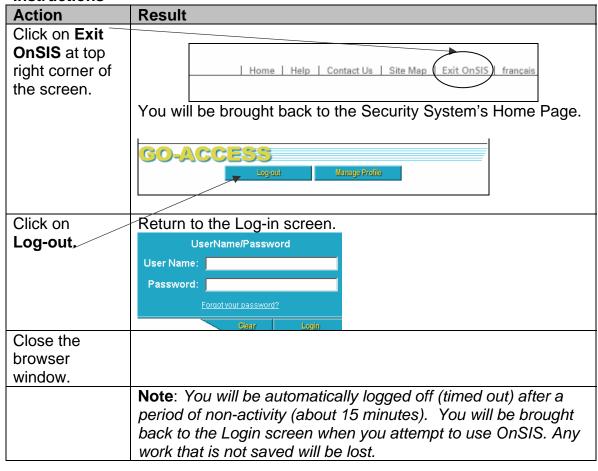
Change your password when logging on or logging off of the security system.



Logging off of the OnSIS Application and the Ministry's Security System

You may log off of the OnSIS application at any time.

Instructions



Using the OnSIS Application

Navigating The OnSIS Application



The OnSIS application uses a well-designed console that's always visible and available. This makes getting around very easy.

The console consists of the:

- Functions Menu Bar
- Global Options Menu Bar (Help, exit and more)
- "You are in" Navigator Bar
- User Identification Your name, username and organization will be displayed.

The Global Options Menu Bar

These links are available from any page except in pop-up windows.

Action	Result
Click on Home .	Return to the OnSIS home page at any time.
Click on Help .	Displays important Help information for the function you are currently using. Help also uses a searchable index of topics.
Click on Contact Us .	Displays the contact information for the Ministry of Education's OnSIS support team.
Click on Site Map .	Displays the site map of the OnSIS application to view and select OnSIS functions.
Click on Exit OnSIS.	Log out from the OnSIS application and return to the security home page.
Click on français/English.	Allows you to switch the working language at any time. All screens are available in both languages.

The Function Menu Bar

Administration	Data Collection	Queries, Reports and Extracts	MetaData Repository	System Support
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The function you have selected will be highlighted in light blue on the menu bar.

The menu bar displays the function categories that you can access. Functions and options are accessed with a single click. Users will see menu options based on their user profile. The example above displays all functions. Board users will not see all of these options.

Administration Menu

- Add and update regions
- Add and update boards
- Add and update schools
- Add and update Care Treatment and Correctional facilities (CTCF)
- Add and update private schools (Notice of Intention NOI)

Data Collection

- Add and update school and board submissions (available in Releases 2 and 3)
- Available to request Data Correction (available in Release 2)

Queries, Reports and Extracts

- Queries
- Pre-defined reports
- Report administration (Ministry use only)
- Pre-defined extracts (Ministry use only) *
- Extract administration (Ministry use only)

MetaData Repository

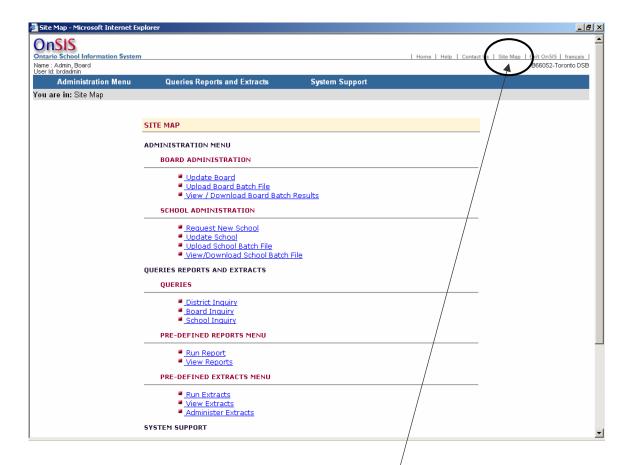
Data Dictionary – Entities (Restricted access for Ministry staff only)

System Support (Restricted access for Ministry staff only)

Action	Result
Point and click on a	A page will open for that function displaying all the
function on the	functions available to you.
menu bar.	
Point and click on the	A form will open for that module.
application module	
you would like to	
work on.	

^{*} **Note:** Board and school users will be able to generate extracts in future releases.

Site Map



The purpose of this screen is to provide access to all the application modules in a list format. Access this screen by clicking on the **Site Map** option on the global options menu bar. From this screen you can access any function to which you have rights by clicking on the function hyperlink name. This screen offers the same choices as the blue function menu bar.

The site map will only display the links that your role allows you to access. The example above shows all OnSIS modules and links. Your screen will not be exactly as shown above.

Note: You will be automatically logged off (timed out) after a period of non-activity (about 15 minutes). You will be brought back to the Login screen when you attempt to use OnSIS. Remember to complete any activities before you are timed out or you will lose the new information.

Getting Around OnSIS Forms

These rules and tips apply to all forms:

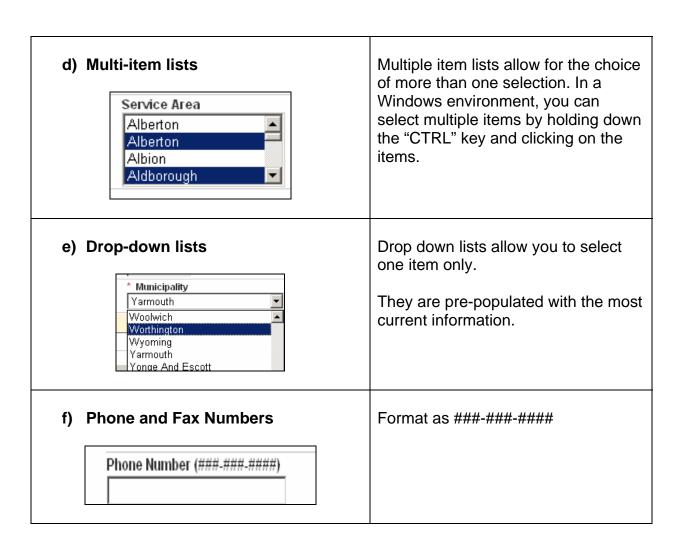
Moving around

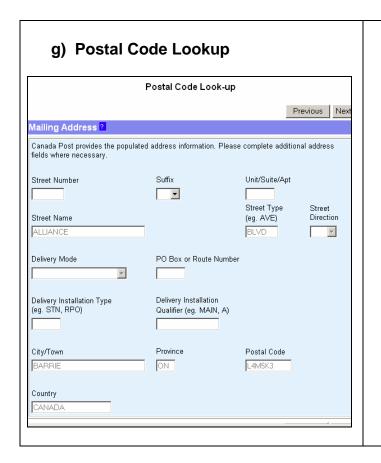
- Use your TAB key to go from field to field.
- Use SHIFT-TAB to go from field to field backwards.
- Use your arrow keys to move around items in a list.
- Point and click with mouse.

Entering Data

The following is important to note when entering data.

Field type	Instructions	
a) Mandatory fields * District Code TO	Fill in all mandatory fields identified by an asterisk (*).	
b) Date fields * Date Opened	Enter all date fields in numeric format (YYYY/MM/DD), or, click the picture of a calendar adjacent to the field to select the date. Note: When adding new sites, the Date Opened field cannot be backdated. You will receive an error message if you try to do so. You must save and then use the update function to record a past date.	
c) Validating data MEN (####-#-### If Required) Verify	Certain data must be validated before being submitted, e.g., postal codes and MENs. After you have entered the date, click on Verify.	





- 1) Enter the postal code. It must be formatted as follows: ANA NAN with a space.
- Click on Search Address to save time in typing the address.
- A Postal Code Look-up page will pop-up indicating a street name and/or number if the site is located in a building with a single postal code. Enter the street number if it is not displayed.
- 4) Click on Next.
- 5) The address fields in the form will be populated with the information from the postal code look-up.

Note: Using your browser's "Back" button is not recommended. You can lose important information. All navigation from page to page should be done using the buttons and links provided.

Error Messages

When a form is submitted with errors, it will be returned with an error message at the top of the page. Here is a sample error message.

The following errors have occurred:

Mandatory fields missing. School Site Mailing Address - Municipality

> <u>Invalid Data</u> Distance to Nearest School

Most errors occur as a result of:

- Invalid data format (e.g., postal codes, dates, e-mail addresses)
- Missing data (e.g., mandatory fields)

When you encounter an error, make the necessary changes and resubmit the form. To minimize errors, it's important to have all the required information before you begin. Before filling in any online form, scan the form for the red asterisks (*) which indicate the mandatory fields which must be completed.

Data Checklists for Mandatory Fields

Data checklists are provided in each module of this guide to assist you in preparing to use the OnSIS application. This is a sample checklist.

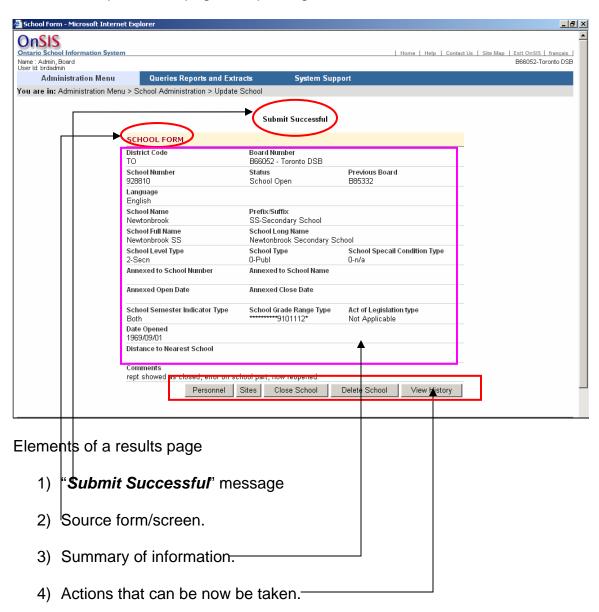
Mandatory Fields Checklist (red asterisk)

School Form	
School name	School semester indicator type
School level type	School grade range type
School type	Act of legislation type
School special condition type	Date opened

Results Pages

The OnSIS application displays a read-only "results page" whenever a process is successfully completed. While the contents of these results pages will differ from function to function, they will display information about the item that has been created or changed. To simplify and reduce the size of this guide, results pages will not be shown for every process and function.

This is a sample results page for updating school information.



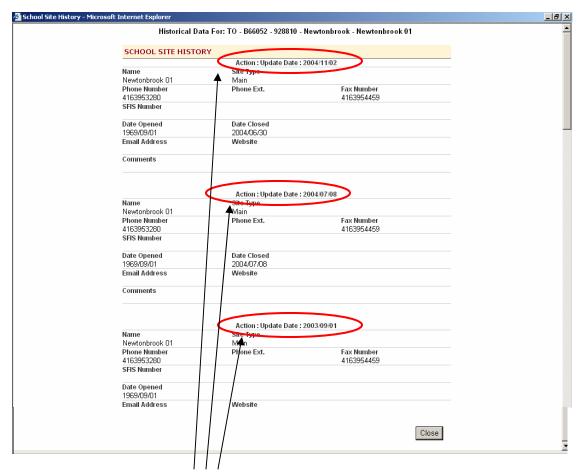
History Pages

Many of the functions in the OnSIS application have a button to "View History". The history displays a chronology of the changes made to a record.

While the history pages will vary from record to record (i.e., boards and schools), they all share a number of things in common. To simplify and reduce the size of this guide, a history page will not be shown for every process and function.

