



## **OPSOA Announces New President: 2005–2006**

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Colin Vickers

At its annual conference in Toronto on April 15th, 2005, the members of the Ontario Public Supervisory Officials' Association (OPSOA) elected Colin Vickers, Director of Education with the Near North District School Board as President for 2005–2006. Mr. Vickers assumes his duties as President on June 1, 2005.



Mr. Vickers has been a supervisory officer and member of OPSOA since 1989. Prior to joining the Near North, Colin held a variety of supervisory roles in the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Public School Board and the Upper Canada District School Board. His portfolios have included schools, student services, program, special education, planning and operations. Before becoming a supervisory officer Colin held numerous positions in the Frontenac County Board of Education including teacher, coordinator and principal.

Mr. Vickers is a Rotary Foundation Scholar and he received the S. Hunter Henry Fellowship from the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation. His academic pursuits have led him to two graduate degrees with a focus on special education and adolescent learning. Both degrees were obtained while studying in Britain.

In addition, Mr. Vickers is acknowledged for his work in student leadership, anti-racism and ethno cultural education and process consultation.

Colin is a past president and a Bing Caswell award winner of the Ontario Physical and Health Education Association (Ophea.) As well, he was a member of the Governor General's Canadian Study Conference. Currently, he is a member of the Board of Governors for Canadore College.

Mr. Vickers has served on the OPSOA Board as a director for both the Eastern and Northern regions. He is a strong advocate for public education and the role the supervisory officials play in achieving student success across the province. Media Contact: Frank Kelly, Executive Director, OPSOA (905) 845-7003