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the charisms of faith, social justice, support and leadership,
nurtures an enriching Catholic learning community for all
to reach their full potential and become living witnesses of Christ.*

AGENDA AND MATERIAL

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2020
6:30 P.M.**

*FATHER KENNETH BURNS, C.S.C. BOARD ROOM
CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTRE, WELLAND, ONTARIO*



A. ROUTINE MATTERS

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| 1. Opening Prayer – Trustee Moody | - |
| 2. Roll Call | - |
| 3. Approval of the Agenda | - |
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| 5. Approval of Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 13, 2020 | A5 |
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| 6.2.1 Leadership Pathways Policy (203.4) | A6.2.1 |
| 6.2.2 Dress Code – Secondary Uniform – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.6) | A6.2.2 |
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| 6.2.4 Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Policy (800.7) | A6.2.4 |
| 6.3 2020-2021 Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grants | A6.3 |
| 6.4 Annual Reports for Catholic School Councils and the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee 2019-2020 | A6.4 |
| 6.5 Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities | A6.5 |
| 6.6 Capital Projects Progress Report Update | A6.6 |
| 6.7 In Camera Items F1 & F3 | - |

B. PRESENTATIONS

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

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| 1. COVID-19 Reopening Plan Update | - |
| 2. Committee of the Whole System Priorities 2020-2021 Update – Senior Administrative Council | C2 |
| 3. Planning Time – Kimberly Kinney | C3 |
| 4. Accountability Financial Report 2020-2021 as of October 31, 2020 – Giancarlo Vetrone | C4 |

- 5. Monthly Updates
- 5.1 Student Senate Update -
- 5.2 Senior Staff Good News Update -

D. INFORMATION

- 1. Trustee Information -

E. OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action -

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

G. REPORT ON THE IN CAMERA SESSION

H. ADJOURNMENT

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

PUBLIC SESSION

**TOPIC: MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING OF OCTOBER 13, 2020**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 13, 2020, as presented.



MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2020

Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 in the Father Kenneth Burns c.s.c. Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice-Chair Sicoli.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayer was led by Trustee Fera

2. Roll Call

Vice-Chair Sicoli noted that all Trustees and Student Trustees were in attendance.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder	✓			
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Frank Fera	✓			
Larry Huibers	✓			
Daniel Moody	✓			
Leanne Prince	✓			
Dino Sicoli	✓			
Paul Turner	✓			
Student Trustees				
Luca DiPietro	✓			
Sydney Yott	✓			

The following staff were in attendance:

Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education; **Ted Farrell**, **Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells**, **Kimberly Kinney**, **Gino Pizzoferrato**, **Pat Rocca**, Superintendents of Education; **Giancarlo Vetrone**, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; **Clark Euale**, Controller of Facilities Services; **Anna Pisano**, Recording Secretary/Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 13, 2020, as presented.

CARRIED

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No Declaration of Conflict of Interest was declared with any items on the Agenda.

5. Approval of Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 15, 2020

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 15, 2020, as presented.

CARRIED

6. Consent Agenda Items

Trustee Sicoli requested Item A6.4 be held. This item was moved to Committee and Staff Reports Section C9 of the agenda.

6.1 Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of September 29, 2020

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of September 29, 2020, as presented.

6.2 Approval of Policies

6.2.1 Equity and Inclusive Education Policy (100.10)

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Equity and Inclusive Education Policy (100.10), as presented.

6.2.2 Retirement and Service Recognition Celebration Policy (201.2)

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Retirement and Service Recognition Celebration Policy (201.2), as presented.

6.2.3 Volunteer Recognition Policy (800.4)

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Volunteer Recognition Policy (800.4), as presented.

6.3 Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities

Presented for information.

6.4 Capital Projects Progress Report Update

Moved to Section C9

6.5 In Camera Items F1 and F3

Moved by Trustee Prince

THAT the Committee of the Whole adopt consent agenda items.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. COVID-19 Reopening Plan Update

Director Cipriano provided an update on the COVID-19 Reopening Plan and presented the Niagara Catholic COVID-19 Administrator's Guide.

A consensus was reached that a letter addressed to the Government of Ontario with a copy to OCSTA be drafted addressing the issue of declining confidence in publicly funded Catholic education be brought to the Board.

Director Cipriano and members of Senior Administrative Council answered questions of Trustees.

2. Committee of the Whole System Priorities and Budget 2020-2021 Update

Director Cipriano and members of Senior Administrative Council presented Committee of the Whole System Priorities 2020-2021 Update.

3. A Curriculum for the Heart of Young People – A Monograph Series

Kimberly Kinney, Superintendent of Education presented the Curriculum for the Heart of Young People – A Monograph Series report for Trustee information.

4. Revised Secondary School Year Calendar 2020-2021

Ted Farrell, Superintendent of Education presented the Revised Secondary School Year Calendar 2020-2021.

Superintendent Farrell answered questions of Trustees.

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Revised Secondary School Year Calendar for the 2020-2021 school year.

CARRIED

5. Continuing Education Update

Superintendent Farrell provided background information on Continuing Education and introduced Robert Di Persio, Principal of Continuing Education.

Mr. Di Persio presented an update on Continuing Education.

Mr. Di Persio answered questions of Trustees.

6. Welcoming and Supporting International Students During COVID-19

Superintendent Farrell provided background information on International Students and introduced Fred Wilson, Administrator of International Education.