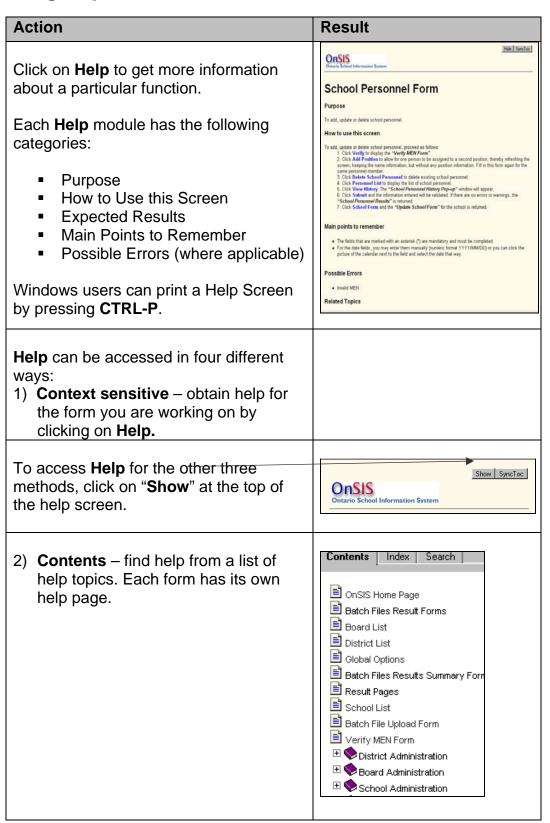
A sample "View History" page from a school site record is shown below.

The OnSIS application has been pre-populated with information from the legacy Board/School Information database that includes all currently active boards and schools, as well as closed ones.



In this example, there are three historical records for this school. You may need to scroll to see all the records.

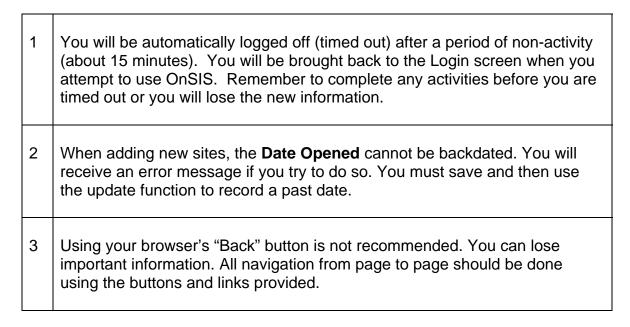
Using Help



Contents Index Search 3) Index – find help using an A to Z list. Type in the keyword to find: district district personnel district sites maximum file size update a district Verify MEN 4) **Search** – type in a keyword to find help for OnSIS Help - Microsoft Internet each topic containing that word. Use Contents Index Search multiple words to narrow down your search. Type in the word(s) to search for: New school personnel Approve New School Form Board Personnel List CTCF Personnel List CTCF Site List District Personnel List School Council Form School Council Personnel List School Personnel List

Important Things to Remember

This is a recap of some of the main points from this section.





The Administration Menu

OnSIS Administration deals primarily with managing (updating) board and school information including site locations and personnel information.* There are varying levels of access to the different functions of the OnSIS application. Secure internet connections are used to ensure privacy as well as data security and integrity.

You can only access information to which you have been authorized. Different user types will see different menus and functions. For example, a school board cannot change information for another school board. Schools cannot change information for school boards.

All users must be registered and logged in under their own user id. Generic user ids will not be issued. All transactions are logged for auditing purposes.

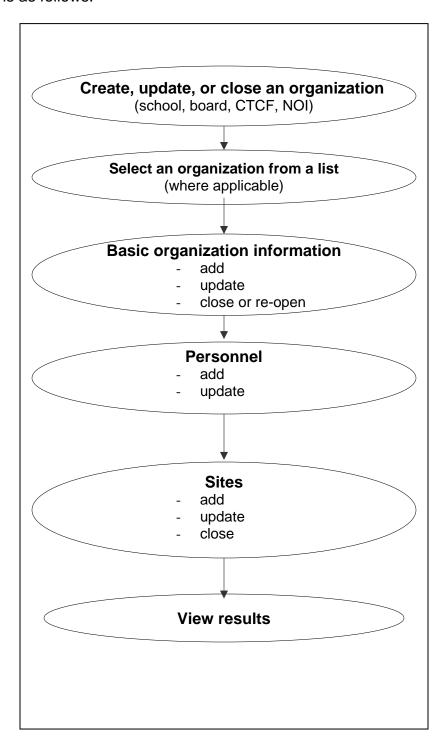
The **Administration** menu is the gateway to adding, updating, and closing boards, schools and other facilities.

Note:

Sites and personnel only need to be added one time. Once they are part of an organization's database, you can use the update function to make these sites or personnel inactive. Do not delete these records. Only records that have been added in error should be deleted.

OnSIS Administration Flowchart

Using the OnSIS application is very straightforward. Forms and processes work the same, no matter what type or organization you have selected. The generic workflow is as follows:



BOARD ADMINISTRATION OPTIONS

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

- Update Board
- Upload Board Batch File
- View / Download Board Batch File Results

The **BOARD ADMINISTRATION** functions allow authorized users to add and maintain information about school boards and authorities. The OnSIS application has been pre-populated with information from the legacy Board/School Information Database (BSID) which includes all currently active boards, as well as closed ones.

Who Can Access These Functions?

	School	Board	Ministry (IMG)
Request a new board			X
Update board		X	X
Close board			X
Re-open board			X
Delete Board			X
Transfer existing			X
schools			
Upload board batch file*		X	X
View / download board		X	X
batch results*			

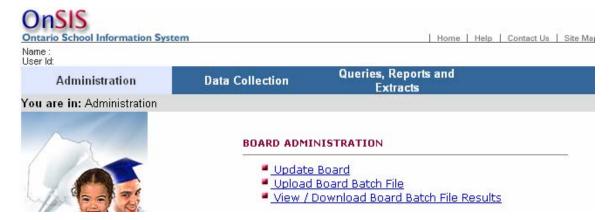
^{*} **Note:** Batch file capabilities for board and school data administration have been developed. However, specifications for creating batch files will not be made available until a later release of OnSIS.

Note: *Update Board* is the only BOARD ADMINISTRATION option discussed in this guide.

This page is left intentionally blank.

Update Board

Access this function from: **Administration**, **BOARD ADMINISTRATION**, **Update Board**.



Update Board allows an authorized user to view, add, and edit the following information:

- a) Board form (profile information)
- b) Board personnel
- c) Board sites
- d) View board history (See user guide module "Using the OnSIS Application" for more details.)

Board users can only see information for the board that they represent.

Update Board Form (Profile Information)

By default the **BOARD FORM** is pre-populated with information from the legacy *Board/School Information Database* (BSID).

* indicates that this data must	be provided	
Region Code	Status	
то	Board Open	
Board Number	DSB Ref Number	Provincial Mapping
366052	12	NORTH
Language	* Board Type	
English	Pub Dist Sch Brd (E/F)	
* Board Name	Prefix/Suffix	
Toronto	DSB - District School Board	
Board Full Name	Board Long Name	
Toronto DSB	Toronto District School Board	
Date Opened		Service Area
1998/01/01		Toronto
		Toronto
Coterminous Boards		
366303 - du Centre Sud-Oues	st .	
67059 - Toronto		
367318 - Centre-Sud		

Scroll to the bottom of the screen to the following three functions which are available on the **BOARD FORM**:



Add/Update Board Personnel

The board personnel function is used to identify key personnel who work at the board's offices. Records for board personnel may be added, and updated. Only records that have been added in error (e.g. duplicate) should be deleted.

Adding A New Person

Board personnel who should be added include:

- Director of Education or Secretary of School Authority
- Trustees (elected and appointed)
- Board contacts i.e., main contact, student data contact, etc.
- Supervisory Officers

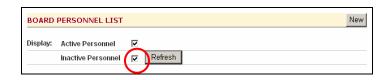
Mandatory Field Checklist – (red asterisk)

Update Board - Board personnel				
Last Name	Position Type			
First Name	Assignment Start Date			

 Select Personnel from the BOARD FORM to view BOARD PERSONNEL LIST. By default only active personnel are displayed.



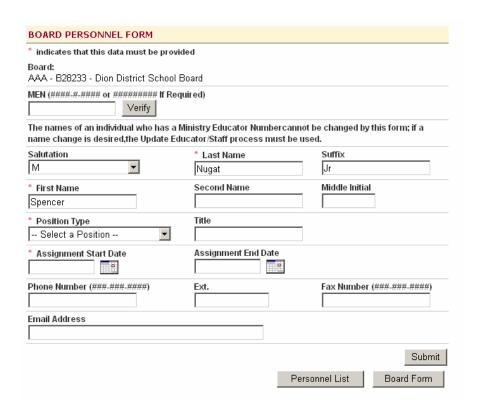
To avoid duplication, before adding a new record, check the *Inactive Personnel* to make sure that the person you are adding isn't already listed. To view *Inactive Personnel*, click the check box, then click Refresh.



3) The **BOARD PERSONNEL LIST** will re-display. Check the list of names under the *Inactive Personnel* list. If they are not on the list, click **New**, at the top of the page to add a new person.

If the person is listed, click the **blue hyper-linked name** to access and update his/her information. **Do not create a new personnel record. A BOARD PERSONNEL FORM** will display.

4) Complete all the mandatory fields on the **BOARD PERSONNEL FORM.** You may also wish to complete all other fields.



- 5) Click on Submit.
- 6) If your submission is successful, you will receive a "Submit Successful" message at the top of the BOARD PERSONNEL RESULTS form.



7) If you receive an error message, follow the instructions at the top of the **BOARD PERSONNEL RESULTS** page to correct your submission.

The following errors have occurred:

Mandatory fields missing
First Name
Position Type
Assignment Start Date

BOARD PERSONNEL FORM

8) Click on Submit again. Submit saves the form in the database. To cancel from this operation without submitting, click on Personnel List or BOARD FORM.

Note: The **Add Position** button at the bottom of the results page is used to assign multiple positions to one person. See the next section on **Updating Existing Personnel** records for more details.

^{*} indicates that this data must be provided

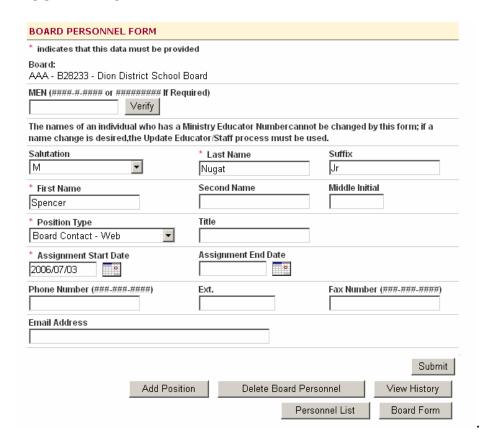
Updating Existing Personnel

Access this function from: **Administration**, **Board Administration**, **Update Board**, **BOARD FORM**.

1) Click **Personnel** from the **BOARD FORM** or any **BOARD PERSONNEL RESULTS** page to display the **BOARD PERSONNEL LIST**.



- 2) By default, only "Active Personnel" are shown. If you don't see the person on the list, check the **Inactive Personnel** by clicking the check box, then click on **Refresh**.
- Once you have identified the person whose information you want to update, click on his/her <u>blue hyperlinked name</u> to open the BOARD PERSONNEL FORM.



- 4) Make the necessary changes.
- 5) Click on **Submit**.
- 6) If your submission is successful, you will receive a "Submit Successful" message at the top of a results page.
- 7) If you receive an error message, follow the instructions at the top of the results page to correct your submission. Then click **Submit** again.

