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Deputy PM Yoo Meets OECD Head of Education and Skills at Korea-OECD Seminar

- ☐ Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Education Yoo Eun-hae met Dr. Andreas Schleicher, Director for Education and Skill at the OECD, at Sejong Government Complex to discuss a range of educational issues on December 7, 2021.
- Their discussion included what impact the COVID-19 pandemic had on education around the world, and what policy efforts were made by the OECD member countries to return to normal as well as to step into the future of education in the post-pandemic era.
- ☐ The meeting was followed by a seminar jointly hosted by the Ministry of Education and the OECD on the theme of student agency and the future of education in Korea.
- In fact, since 2015, the Ministry of Education has been participating in the OECD Education 2030 project, with an aim to help students develop competencies required for future society by focusing on what should be taught to fully support students.

- One of the sections included in the project is the development of student agency, and to view this topic from an international perspective, the Presidential Council on Education, National Council of Governors of Education, Korean Educational Development Institute, and the Korean Institute of Curriculum and Evaluation have been jointly working on the publication of OECD Education 2030 Report on Korea since June 2019.
- This seminar was organized to exchange views on the future of education in Korea and to draw lessons in light of promoting student agency in preparation of the OECD Education 2030 Report on Korea.
- ☐ Deputy Prime Minister Yoo Eun-hae said in the opening remarks, "While we were preparing for the *OECD Education 2030 Report on Korea*, the COVID-19 pandemic broke out, which led us to a series of unprecedented events, including the acceleration of our transition to the future of education."
- She added, "Cooperation between the Korean Ministry of Education and the OECD has served as a guide in designing national policies to shape the future of education, including the 2022 Revised Curriculum. Today's seminar is especially relevant and meaningful as it is a chance to analyze the education system in Korea and to deliberate on future implications."

