



The Information and Privacy  
Commissioner/Ontario

## *Windsor and Area Educational Initiative*

### **Your Access and Privacy Rights**

**May 16-17, 2002**

#### **IPC's Educational Initiatives**

The office of the Ontario Information and Privacy Commissioner (IPC) was created to provide an independent review of the decisions and practices of provincial and municipal government organizations concerning access and privacy.

One of its key mandates is to help Ontarians understand their rights under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

As well as an extensive publishing program, an informative Web site, specialized teacher's kits for Grade 5 social studies teachers, Grade 10 civics teachers and Grade 11 and 12 law teachers across the province, the IPC has a variety of speaking programs.

Under its *Reaching Out to Ontario* program, the IPC sends a team of speakers to several different regions of Ontario each year. The 2002 *Windsor and Area Educational Initiative* is the 10<sup>th</sup> such program.

One of the focal points of this trip will be a **public information session** at the central branch of Windsor Public Library (850 Ouellette Ave.) at 7 p.m., Thursday, May 16. An IPC team will briefly outline Ontario's provincial and municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy legislation, explain the IPC's role as an oversight agency, and outline your right to access government information and your right to have your privacy protected.

**Thursday, May 16, 2002**

**10:30 a.m.**

Assistant Commissioner Tom Mitchinson, who is leading a five-person IPC team to Windsor for this initiative, is being interviewed by CHWI-TV.

**11:00 a.m.**

The Assistant Commissioner and the IPC's Communications Co-ordinator meet with the editorial board of the *Windsor Star*.

**1:00 p.m.**

A member of the IPC's Legal Services Department is making a presentation to staff members from Windsor-area legal clinics and representatives of other social agencies.

**2:00 p.m.**

Two members of the IPC's Tribunal Services Department are leading a seminar for Freedom of Information and Privacy co-ordinators from municipalities, police services, school boards and other government organizations in the Windsor area.

CBE-AM (CBC) Radio is taping an interview with the Assistant Commissioner to air later that day.

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CBET-TV (CBC) is taping an interview with the Assistant Commissioner to air later that day.

### 3:30 p.m.

A team led by the Assistant Commissioner is meeting with elementary school educational consultants for area school boards re: the teacher's guides the IPC has created for Grade 5 teachers.

### 4:00 p.m.

The IPC team led by the Assistant Commissioner is meeting with secondary school educational consultants for area school boards re: the teacher's guides the IPC has created for Grade 10 civics teacher's and Grade 11 and 12 law teachers.

### 7:00 p.m.

The IPC is holding a **public information meeting** at the central branch of the Windsor Library, 850 Ouellete Avenue. *Everyone is very welcome.*

## Friday, May 17, 2002

### 7:30 a.m.

The Assistant Commissioner is the guest speaker at a breakfast meeting of the Windsor and District Chamber of Commerce. (For more information, contact the Chamber at: 519-966-3696.)

### 10:00 a.m.

Two members of the IPC's Tribunal Services Department are making presentations to two Windsor Grade 5 classes.

## Reaching Out

Ontario Information and Privacy Commissioner Ann Cavoukian and her office rely on a variety of communication methods to help inform Ontarians of their access and privacy rights.

In addition to special programs such as *Reaching Out to Ontario*, IPC outreach initiatives include:

- A varied public speaking program;
- A media relations program;
- A publications program, including the annual report, a twice-yearly newsletter (*Perspectives*); policy papers, best practices papers (*IPC Practices*), and the *If you wanted to know...* general information series;
- An education program, including hands-on resources for teachers who deal with subjects related to access and/or privacy;
- An information-packed Web site: [www.ipc.on.ca](http://www.ipc.on.ca)

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