Adding A Second Position To A Single Person

8) In cases where one person may be holding two positions within an office, you should add the second position using the Add Position button at the bottom of the BOARD PERSONNEL FORM. This will duplicate the original record except for the Assignment Start and End Dates and the name of the position, which you must provide. As a result, the person will have two listings on the BOARD PERSONNEL FORM.

Changing a personnel record from inactive to active.

Where a person who once worked in an office has returned to that office or a person has had their assignment extended:

- a) Delete the "Assignment End Date", or
- b) Change the "Assignment End Date" to a date in the future.

The **View History** button will show each person's different assignments, while the **BOARD PERSONNEL FORM** will show the current assignment.

Changing a personnel record from <u>active to inactive</u>.

Where a person no longer works in a Board Office,

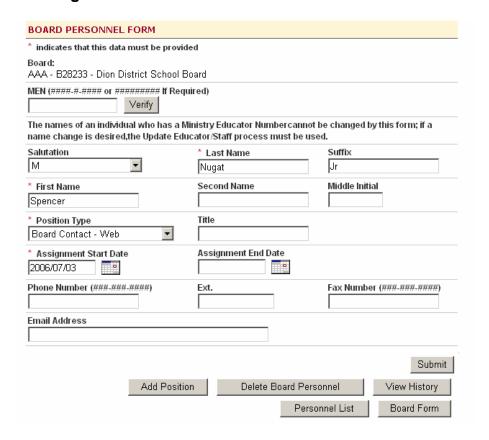
- a) Add the "Assignment End Date", or
- b) Change the existing "Assignment End Date" to a date in the past.

Do not use the delete personnel function in this situation.

If this is a person changing positions within the same office or taking on multiple roles, his/her record only needs to be created once.

Do not create duplicate personnel records.

Deleting Board Personnel Records



In cases where personnel may have been created in error:

- 1) Select the person from the **BOARD PERSONNEL LIST**.
- 2) Click the **Delete Board Personnel** button to delete the record.
- 3) You will be prompted with a warning asking if you are sure. Click on **OK.**
- 4) You will receive the following message:

Board personnel assignment has been deleted NB - B28010 - AlgomaJack Smith - Superintendent 2002/10/07

c) Board Sites

Access this function from: **Administration, BOARD ADMINISTRATION, Update Board, BOARD FORM.**

The Board **Sites** function is used to identify and manage information about all locations used by school boards. All sites must be listed. Each site can have both a mailing address and a physical location.

One of these sites must be identified as the main site.

Board sites include the head office and any other facilities operated by boards other than schools.

Site records for boards may be added or updated.

BOARD SITE LIST

1) From the bottom of the **BOARD FORM**, click on **Sites**.



The BOARD SITE LIST will be displayed.



By default, only the "Active Sites" are displayed. To view the "Inactive Sites", click its checkbox, then click on Refresh. All board sites will be displayed.



From the **BOARD SITE LIST**, you can:

- Add a new site.
- Update an existing site.
- Delete a record that was made in error.
- Return to the Board Form.

Add A New Site

Access this function from: Administration, BOARD ADMINISTRATION, Update Board, BOARD FORM, Sites, New

Selecting **New** will display the **BOARD SITE FORM**. Scroll down the page to view all three sections:

- a) Board site form (profile information)
- b) Board site mailing address
- c) Board site physical location

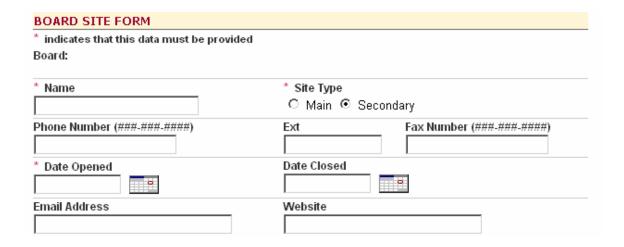
In order to avoid duplication, before adding any new sites, always check thoroughly (including inactive sites) to ensure that a site record does not already exist. If it exists, update the information rather than create a new site.

Note: Boards can only have one main site. All other sites are considered secondary. Secondary sites can be added using the **Update Board** function.

a) Board Site Form (Profile Information)

Mandatory Fields Checklist (red asterisk)

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Add site - Add Board Site		
Name		
Site Type		
Date Opened		



- 1) Complete the mandatory fields:
 - a. Site name e.g., Main office, warehouse, etc.
 - b. Site type there can only be one "Main" site per board. All other sites are secondary.
 - c. Date opened.

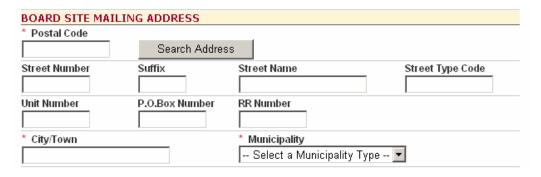
Note: You cannot backdate a new site. If you need to do this, use today's date to create the record, save and then go back in to perform an update.

- 2) Fill in the optional information.
- 3) Scroll down to the next section of the form, **BOARD SITE MAILING ADDRESS.**

b) BOARD SITE MAILING ADDRESS

Mandatory Fields Checklist (red asterisk)

Add site - Board Site Mailing Address	
Postal Code	
City/Town	
Municipality	

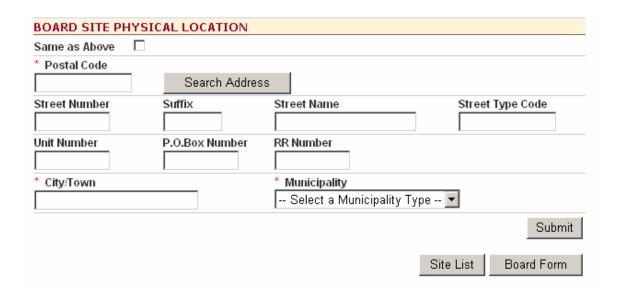


- 1) Complete the mandatory fields. See the user guide module "*Using the OnSIS Application*" for details on using the postal code lookup.
- 2) Fill in the optional fields.
- 3) Move to the last section, **Board Site Physical Location**.

c) Board Site Physical Location

Mandatory Fields Checklist (red asterisk)

Add Site - Board Site Physical Location
Postal Code
City/Town
Municipality



 If the physical location is the same as the mailing location, click the Same As Above checkbox.

- 2) If it is different, follow the steps on the previous page for the **Board Site Mailing Address**.
- 3) When all information has been entered, click on **Submit**.
- 4) If you receive an error message, follow the instructions as shown in the example below to correct your submission. **Submit** again.

The following errors have occurred:

Mandatory fields missing.
BOARD SITE MAILING ADDRESS - City/Town
BOARD SITE MAILING ADDRESS - Municipality

A Site cannot be created with the same name as another site for the same district/board/school

Site Date Opened must be equal or greater than current date

- 5) If successful, the **Board Site** results *page* will be displayed with the updated information and the message "*Submit Successful*".
- 6) From the **Board Site Results** page, you can **View History** or return to either the **Site List** or the **Board Form**.

Update Existing Board Site

Access this function from: **Administration, Board Administration, Update Board, BOARD FORM, Sites.**



- 1) Click on the **blue hyperlink** for the site you want to update.
- 2) The form opens displaying the information on file. The information is divided into three sections. Scroll down to see each of the sections:
 - Board Site Form (profile information)
 - Board Site Mailing Address
 - Board Site Physical Location
- 3) Make changes as required (see the previous section **Add New Site** for a detailed description).
- 4) Click on **Submit.**
- 5) If you receive an error message correct your submission.



- 6) Click on **Submit** again.
- 7) If successful, the message "Submit Successful" above the BOARD SITE RESULTS form will appear.
- 8) From the **Board Site** Results page, you can **View History** or return to either the **Site List** or the **Board Form**.

Changing the status of a site from inactive to active

If a site office that was once used is going to be reopened or its use is going to be extended, the status for that site can be changed back to active.

- a) Delete the information in the Date Closed field, or
- b) Change the **Date Closed** field to a date in the future.

Changing the status of a site from active to inactive

Where a site is no longer in use:

- a) Add a date to the **Date Closed** field, or
- b) Change the existing date to a date in the past.

Note: Do not use the **Delete Site** function in this situation. It is used only when a site has been created in error.

Note: Do not create duplicate records for one site.

Delete A Board Site

In cases where a record for a site may have been created in error (e.g., duplicate record):

- Use the **Delete Board Site** button at the bottom of the form to delete the record.
- 2) You will be prompted with a warning asking if you are sure.
- 3) Click **OK**.
- 4) You will receive the following message:



5) You can now return to either the **Site List** or the **Board Form**.

School Administration

- Request New School
- Update School
- Upload School Batch File
- View/Download School Batch File

School Administration allows authorized users to:

- Add records for publicly-funded schools.
- Update profile, personnel, and site information for
 - o Publicly-funded schools,
 - o Care, treatment and correctional facilities (CTCFs),
 - o Private school (Notice of Intention (NOI) requests.

The OnSIS application has been pre-populated with information from the legacy Board/School Information Database (BSID) that includes all currently active and closed schools.

Who can access these functions?

			Ministry	
	School	Board	Region Offices	Private Schools Unit
Request new school *		X		
Update publicly-funded school	X**	X		
Update CTCF			X	
Update private school				X
Upload school batch file	X ***	X ***		
View / download school batch results	X***	X***		

^{*} Note: CTCF and private school records cannot be added with this function. To add these types of records, use the Enter New NOI or Request new CTCF function from the **Administration** menu.

^{**} Note: School users will not have access to this function until a later release of OnSIS.

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Request New School

Access this function from: **Administration, School Administration, Request New School**

Request New School allows an authorized user to add a new school record under his/her Board's domain. Only publicly funded (including separate) schools may be added.

Use the **Notice of Intention** function **to add private school** records and the **CTCF Approval** function **to add new care, treatment and correctional facility** records.

This form has five sections:

- a) School profile information
- b) School personnel form
- c) Main school site
- d) School site mailing address
- e) School site physical address

Note: School users cannot request a new school site.

Before adding a new school, use this checklist to ensure you have all the necessary information. Partially completed forms cannot be submitted.

Mandatory Field Checklist (red asterisk)

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a) School Profile Information	c) Main School Site		
Region Code	Name		
Board Number	Date Opened		
School Name	d) School Site Mailing Address		
School Level Type	Postal Code		
School Type	City/Town		
School Special Condition Type	Municipality		
School Semester Indicator Type	e) School Site Physical Location		
School Grade Range Type	Postal Code		
Act of Legislation Type	City/Town		
Date Opened	Municipality		
b) School Personnel Form			
Last Name/ First Name			
Position Type			
Assignment Start Date			

Note: School Council information is added using the **Update School** function after the school record has been created. See the next user guide module.

From the main blue bar select, **Administration**, **Request a New School**.

A five-part **SCHOOL FORM** will be displayed:

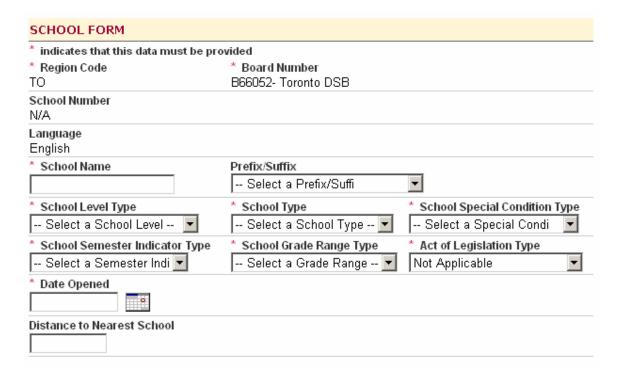
SCHOOL FORM, SCHOOL PERSONNEL FORM, MAIN SCHOOL SITE, SCHOOL SITE MAILING ADDRESS, AND SCHOOL SITE PHYSICAL LOCATION

1) SCHOOL FORM

This section provides profile information about the type of school being requested.

