## Multicultural publishing

The Ministry of Education has issued a guide to authors and publishers to assist them to avoid incorporating bias or racism in material they prepare for use in Ontario's schools.

Education Minister Dr. Bette Stephenson said that it was issued in response to the concerns of a number of groups about the ways in which learning materials have portrayed images of race, religion and culture.

Titled Race, Religion and Culture in Ontario School Materials, the guide is intersed to provide a frame of reference for persons preparing learning materials. It has been designed to assist authors and publishers to improve the quality and broaden the perspective of learning materials by helping them to identify and avoid racial, religious and cultural bias and prejudice.

Dr. Stephenson said that issuing the guide indicates that the Ministry is fully aware of its responsibility to all Ontario students to ensure that the learning materials used in the province's schools reflect fairly the reality of Canada's multicultural society.













