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EDUCATION CONFERENCE

The Ministry of Education wishes to invite all members of the media to attend the Ministry's Education Conference, titled, "Focus on The Schools" at the Hyatt Regency Trinidad on Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd January, 2009.

This conference will provide a forum to engage education stakeholders on cross-cutting issues centred on the Ministry's strategic priority of Focus on The Schools. It will provide greater understanding and ultimately support for the reform programmes being implemented in education. More specifically, it will ensure that stakeholders are apprised of the strategic policy direction of the Ministry of Education; kept abreast of current thinking, projects and initiatives in education in Trinidad and Tobago. The conference will share new and emerging concepts, tools and techniques to operate and succeed in the 21st Century classrooms as well as new and practical strategies for manages today's classrooms and everyday life.

The 2009 conference derives from the Ministry's Corporate plan 2007-2012 and its three strategic objectives: Focus on Schools, Change in the ministry, And Involve the community. This plan, developed in 2007 is in the second year of its rollout. First in a series of 3 conferences, Focus on the Schools is aligned to this plan and hopes to explore issues at the heart of the education

system of Trinidad and Tobago with a view to create clearer understanding and a forum for the exchange of ideas among those who have accepted a responsibility for education.

The Honourable Esther Le Gendre, Minister of Education will be opening the conference and one of the feature speakers is, Dr. Didacus Jules, Registrar, CXC and Mrs. Angella Jack, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education will deliver the closing remarks.

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