

News Release

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Kemptville Task Force welcomes appointment of Hon. Lyle Vanclief

North Grenville, ON – The Kemptville College Renewal Task Force welcomes the announcement that the provincial facilitator, the Hon. Lyle Vanclief, has been appointed by the Hon. Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, to work toward a local solution for Kemptville Campus.

“We look forward to working with Mr. Vanclief and sharing with him our findings and recommendations for the future of the Kemptville campus,” said Marty Derks, Vice Chair of the Kemptville College Renewal Task Force. “Over the past 15 weeks, we have met with several groups that have an interest in developing future plans for the local agricultural institution.”

“There is a clear, demonstrated need for agri-food education in Eastern Ontario as our society places a greater emphasis on knowing what is in their food, where it comes from and how it is grown,” added Mr. Derks. “Our challenge will be to identify the appropriate role that a renewed Kemptville College can play in a sector that has many growth opportunities.”

The Kemptville College Renewal Task Force will present recommendations at a public Town Hall meeting on Wednesday, July 16th. Members of the community are invited to the Town Hall meeting, details:

When: Wednesday, July 16 at 7:00 pm

Where: WB George Centre, Kemptville Campus
48 Shearer Street, Kemptville

About the Task Force

The Kemptville College Renewal Task Force was established following the University of Guelph’s announcement to close the Kemptville Campus. Members of the Task Force include representatives from the Kemptville College Foundation, alumni, agricultural and landscape communities and municipal governments.

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