The following fields cannot be changed:

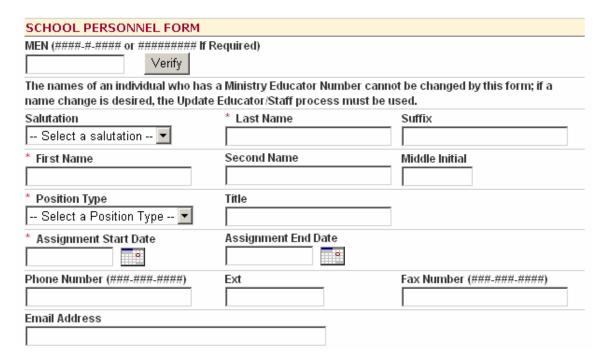
- region code
- board name
- board number
- language



- a) Complete the mandatory fields and fill in the optional fields.
- b) To enter School Level Type, School Type, and School Special Condition Type, see "Valid Combination of School Types" in Appendix B at the back of this guide.
- c) Distance to nearest school Enter a number only (in kilometres)
- d) Scroll down to the next section of the form, **School Personnel**.

2) SCHOOL PERSONNEL FORM

The school personnel section is used to identify the school principal. Other school staff do not need to be added at this time.

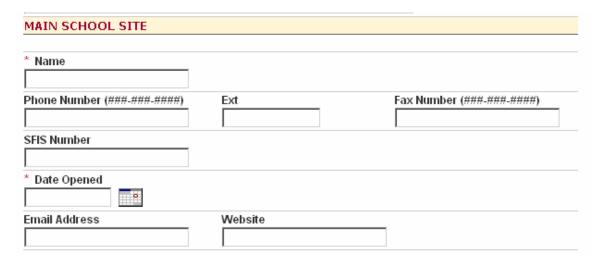


Note: The Ministry Educator Number (MEN) will be implemented in a future release and is not active at this time.

- 1) Complete the mandatory fields.
- 2) Fill in the optional fields.
- 3) Move to the next section of the form, **Main School Site**.

3) MAIN SCHOOL SITE

This section provides information about the main site of the school.



a) Fill in the mandatory fields.

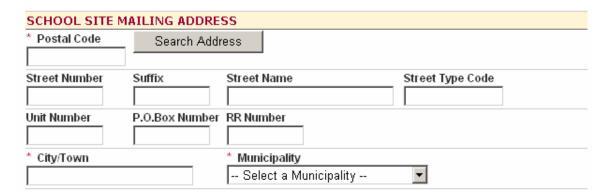
Note: The **Main School Site** name should be the same as the school name unless there is more than one site.

Note: When adding new sites, the **Date Opened** field cannot be backdated. Complete the form and submit it with the current date and then use the update function to record a past date if required.

- b) Fill in the optional fields.
- c) Move to the next section of the form, School Site Mailing Address.

4) SCHOOL SITE MAILING ADDRESS

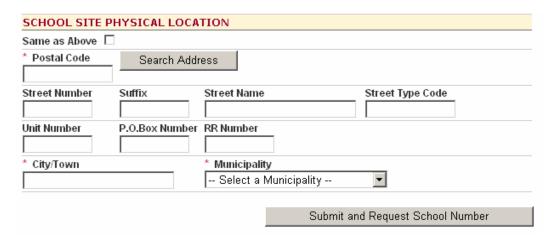
This section provides mailing address information about the main site of the school.



- a) Complete the mandatory fields. For details on using the *Postal Code Lookup*, see the user guide module "*Using the OnSIS Application*".
- b) Select the municipality from the drop-down list.
- c) Fill in the optional fields.
- d) Move to the next section of the form, **School Site Physical Location**.

5) SCHOOL SITE PHYSICAL LOCATION

This section provides address information about the physical site of the school if different than the mailing address.



- a) If the physical location of the school is the same as the mailing location, click the "Same As Above" checkbox.
- b) If it is different, follow the steps from the previous page for the **School Site Mailing Address.**

Once all information has been entered:

- a) Click on Submit and Request School Number.
- b) If you receive an error message, follow the instructions as shown in the example below to correct your submission.



- c) Click on **Submit** again.
- d) If successful, the Request New School Results page will be displayed with the updated information and the message "Submit Successful". *
- e) From the **Request New School Results** page, you can **View History** or return to the **School Form**.

*Note: Once submitted, the Ministry will validate all the information, process the request and issue a new school number.

Update School

Access this function from: **Administration, Board Administration, Update School.**

Board users will only see the schools belonging to the board that they represent. These schools will be presented on a **School List**.

School users can only access the record for their own school.

Private school and **care**, **treatment and correctional facility** records are also updated using this function.

Update School allows an authorized user to view, add, and update the following information:

- a) School profile
- b) School council
- c) School personnel list
- d) School sites
- e) Close or re-open a school
- f) Delete records created in error (duplicates)
- g) View school history (see user guide module "Using the OnSIS Application" for more details)

Note: School users with access to multiple schools should double-check to ensure that they've selected the right school before beginning to update a record.

School List

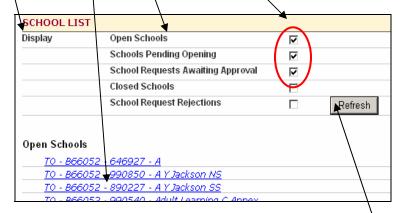
The **School List** is used by Board users to locate and open school records. The list contains **hyperlinks** to each school within a board's jurisdiction.

There are two parts to this screen:

- Display school status category checkboxes
- A list of hyperlinks for those school records

There are five status categories. Checkboxes are used to select one or more categories that will group the schools by their status. By default, the following schools are displayed:

- Open\schools
- Schools pending opening
- School requests awaiting approval



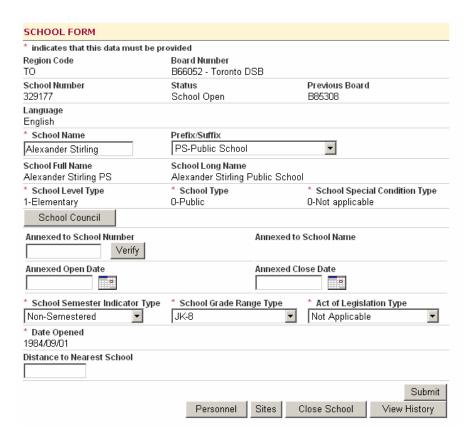
Hyperlinks display the region, board number, school number and school name. To see a list of *Closed Schools* and *School Request Rejections* (or any combination of schools) select the checkbox(es) and click on **Refresh**.

a) SCHOOL FORM (School Profile Information)

This form displays general information of the school selected.

Access this function from: Administration, Update School, School List

1) Select a school from the **School List**. The **SCHOOL FORM** will display.



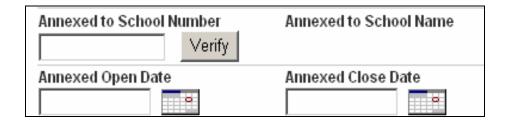
- By default the follow fields will be displayed and cannot be changed: Region Code, Board Number, School Number, Status, Language, and Previous Board.
- Make the necessary changes to those fields that can be modified.
- Click on the Submit button.
- 5) The **SCHOOL FORM** will be displayed with the updated information and the message "**Submit Successful**".
- 6) If you receive an error message, follow the instructions at the top of the results page to correct your submission. Click on **Submit** again.

Annexed Schools

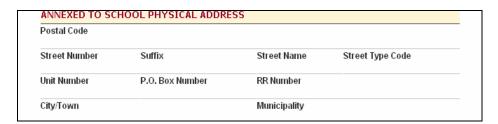
A school that has been annexed to another school (known as a parent school) comes under the administration of that school and shares the same principal. When this has occurred, provide the following information on the **SCHOOL FORM** for the school that has been annexed.

Note: If you provide a school number, you must provide an **Annexed Open Date**.

Note: A school that is annexed can move from one parent school to another. When this happens, the **Annexed Close Date** for the first parent school needs to be indicated.



- 1) Enter the school number and click on Verify.
- 2) Add the **Annexed Open Date** and **Annexed Close Date** (where applicable).
- 3) Click on **Submit.** If you forget this step, the information will not be saved.
- A new section will be added to the SCHOOL FORM.



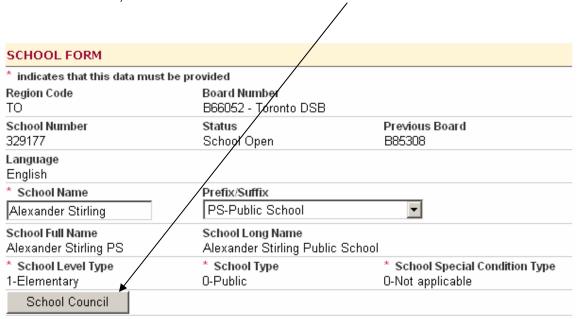
5) The **School Form** page will be displayed with the updated information and the message "**Submit Successful**". If you receive an error message, follow the instructions at the top of the page and click on **Submit** again.

b) SCHOOL COUNCIL FORM

This form is used to collect information about the School Council. An authorized user can view, add, and edit the following information:

- School council profile
- School council members
- Delete records made in error (i.e. duplicate)

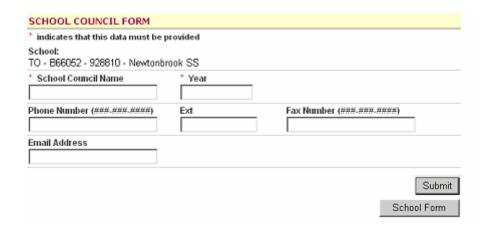
Access this function from:Administration, Update School, School List, SCHOOL FORM, School Council



Mandatory Field Checklist (red asterisk)

SCHOOL COUNCIL FORM
School Council Name
(School) Year
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBER FORM
Last Name
First Name
Position Type
Assignment Start Date

Add a School Council



1) Complete the mandatory information.

Note: School Council Name can be the same name as the school.

Note: Year (must be in format YYYY-YYYY e.g., 2005-2006) to represent the school year.

- 2) Fill in the optional information.
- 3) Click on Submit.
- 4) The **School Council Form** page will be displayed with the updated information and the message "**Submit Successful**". If you receive an error message, make sure the <u>year</u> is formatted properly. Click on **Submit** again.

Note: You must add the School Council before adding members.

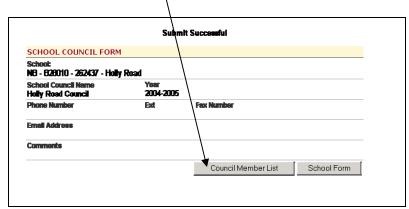
Add School Council Members

There are two methods of adding school council members:

- when the council is first created, or
- by adding additional council members after the council has been created.

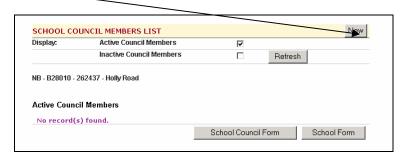
a) Add School Council Members at Council Creation

1) Click on the Council Members List button on the SCHOOL COUNCIL FORM results page after you have added the council.



