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#### **Superior-Greenstone DSB Appoints David Tamblyn as Assistant to the Director of Education**

**MARATHON, Ontario** – The Superior-Greenstone District School Board is pleased to announce the appointment of David Tamblyn as Assistant to the Director of Education, effective October 26, 2009.

Mr. Tamblyn brings a wide range of experience to his new role with the senior administration team. With a career spanning twenty years with the Superior-Greenstone DSB, Mr. Tamblyn has for the last seven years been the Principal of Terrace Bay and Schreiber Public School. During this time he has also been involved in the training of aspiring leaders and the development and implementation of several Ministry of Education initiatives, the most recent being the chair of the board's Environmental Education Committee. Since 2005, Mr. Tamblyn has been President of Ontario Principals' Council (OPC) District 6B working with school leaders from across the province. He also served as a councilor on the OPC for four years.

Mr. Tamblyn holds a Bachelor of Education and Honours Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Lakehead University. He has specialist qualifications in Special Education, Computers in the Classroom and French as a Second Language. Presently, he is completing a Master of Education with Charles Sturt University, Wagga Wagga, Australia and will start the Supervisory Officers' Qualification Program in the spring.

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Mr Tamblyn is pleased with the board's endorsement of his leadership abilities and looks forward to his new role, saying, "Student achievement is our primary concern and I look forward to working with our dedicated staff to provide more opportunities for our students."

Reflecting on the Superior-Greenstone DSB school presence in the north shore and Greenstone communities, Mr. Tamblyn said, "We have reached a critical crossroad. The downturn in the forest industry, mill closures and out migration has had a profound impact not only on our communities but also on our schools. Now more than ever there is a sense of urgency to adapt to the changing needs of our students to ensure their continued success. Despite the challenges, I remain optimistic. Our future is bright because of the remarkable effort our staff put forth toward student achievement each and every day."

Director of Education Patti Pella said she is delighted to welcome Mr. Tamblyn to his role in senior administration saying, "As a school administrator, David has met a myriad of challenges with optimism in the communities of Terrace Bay and Schreiber. Now, the system as a whole can benefit from his exceptional interpersonal and communication skills, his enthusiasm as an educator and his passionate commitment to the teaching profession. He is an active team player who effectively collaborates with all levels of staff."

We extend our congratulations to David as he begins his new leadership role in senior administration for Superior-Greenstone District School Board.