

Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel and Expenses

(including expenses of participants and general expenses associated with travel)

Ministry	Education
Title of Travel	Council of Ministers of Education Canada (CMEC) and Advisory Committee of Deputy Ministers of Education (ACDME) Meetings
Location	King City, ON
Date(s)	June 11 – 13, 2024
Participants	Honourable Jeremy Cockrill, Minister of Education Mitch Graw, Chief of Staff to Minister Cockrill Clint Repski, Deputy Minister, Education
Purpose of Travel	To attend the CMEC and ACDME meetings
Total Travel Expenditures for Participants	
Air Travel (including airfare and airport service fees, baggage fees)	\$1,472.54
Ground Travel (including taxis, car rentals, trains and buses)	\$210.54
Accommodation (including room charges, and all related taxes and fees)	\$1,707.75
Meals (personal per diem meal claims)	\$306.00
Conference & Registration Fees	\$0.00
Miscellaneous (including incidentals, parking, temporary cell phone upgrades, fax and internet charges, passport and visa fees, medical and vaccination fees, and other sundry expenditures)	\$111.00
Subtotal	\$3,807.83
General Travel Expenditures	
Business Hosting Expenses (expenses for luncheon and/or dinner meetings hosted by the Government of Saskatchewan, including food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, equipment, and entertainment)	\$0.00
Miscellaneous (Including meeting rooms, translator and interpreter fees, police security, publications, shipping charges, gifts)	\$0.00
Subtotal	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$3,807.83

Overview of Travel and Objectives

CMEC represents the education interests of Canada's provinces and territories internationally. While all provinces and territories carry out education-related international activities individually, CMEC provides them with the means to speak, act, and intervene collectively on the world stage. Provincial and territorial ministers of education and postsecondary education met for the 112th Council of Ministers of Education, Canada (CMEC) meeting to discuss initiatives of common interest and challenges in education, including artificial intelligence (AI), Indigenous education, and skills that meet emerging labour-market dynamics.

Ministers and Deputy Ministers also attended a Summit on Artificial Intelligence in Elementary/Secondary Education. The dialogue focused on the actions taken in each province and territory to respond to the rapid rise of AI technologies and their implications for teaching and learning. Ministers discussed their respective challenges and opportunities for exchanging expertise in this area through CMEC, specifically to ensure that rapid advances in technology, such as AI, are harnessed to bring better learning outcomes for students.

Travel Activity

Minister Cockrill attended all discussion items on the agenda such as: Indigenous Education, skills development and alignment with the labour market, AI in education, elementary-secondary education, post-secondary education and approval of the CMEC communiqué.

Minister Cockrill also attended a lunch hosted by Dr. Patrick Rouble, President *Skills/Compétences Canada* where he engaged in informal discussions with other members.