This will display the **School Council Members List** which will have no records.

2) Click New to add a new school council member.



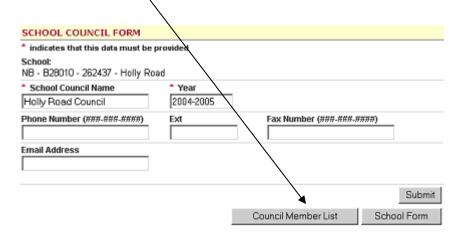
3) Complete the **School Council Member** form (as shown after the next page).

Note: Only add the School Council Chair (or Co-chair if applicable).

b) Add Additional School Council Members

Access this function from: Administration, Update School, School List, SCHOOL FORM, School Council

 Once a school council member record has been created, clicking on School Council from the SCHOOL FORM will display the SCHOOL COUNCIL FORM with a Council Member List button.



- 2) Click on this button to display the **SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS LIST**. By default, the list displays only active members.
- 3) To avoid duplication before adding a new record, check the *Inactive Council Members* to make sure that the person you are adding isn't already listed. To view *Inactive Council Members*, click the check box then click on **Refresh**.



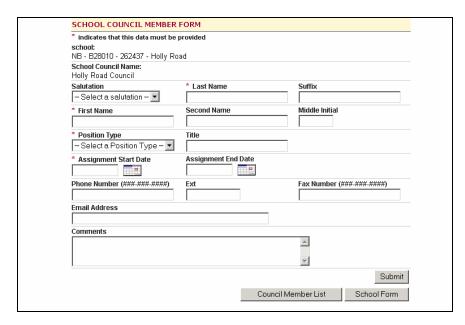
- Check the names of inactive council members. If the person you are adding is not on the list, click **New** to add a record on the **School Council Members List**.
- 5) If the person is listed, do not create a new school council record. Click his/her <u>blue hyper-linked name</u> to access and update the information. See next page for details on **Updating School Council Members.**

c) School Council Member Form

Mandatory Fields Checklist (red asterisk)

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBER FORM
Last Name
First Name
Position Type
Assignment Start Date

Note: Only add the School Council Chair (or Co-chair if applicable).



- 1) Complete the **School Council Member** form:
 - a. Mandatory fields
 - b. Optional information
- 2) Click on Submit.
- 3) If your submission is successful, you will receive a "Submit Successful" message at the top of the School Council Member results page. If you receive an error message, follow the instructions at the top of the results page to correct your submission. Click on Submit again.

Update School Council

- 1) Click on School Council from the SCHOOL FORM .
- 2) Make the necessary changes.
- 3) Click on **Submit**.
- 4) The **School Council Results Form** will be displayed with the updated information and the message "**Submit Successful**. If you receive an error message, follow the instructions at the top of the results page to correct your submission. Click on **Submit** again.

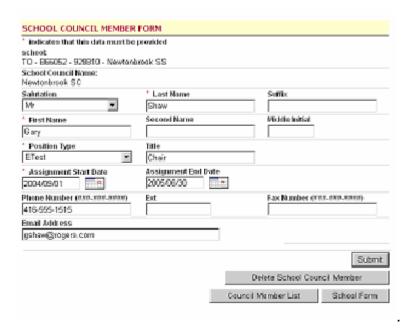
Update School Council Members

Access this function from: Administration, Update School, School List, SCHOOL FORM, School Council

1) Click on Council Member List to update information about council members. The list displays active members by default. To view **inactive members**, click the check box, and then click on **Refresh**.



 Once you have identified the personnel whose information you want to update, click on their <u>blue hyperlinked name</u> to open the **School** Council Member Form.



- 3) Make the necessary changes.
- 4) Click on the Submit button.
- 5) If your submission is successful, you will receive a "Submit Successful" message at the top of the SCHOOL COUNCIL FORM page. If you receive an error message, follow the instructions at the top of the results page to correct your submission. Click on Submit again.

Changing a School Council Member's record from inactive to active.

Where a person who served on School Council has returned for another term change the **Assignment Start Date** to a date within the current academic year and delete the **Assignment End Date**.

Do not create a duplicate record for School Council members.

Changing a School Council Member's record from active to inactive.

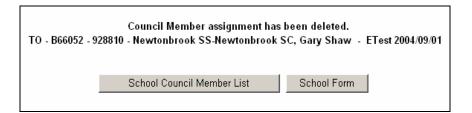
Where a person no longer serves on the School Council, update the **Assignment End Date**.

Do not use the delete school council member function in this situation. Use this function only when a record has been created by mistake.

Delete School Council Member Record

In cases where records have been created in error:

- 1) Select the member from the **School Council List.**
- 2) Click the **Delete School Council Member** button to delete the record.
- 3) You will be prompted with a warning asking if you are sure.
- 4) Click OK.
- 5) You will receive the following message:

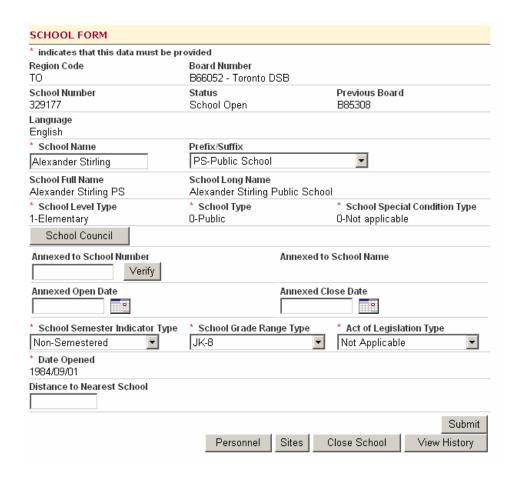


6) Return to the SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBER LIST or the SCHOOL FORM.

c) School Personnel

The school personnel function is used to identify the school principal and other administrators.

Access this function from: **Administration**, **Update School**, **SCHOOL FORM**, **Personnel**



Records for school personnel may be added and updated.

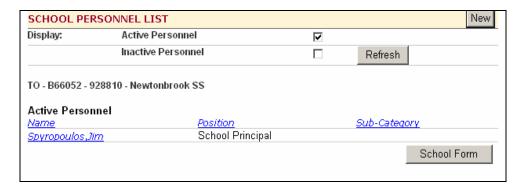
Mandatory Field Checklist (red asterisk)

Last Name	
First Name	
Position Type	
Assignment Start Date	

Add New Personnel

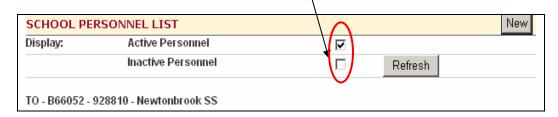
Before adding a new school principal, check thoroughly to ensure that she/he is not already listed.

1) Click **Personnel** from the **SCHOOL FORM** or **SCHOOL FORM RESULTS** page.



The **School Personnel List** will display active personnel.

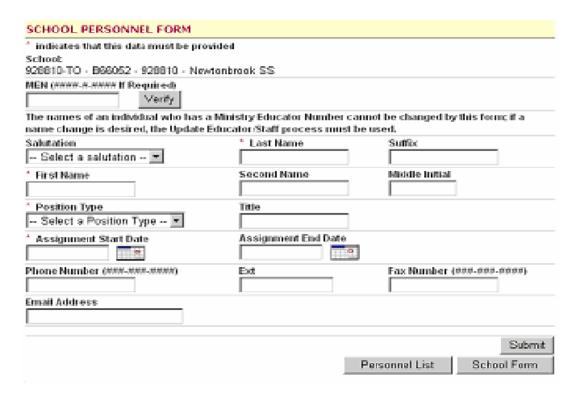
2) To avoid duplication before adding a new record, check the **Inactive Personnel** box to make sure that the person you are adding isn't already listed. To view **Inactive Personnel**, click the check box and then click **Refresh**.



3) Check the list of names of inactive personnel. If the person you are adding is not on the list, click **New** to add a record.

If the person is listed, click his/her <u>blue hyper-linked name</u> to access and update the information. See the next section for details. **Do not create a new personnel record for someone already listed.**

- 4) Complete the SCHOOL PERSONNEL FORM.
 - a. Complete the mandatory fields.
 - b. Fill in the optional information.



- 5) Click on Submit.
- 6) If your submission is successful, you will receive a "Submit Successful" message at the top of the School Personnel Form results page.
- 7) If you receive an error message, follow the instructions at the top of the results page to correct your submission. Click on **Submit** again.

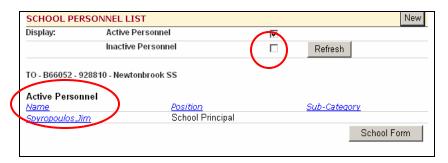
Note: To cancel from this operation without submitting, click on **Personnel List** or **SCHOOL FORM**.

Note: The **Add Position** button at the bottom of the results page is used to assign multiple positions to one person. See the next section on **Updating Existing Personnel** for more details.

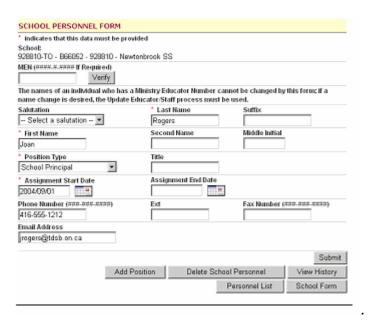
Update Existing Personnel

Access this function from: **Administration**, **Update School**, **School List**, **SCHOOL FORM**, **Personnel**

1) Click **Personnel** from the **SCHOOL FORM** or school results page to display the **SCHOOL PERSONNEL LIST**.



- 2) By default, only **Active Personnel** are shown. If you don't see the person on the list, check the **Inactive Personnel** by clicking the check box, then click on the **Refresh** button.
- Once you have identified the person whose information you want to update, click on their <u>blue hyperlinked name</u> to open the SCHOOL PERSONNEL FORM.



- 4) Make the necessary changes.
- 5) Click on the **Submit** button.
- 6) If your submission is successful, you will receive a "Submit Successful" message at the top of the SCHOOL PERSONNEL FORM.

7) If you receive an error message, follow the instructions at the top of the page to correct your submission. Click on **Submit** again.

Changing a personnel record from inactive to active.

Where a person who once worked in a school has returned to that school or has had his/her assignment extended:

- a. Delete the Assignment End Date, or
- b. Change the **Assignment End Date** to a date in the future.

His/her *History* will show each of the different assignments while THE **SCHOOL PERSONNEL FORM** will show the current assignment.

Changing a personnel record from active to inactive.

Where a person no longer works in a school:

- a. Add an **Assignment End Date**, or
- b. Change the existing **Assignment End Date** to a date in the past.

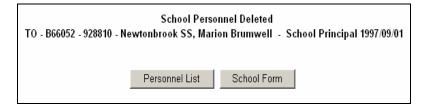
Do not use the Delete School Personnel function in this situation.

If this person is changing positions within the same school e.g., the Viceprincipal becomes principal or is taking on multiple roles, his/her record only needs to be created once. **Do not create duplicate record.**

Delete a School Personnel Record

In cases where a person may have been created in error:

- 1) Select the person from the **School Personnel List.**
- 2) Click the **Delete School Personnel** button to delete the record.
- 3) You will be prompted with a warning asking if you are sure.
- 4) Click OK.
- 5) You will receive the following message:



d) School Sites

Access this function from: Administration, Update School, School List, SCHOOL FORM

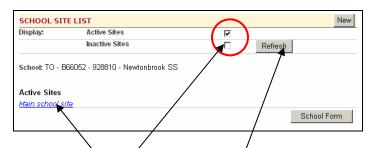
The **School Site** function is used to identify and manage information about all locations where instruction is being delivered. All sites must be listed. Each site can have both a mailing address and a physical location.

