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SPORT4ONTARIO – 2014 Election Questionnaire

Ontario NDP Response

Dear Ms. Emin,

Thank you for taking the time to contact us. The Ontario NDP has a plan to invest in the health and well-being of all Ontarians, including children and youth. Health and sport promotion must be a priority for the next government.

An Ontario NDP government will invest in student well-being by hiring up to 1,000 dedicated health and physical education teachers for our publicly-funded schools. Today, thousands of Ontario schools do not have a dedicated health and physical education teacher. Only the Ontario NDP has committed to fixing this problem.

We will also double funding for student nutrition programs compared to 2013, providing an additional 70,000 children from low-income households with access to nutritious breakfasts and lunches. This is a crucial step to give kids a healthy head start.

An Ontario NDP government will work with the non-profit sector to support the development of a provincial strategy, enhance the leadership skills of staff and volunteers, and support hosting additional community sporting events in communities across Ontario.

Thank you, so much for your advocacy on this issue.