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## News Release:

### **Ministry of Education Launches Substitute Teacher Management System (STMS)**

A Substitute Teacher Management System (STMS) was launched by the Ministry of Education at the Yara Auditorium, Arthur Lok Jack Graduate School of Business, on October 31, 2007.

The STMS was introduced to a team of School Principals by then Minister of Education, Senator The Hon. Mrs. Hazel Manning, following a demonstration by the project coordinator of the STMS, Mr. Jerome Lynch.

The Substitute Teacher Management System uses modern technology as a solution designed to alleviate challenges associated with attendance gaps created within the education system when substantive teachers are absent for a few days at a time on Ministry approved leave.

The STMS provides Principals with ready access to a pool of teacher-substitutes through the use of a recruitment database which resides on the World Wide Web. These teacher-substitutes have been sourced from the non-government sector of Trinidad and Tobago, as well as the Caribbean Region through the Caribbean Single Market and Economy (CSME).

Applicants are invited to register at the STMS website which is located at [www.moe.gov.tt/stms/index.php](http://www.moe.gov.tt/stms/index.php). There is neither a closing time nor deadline date for registration since the application form is Internet based. To date the STMS has amassed over four hundred interested applicants and this number continues to rise daily.

As a screening and precaution, only applicants who possess Police Certificates of Good Character are allowed to complete the STMS enrollment process.

Principal have been invited to use the STMS tool in the administration of their respective schools with immediate effect. For further information and registration please visit:

[www.moe.gov.tt/stms/index.php](http://www.moe.gov.tt/stms/index.php)

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