One of these sites must be identified as the main site.

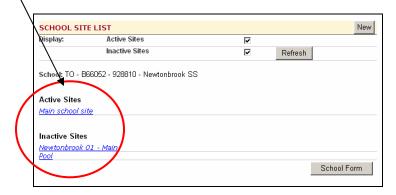
Site records for schools may be added and updated. In order to avoid duplication, before adding any new sites, always check thoroughly (including inactive sites) to ensure that a record for the site does not already exist.

School Site List

- 1) From the **SCHOOL FORM**, click on **Sites**.
- 2) The SCHOOL SITE LIST will be displayed.



By default, only the **Active Sites** are displayed. To view the **Inactive Sites**, click the checkbox followed by **Refresh**. All school sites will be displayed.



From the **School Site List** you can:

- Add a new site
- Update an existing site
- Delete a record that was created by mistake
- Return to the SCHOOL FORM

Add A New School Site

Access this function from: Administration, Update School, School List, SCHOOL FORM, Sites, New

The Add A New Site form has three sections:

- a) School Site Form
- b) School Site Mailing Address
- c) School Site Physical Location

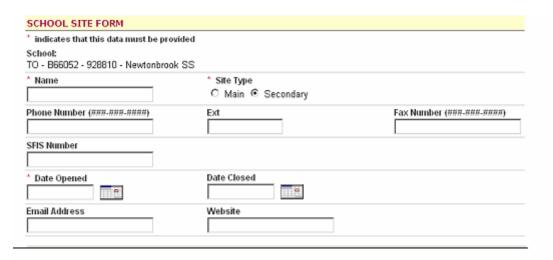
a) School Site Form

Mandatory Field Checklist (red asterisk)

Name	Note
School Site Form	
Site Type	There can only be one <i>main site</i> . All others are secondary sites.
Date Opened	When adding new sites, the Date Opened field cannot be backdated. You must submit and then use the update function and select a date in the past.
School Site Mailing Address	
Postal Code	
City/Town	
Municipality	
School Site Physical Location	
Postal Code	
City/Town	
Municipality	

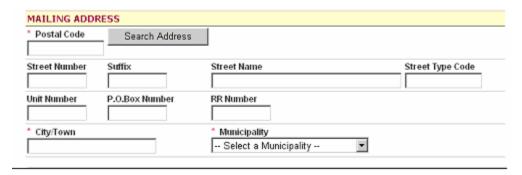
Note: In order to avoid duplication, before adding any new sites, always check thoroughly (including inactive sites) to ensure that a site record does not already exist. If it does, you can update the information rather than creating a new record for the site.

SCHOOL SITE FORM



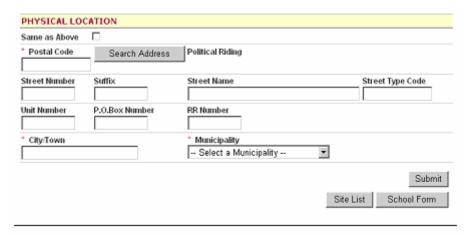
- 1) Complete the mandatory fields.
- 2) Fill in the optional information.
- 3) Move to the next part of the form school site MAILING ADDRESS

b) School Site MAILING ADDRESS



- 1) Complete the mandatory fields. For details on using the *Postal Code Lookup*, see the user guide module "*Using the OnSIS Application*".
- 2) Move to the last part of the form school site PHYSICAL LOCATION.

c) School Site PHYSICAL LOCATION



- 1) If the physical location is the same as the mailing location, click the "Same as Above" checkbox.
- 2) If it is different, follow the steps from the previous page for the school site **Mailing Address**.
- 3) When all information has been entered, click on Submit.
- 4) If you receive an error message, follow the instructions as shown in the example below to correct your submission. Click on **Submit** again.

The following errors have occurred:

<u>Mandatory fields missing.</u>

Mailing Address - Municipality

Physical Location - Municipality

- 5) If successful, the **SCHOOL SITE** page will be displayed with the updated information and the message "*Submit Successful*".
- 6) From the SCHOOL SITE page, you can View History or return to either the School Site List or the SCHOOL FORM.

Update Existing School Site

Access this function from: **Administration**, **School Administration**, **Update School**, **School List**

- 1) Click on the **blue hyperlink** for the site you want to update.
- 2) The **SCHOOL FORM** opens displaying the information on file. The information is broken into three sections:
 - a. School site form
 - b. School site mailing address
 - c. School site physical location
- 3) Make changes as required (see the previous section **Add New Site** for a detailed description).
- 4) Click on Submit.
- 5) If you receive an error message, follow the instructions as shown in the example on the next page to correct your submission. **Submit** again.
- 6) If successful, the **School Site** results page will be displayed with the updated information and the message "**Submit Successful**".
- 7) From the **School Site** result page, you can **View History** or return to either the **Site List** or the **SCHOOL FORM**.

Changing the status of a site from inactive to active.

If a school site that was once used is going to be reopened or its use is going to be extended, the status for that site can be changed back to active.

- a. Delete the information in the Date Closed field, or
- b. Change the **Date Closed** field to a date in the future.

Changing the status of a site from active to inactive.

Where a site is no longer in use:

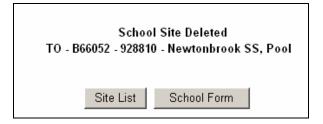
- a. Add a date to the **Date Closed** field, or
- b. Change the existing **Date Closed** to a date in the past

Do not use the delete site function in this situation.

Using the Delete Function

In cases where a site may have been created in error e.g., duplicate record:

- 1) Use the **Delete School Site** button to delete the record.
- 2) You will be prompted with a warning asking if you are sure.
- 3) Click OK.
- 4) You will receive the following message:



5) You can now return either the Site List or the SCHOOL FORM.

e) Close or Re-open a School

Close A School

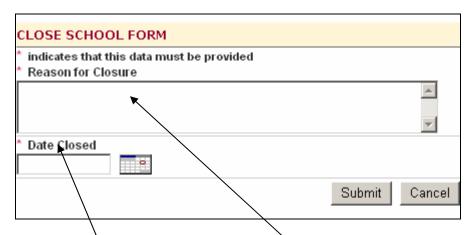
Use this function to change a school's status from active to inactive.

Access this function from: Administration, School Administration, Update School, School List, SCHOOL FORM

Mandatory Fields Checklist (red asterisk)

Close School Form		
Reason for Closure		
Date Closed		

 Click on CLOSE SCHOOL FORM from the bottom of the SCHOOL FORM.



- 2) Provide a reason for the closure in the Reason for Closure comment box.
- 3) Provide the Date Closed.
- 4) Click on Submit.
- 5) If successful, you'll see the message "Submit Successful" at the top of the SCHOOL RESULTS FORM and the Status field will display the message "School Closed". Otherwise, make sure you've provided the mandatory information and click on Submit again.

Re-Open A School

Use this function to make an inactive school active again.

Access this function from: Administration, School Administration, Update School, School List

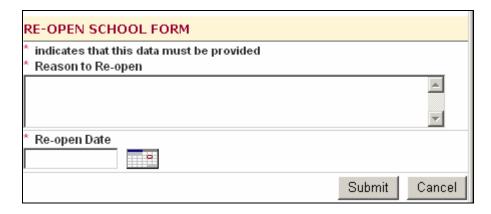
Mandatory Field Checklist (red asterisk)

Re-Open School Form		
Reason for Re-open		
Re-open Date		

- 1) If closed schools are not displayed, check Closed Schools and refresh the screen. A list of all closed school will be displayed.
- 2) Select the school you want to re-open. The **SCHOOL FORM** will open. Select Reopen School.



3) The **RE-OPEN SCHOOL FORM** pop-up will appear.

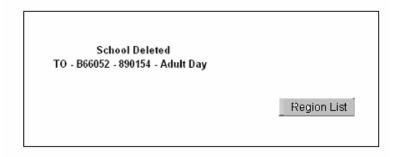


- 4) Provide a reason for re-opening the school.
- 5) Provide a Re-Open Date.
- 6) Click on Submit.
- 7) If successful, you'll see the message "Submit Successful" at the top of the School Results Form and the Status field will display the message "School Open". Otherwise, make sure you've provided the mandatory information and click on Submit again.

Delete A School Record

In cases where a school may have been created in error e.g., duplicate record:

- Use the **Delete School** button on the **SCHOOL FORM** to delete the record.
- 2) You will be prompted with a warning asking if you are sure.
- 3) Click OK.
- 4) You will receive the following message:



5) You can now return to the **Region List**.

Note: Once a school record has been deleted, you cannot view or re-open the record.

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The Queries, Reports and Extracts Menu



Queries, reports and extracts provide a versatile set of tools that allow users to create:

- Queries
- Reports
- Extracts

Queries provides users with quick and easy access to the information they want to view.

Reports provides the ability to generate a variety of pre-defined reports to support the administration of the various OnSIS functions.

Extracts* allows users to create and download information from the OnSIS application that can be used in databases or spreadsheets.

Who Can Access These Functions?

	Board	M	inistry
		Region Offices	Private Schools Unit
Region Inquiry	X	X	X
Board Inquiry	X	X	X
School Inquiry	Х	X	Х
Run Report	Х	X	Х
View Report	Х	Х	Х
Run Extract *			
View Extract *			

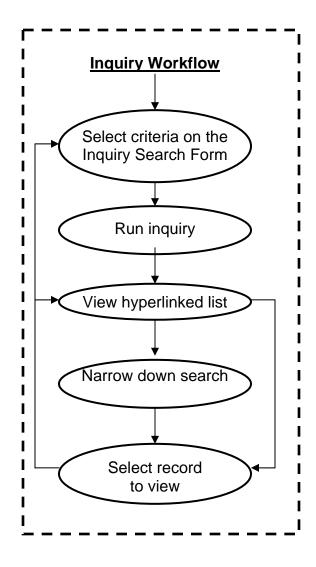


Queries

Access this function from: Queries, Reports & Extracts Menu

Queries is a versatile search tool that provides quick and easy access to the record(s) you want to view.

You can choose from up to twenty criteria to generate a hyperlinked list that will display all current data for the school, board or region that you select. You can also view the history for each of the record's different forms.



School Query

Access this function from: Queries, Reports & Extracts Menu, School Inquiry

The **SCHOOL INQUIRY SEARCH FORM** has over twenty criteria that can be combined to form your query. Choose from:

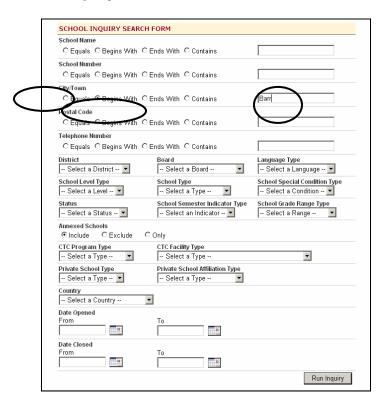
- 5 input text fields with radio buttons
- 15 drop-down list fields
- 4 date fields

Using The Input Text Fields To Make A Query:

- 1) Choose one or more text fields e.g., City/Town.
- Choose a radio button e.g., Begins with.
- 3) Enter information e.g., Barr.

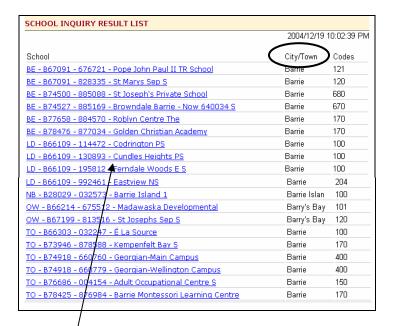
Note : Do not use * (asterisk) or ? (question mark) as wild cards.

4) Click on **Run Inquiry** at the bottom of the form.

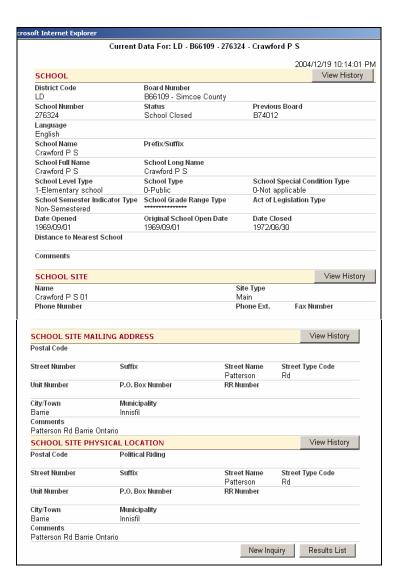


5) The search results will display on the **SCHOOL Inquiry Result List**. Note that all the schools in a city/town beginning with "Barr" are listed. The

SCHOOL INQUIRY SEARCH FORM is displayed beneath the **results** (not shown) so that the results can be narrowed down.



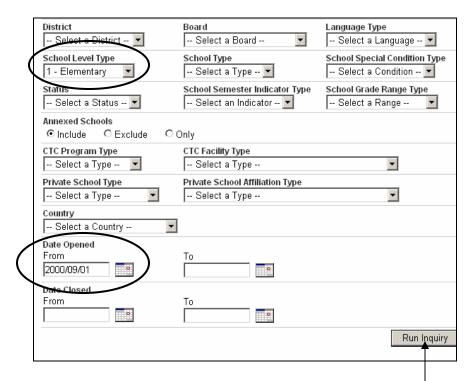
6) Click on the **blue hyperlink** to view the record for that school.



- 7) All current school, personnel and site information is displayed. You can also view the history for each part of the record.
- 8) At the bottom of the page you can select **Results List** or **New Inquiry**. **Results List** returns you to your original inquiry. You can select another school or narrow down the results by adding new search criteria. **New Inquiry** lets you start over again with a new inquiry.

Note: You can combine search criteria from any of the items on the **School Inquiry Search Form**. See next page for more criteria.

Using The Drop-Down List Fields To Make A Query:



- Select one or more criteria from the drop down lists, radio buttons or date fields as circled above, for example:
 - a. School level type = Elementary
 - b. Date Opened is after September 1, 2000.
- 2) Click on Run Inquiry.
- 3) View the SCHOOL Inquiry Results List. Note that all elementary schools created after the selected date are listed. The Search Form reappears beneath the SCHOOL INQUIRY RESULT LIST on the same page (not shown) to allow you to narrow your search or,



4) Click on the **blue hyperlink** to view the record for that school as shown in the previous example.

Board Query

Access this function from: Queries, Reports and Extracts Menu, Board Inquiry

The **BOARD INQUIRY SEARCH FORM** has over fifteen criteria to choose from:

- 6 input text fields with radio buttons
- 7 drop-down list fields
- 4 date fields

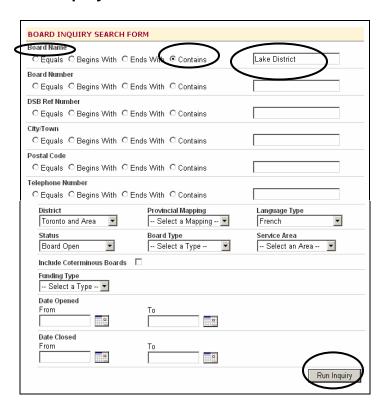
These criteria can be combined to form your query.

Using The Input Text Fields To Make A Query:

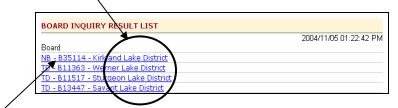
- 1) Choose a field e.g., Board Name.
- 2) Choose a radio button e.g., contains.
- 3) Enter information e.g., Lake Degion.

Note : Do not use * (asterisk) or ? (question mark) as wild cards.

4) Click on Run Inquiry.



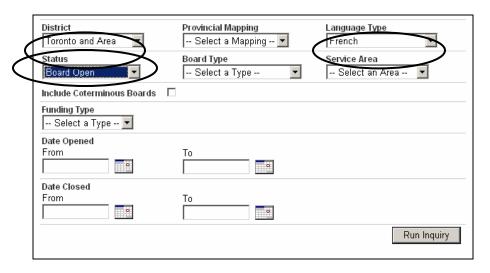
5) View the **BOARD INQUIRY RESULTS LIST.** Note that all the boards containing the words "*Lake District*" are listed. The **BOARD INQUIRY SEARCH FORM** reappears beneath the **BOARD INQUIRY RESULTS LIST** on the same page (not shown) to allow you to narrow your search.



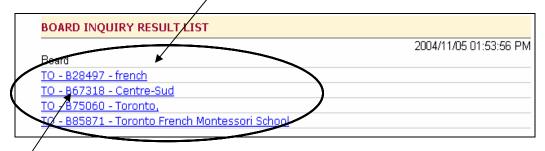
- 6) Click on the **blue hyperlink** to view the record for that board.
- 7) View the record. All current board, personnel and site information is displayed. You can also view the history for each item.
- 8) At the bottom of the page you can select **Results List** or **New Inquiry**. **Results List** returns you to your original inquiry. Select another board or narrow down the results by adding new search criteria. **New Inquiry** lets you start over again with a new inquiry.

Note: You can combine search criteria from any of the items on the **BOARD INQUIRY SEARCH FORM**. See next page for more criteria.

Using The Drop-Down List Fields To Make A Query:



- 1) Select one or more criteria from the drop down lists, radio buttons or date fields as circled above, for example:
 - a. Region = Toronto Area
 - b. Language type = French
 - c. Status = Board open
- 2) Click on Run Inquiry.
- 3) View the **BOARD INQUIRY RESULT LIST.** Note that all boards meeting the selected criteria are listed. The **BOARD INQUIRY SEARCH FORM** reappears beneath the **BOARD INQUIRY RESULT LIST.** on the same page (not shown) to allow you to narrow your search or,

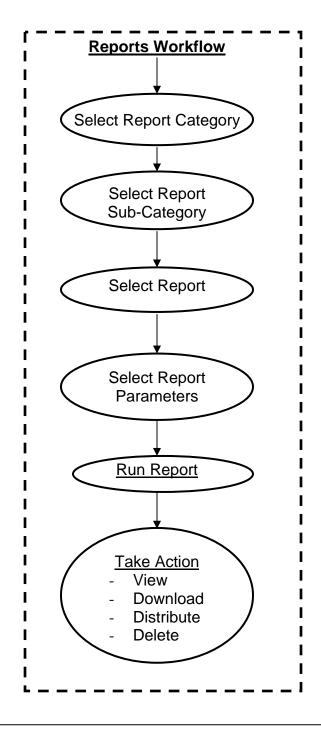


- 4) Click on the hyperlink to view the record for that board.
- 5) View the record. All current board, personnel and site information is displayed. You can also view the history for each part of the record.
- 6) At the bottom of the page you can select **Results List** or **New Inquiry**. **Results List** returns you to your original inquiry. Select another board or narrow down the results by adding new search criteria. **New Inquiry** lets you start over again with a new inquiry.

Reports

Access this function from: Queries, Reports & Extracts Menu, Run Reports

Reports is a function that allows school, board and Ministry personnel to generate and view a variety of pre-defined reports to assist in the administration of these organizational records. Reports can be viewed, saved, printed and shared.



Report Guidelines

- You can only access reports that are part of the role associated with your user id.
- 2) You can access a report in two ways:
 - Enter the report name or number from the category and subcategory lists.
 - b) Select the report from the report list.



- 3) Running a report without changing any parameters will display the report's default parameters.
- 4) The **Effective Date & Time** default is set to **Now.** The date and time can be changed.



- 5) For most reports, you can search current information or history.
- 6) Reports can be generated in the following formats:
 - Commas-separated values
 - Excel
 - HTML
 - PDF
 - Rich Text
 - Tab-delimited

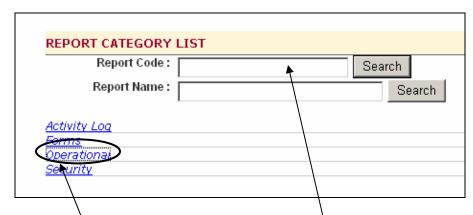
PDF is the default format. Tab-delimited files cannot be viewed online but must be saved to a local drive.

- 7) Reports may be run immediately or later.
- 8) All report forms include an estimated run time and number of days the report is kept on file.
- 9) Once a report is viewed, it is moved to the *Previously Viewed Reports* category.

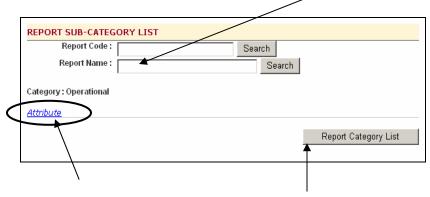
Run A Report

Access this function from: Queries, Reports & Extracts Menu, Run Reports

1) The REPORT CATEGORY LIST displays the available report categories.

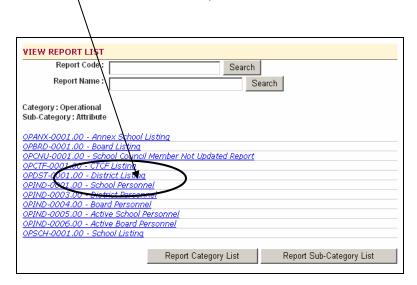


2) Select a category. You can also enter the **Report Code** or **Report Name** in the fields provided.

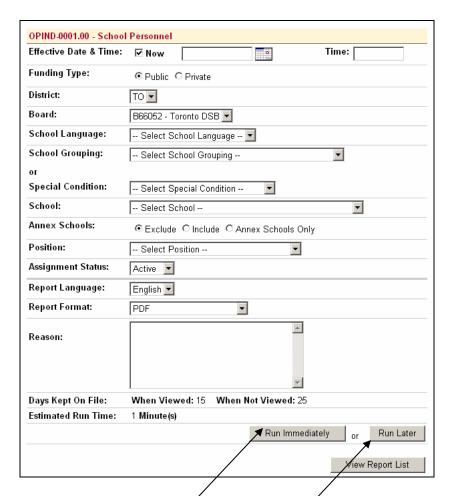


3) Select a sub-category or return to the REPORT CATEGORY LIST.

4) Select a report from the VIEW REPORT LIST. You can also return to the Report Category or Report Sub-Category List. In the example that follows, the School Personnel report will be run.



The report form opens. See next page.



- 5) If required, change the parameters to narrow down the search, for example:
 - a) Select a school from the drop-down list to see personnel from one school.
 - b) Select a position from the drop-down list to see only principals.
 - c) Change the Assignment Status from active, to inactive.
- 6) Select Run Immediately or Run Later.

Run Later will queue the report for overnight processing.

While processing, the report will be listed in the "*Reports Not Yet Generated*" category.

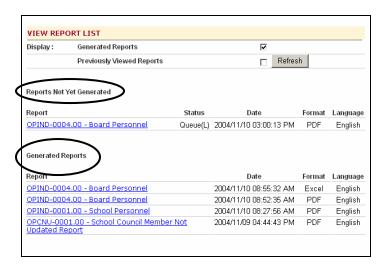
There are three categories of reports on the Report List:

- Reports Not Yet Generated
- Generated Reports
- Previously Viewed Reports

Note: There is sometimes a delay after running the report. **Do not click twice** as this will generate another report.

VIEW REPORT LIST

By default, only the "Reports Not Yet Generated" and "Generated Reports" categories are displayed.



To view the "Previously Viewed Reports" category, select the check box and click on Refresh.



Report Status

There are four status conditions on the report list in the "Reports Not Yet Generated" category.

a) Queue
b) Queue(L)
c) Cancelled
d) Processing

VIEW REPORT LIST

Display: Generated Reports

Previously Viewed Reports

Report

Status

Date

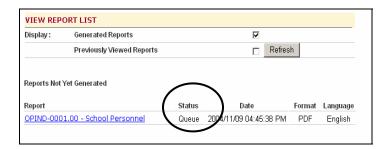
Format Language

OPIND-0001.00 - School Personnel

Queue 2004/11/09 04:45:38 PM PDF English

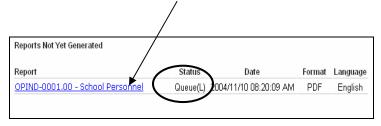
a) Queue

This report is waiting to be processed.



b) Queue(L) (for overnight processing)

In case you selected the wrong report or failed to change a parameter, you can cancel the report. Click on its hyperlink before it is generated.



The following screen will be displayed, and you can cancel processing and remove the report request from the queue. The **Report List** will automatically refresh.

Cancel can be used when you've submitted a report for overnight processing but decide you'd like to run it immediately. After cancelling, click on the hyperlink and then select **Run Immediately.**



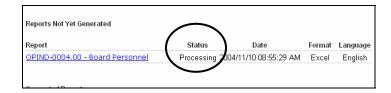
c) Cancelled

A cancelled report will stay in the "Reports Not Yet Generated" category until it is deleted or run again. When a report is deleted from the queue, the Report list will automatically refresh.



d) Processing

Report processing is in progress. Processing time varies according to the size of the report and other factors.

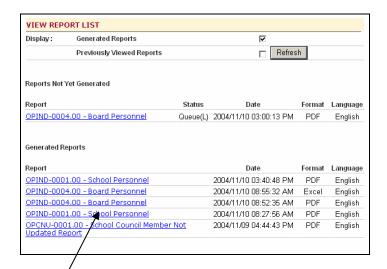


e) Notification that a report has been generated will be sent to the user via email.

Access the Report

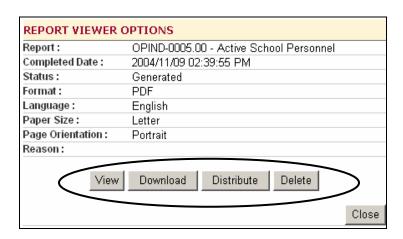
Access this function from: Queries, Reports & Extracts Menu, View Reports

Note: You will also see the **VIEW REPORT LIST** after you generate a report.



To view the report, click on its hyperlink. The **REPORT VIEWER OPTIONS** will display.

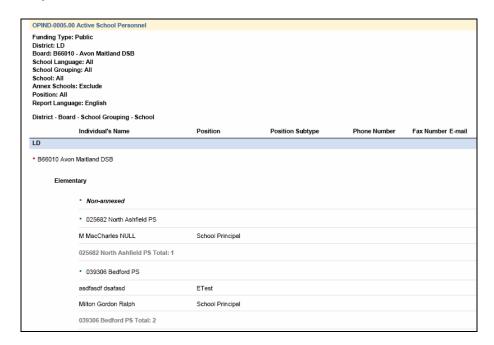
REPORT VIEWER OPTIONS



There are four actions you can take with the report:

- a) View
- b) Download
- c) Delete
- d) Distribute (Note: For EDU Information Management Group use only)

a) View Report



Note: You can only view PDF and HTML reports. Other formats must be downloaded. In this example, the report is displayed in PDF format. You will need to scroll to view all the details.

b) Download Report



- 1) Click on Save.
- 2) Select a location to store the file. You can open the file later in the saved format.

c) Delete Report

- 1) Click on **Delete** from the **REPORT VIEWER OPTIONS**.
- 2) The report will be removed from the list.

Appendix A – Technical Requirements

Users can access the Internet through various access methods such as public dial-up access or high-speed connections.

Users accessing the OnSIS application through the public Internet must meet the following requirements:

- Browser with Secure Socket Layer 2.0 using 128 bit encryption such as Internet Explorer 4.0 and above or Netscape 4.0 and above.
- User must be registered with the Ministry in order access the application. The Ministry will provide a process and forms for user registration.

Acrobat 6.0 reader for reading and printing PDF files (this plug-in can be downloaded for free from the Adobe web site (http://www.adobe.com/).

Minimum and Recommended Requirements

The following table depicts the minimum requirements as well as the recommended configuration to access the OnSIS web application for Internet Web Client.

	Minimum Requirements	Recommended
Browser	Internet Explorer Version 5.5 or	Internet Explorer Version 5.5 or
	Netscape Version 7.0 with 128-bit	Netscape Version 7.0 with 128-bit
	encryption.	encryption.
	JavaScript and Per-session	
	Cookies must be enabled to login.	
RAM	64 MB	128 MB
os	Windows 98	Windows 2000
CPU	Pentium 2	Pentium 3
Connectivity	A dependable connection to the	The faster the connection the
	Internet (56 k modem connection)	better, especially if large files will be
		transferred. We recommend having
		at least an ADSL connection.
Skills	Familiarity with browsers and web	
	forms.	
Monitor	Screen resolution setting of	Screen resolution setting of
	800x600 pixels.	1024x768 pixels.

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Appendix B – Valid Combinations When Requesting a New School

Public Region School Boards/Public School Authorities

For Elementary Schools:

School Level Type	School Type	Special Condition Type	
1 – Elementary	0 – Public	0 – Not applicable	
1 – Elementary	0 – Public	H – Junior High School	Note: For Toronto District School Board only

For Secondary Schools:

School Level Type	School Type	Special Condition Type	
2 - Secondary	0 – Public	0 – Not applicable	
2 - Secondary	0 – Public	5 – Adult	
2 - Secondary	0 – Public	A – Vocational/	
		Occupational	
2 - Secondary	0 – Public	C- Alternative	
2 – Secondary	0 – Public	H – Junior High School	Note: For Toronto District School Board
			only

For Continuing Education Schools:

School Level Type	School Type	Special Condition Type	
2 – Secondary	0 – Public	4 – Night	
2 - Secondary	0 – Public	8 – Summer	

For Care, Treatment and Correction Facilities:

School Level	School Type	Special Condition Type	
Туре			
1 – Elementary	0 – Public	T – Care and Treatment	
2 - Secondary	0 – Public	T – Care and Treatment	
3 – Elementary/	0 – Public	T – Care and Treatment	
Secondary			
1 – Elementary	0 – Public	J – Correctional	
2 – Secondary	0 – Public	J – Correctional	
3 – Elementary/	0 – Public	J – Correctional	
Secondary			

Catholic District School Boards/Separate School Authorities

For Elementary Schools:

School Level Type	School Type	Special Condition Type	
1 – Elementary	2 – Separate	0 – Not applicable	
1 – Elementary	3 – Protestant	0 – Not applicable	Note: For
	Separate		Penetanguishene
			PSSB only

For Secondary Schools:

School Level Type	School Type	Special Condition Type	
2 – Secondary	2 – Separate	0 – Not applicable	
2 - Secondary	2 – Separate	5 – Adult	
2 - Secondary	2 – Separate	C- Alternative	

For Continuing Education Schools:

School Level	School Type	Special Condition Type	
Type			
2 – Secondary	2 – Separate	4 – Night	
2 – Secondary	2 – Separate	8 – Summer	

For Care, Treatment and Correction Facilities:

School Level	School Type	Special Condition Type	
Туре			
1 – Elementary	2 – Separate	T – Care and Treatment	
2 – Secondary	2 – Separate	T – Care and Treatment	
3 – Elementary/	2 – Separate	T – Care and Treatment	
Secondary			
1 – Elementary	2 – Separate	J – Correctional	
2 - Secondary	2 – Separate	J – Correctional	
3 – Elementary/	2 – Separate	J – Correctional	
Secondary			

Inspected Private Schools/Inspected First Nations Schools

For Private Inspected Schools:

School Level Type	School Type	Special Condition Type	
2 – Secondary	8 – Inspected	0 – Not applicable	
3 – Elementary/	8 - Inspected	0 – Not applicable	
Secondary			

For Private Inspected Overseas Schools:

School Level Type	School Type	Special Condition Type	
2 - Secondary	8 – Inspected	V – Overseas	

For Private Inspected Schools – Other Programs:

School Level Type	School Type	Special Condition Type	
2 – Secondary	8 – Inspected	8 – Summer	
2 – Secondary	8 – Inspected	F – Full Year Program	
3 – Elementary/	8 – Inspected	8 – Summer	
Secondary			
3 – Elementary/	8 – Inspected	F – Full Year Program	
Secondary			

For First Nations Inspected Schools:

School Level Type	School Type	Special Condition Type	
2 – Secondary	8 – Inspected	6 – First Nations	
3 – Elementary/	8 – Inspected	6 – First Nations	
Secondary	·		

Non-inspected Private Schools

For Private Non-inspected Schools:

School Level Type	School Type	Special Condition Type	
1 – Elementary	7 – Non- inspected	0 – Not applicable	
2 - Secondary	7 – Non- inspected	0 – Not applicable	
3 – Elementary/ Secondary	7 – Non- inspected	0 – Not applicable	

Appendix C – Glossary of Terms

Board Main Site	The building where the main business functions of the board are carried out.
Board Site Physical Location	The address of the Board Main Site.
Extracts	The ability to extract data from the OnSIS application and use it into another application such as Excel.
Go Access	The Government of Ontario security system used to create and manage users of the OnSIS and OEN applications.
Hyperlink	A link from a file to another location or file; typically activated by clicking on a highlighted word or icon.
History Pages	History pages display a chronology of the changes made to a record.
Legacy System	Current system used by the Ministry of Education to collect and administer school data.
Metadata Repository	Refers to a type of database that holds information about the object definitions that you create. In the case of OnSIS, examples of objects include Entities, Entity Attributes, Programs, Reports, Extracts and Validation Rules.
Multi-Item List	This is an on-screen scrolling list from which you may choose one or more items.
Notice of Intention (NOI)	Refers to the form that must be completed as part of the process to operate a private school.
Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) Screen	The OnSIS screen where a registered user must agree to maintain the confidentiality of the information to which they have been given access.
Provincial Mapping	North/south line drawn by the Ministry of Education to distinguish northern and southern school boards and authorities.
Results Page	The OnSIS application displays a read-only "results page" whenever a process is successfully completed.

Radio Button	A small circle a user can click on to select options on a web- based form. Once you click on a radio button, a dark circle appears inside it, indicating that it has been selected. Radio buttons only allow a user to select a single item in a list.
School	A school is defined in the Education Act as follows: "the body of elementary school pupils or secondary school pupils that is organized as a unit for educational purposes under the jurisdiction of the appropriate board, or the body of pupils enrolled in any of the elementary or secondary school courses of study in an educational institution operated by the Government of Ontario, and includes the teachers and other staff members associated with the unit or institution and the lands and premises used in connection with the unit or institution".