Mr. Wilson presented the Welcoming and Supporting International Students During COVID-19 report.

Mr. Wilson answered questions of Trustees.

Moved by Trustee Prince

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board maintain its long-standing commitment to its International Education Program by continuing to welcome and support our international students during the COVID-19 pandemic, in compliance with the guidelines outlined by the Ontario Ministry of Education and the Federal Government of Canada.

CARRIED

7. Accountability Financial Report 2020-2021 as of September 30, 2020

Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services presented the Accountability Financial Report 2020-2021.

Superintendent Vetrone answered questions of Trustees.

8. Monthly Updates

Trustee Moody left the meeting at this time.

8.1 Student Trustees' Update

Luca DiPietro and Sydney Yott, Student Trustees, presented a brief verbal update on the current activities of the Student Senate.

8.2 Senior Staff Good News Update

Senior Staff highlights included:

Director Cipriano

- Pleased to state the completion of a successful first octomester.
- Excited to announce that construction has begun at Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary School.
- Director Cipriano noted he has been able to visit a majority of the Niagara Catholic sites and departments and is pleased to report the high level of expertise in all sites and departments.

9. **Consent Agenda Item A6.4 Capital Projects Progress Report Update**

Controller Euale answered questions of Trustees.

D. INFORMATION

1. **Trustee Information**

Chair Fera shared a caption from the Young Authors Award booklet he received from the Catholic Teachers Association.

E. OTHER BUSINESS

1. **General Discussion to Plan for Future Action**

Director Cipriano discussed the possibility of holding partial virtual meetings in the future.

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole move into the In Camera Session.

CARRIED

The Committee of the Whole moved into the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 8:27 p.m. and reconvened at 8:54 p.m.

G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 13, 2020.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES INCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Prince

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - In Camera Session (Section A: Student Trustees Included) held on September 15, 2020, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Prince

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - In Camera Session (Section B: Student Trustees Excluded) held on September 15, 2020, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F3)

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Prince

THAT the October 13, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **October 13, 2020.**

Approved on **November 10, 2020.**

Dino Sicoli
Vice-Chair of the Board

Camillo Cipriano
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

PUBLIC SESSION

**TOPIC: UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE
MEETING OF OCTOBER 27, 2020**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of October 27, 2020, as presented.



MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2020

Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. in the Holy Cross Community Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 4:44 p.m. by Policy Committee Chair Huibers.

1. Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Trustee Burkholder

2. Attendance

Committee Members	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Larry Huibers (Committee Chair)	✓			
Rhianon Burkholder	✓			
Dino Sicoli	✓			

Student Trustees:

Luca DiPietro

Sydney Yott

Staff:

Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education

Pat Rocca, Superintendent of Education

Gino Pizzoferrato, Superintendent of Education

Anna Pisano, Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications Department
/Recording Secretary

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the October 27, 2020 Policy Committee Agenda be approved, as presented.

APPROVED

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No Disclosures of Interest were declared with any items on the agenda.

5. Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of September 29, 2020

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Policy Committee approve the minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of September 29, 2020, as presented.

APPROVED

6. Governance Policies

ACTION REQUIRED

GOVERNANCE POLICIES - FOR RECOMMENDATION TO NOVEMBER 10, 2020 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

6.1 Leadership Pathways Policy (203.4)

Pat Rocca, Superintendent of Education/Human Resources presented feedback received from the vetting process and highlighted recommended amendments to the Leadership Pathways Policy (203.4), following the vetting process.

Following discussion, the Policy Committee recommended the following additional amendments:

- No amendment

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the November 10, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting to approve the revisions to the Leadership Pathways Policy (203.4), as presented.

APPROVED

6.2 Dress Code – Secondary Uniform – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.6)

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education presented feedback received from the vetting process and highlighted recommended amendments to the Dress Code – Secondary Uniform – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.6), following the vetting process.

Following discussion, the Policy Committee recommended the following additional amendments:

- No amendment

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the November 10, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting to approve the revisions to the Dress Code – Secondary Uniform – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.6), as presented.

APPROVED

6.3 Elementary Standardized Dress – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.10)

Superintendent Forsyth-Sells presented feedback received from the vetting process and highlighted recommended amendments to the Elementary Standardized Dress – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.10), following the vetting process.

Following discussion, the Policy Committee recommended the following additional amendments:

- No amendment

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the November 10, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting to approve the revisions to the Elementary Standardized Dress – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.10), as presented.

APPROVED

6.4 Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Policy (800.7)

Superintendent Forsyth-Sells presented feedback received from the vetting process and highlighted recommended amendments to the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Policy (800.7), following the vetting process.

Following discussion, the Policy Committee recommended the following additional amendments:

- No amendment

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the November 10, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting to approve the revisions to the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Policy (800.7), as presented.

APPROVED

GOVERNANCE POLICIES - PRIOR TO VETTING

Nil

INFORMATION

Policy Committee discussed the procedure of collecting input for Administrative Operational Procedures. Director Cipriano noted he will discuss with Senior Administrative Council.

6.5 Governance Policies Currently Being Vetted

Nil

6.6 Governance Policy Review 2020-2021 Schedule

Director Cipriano presented the Governance Policy Review 2020-2021 Schedule.

Following discussions, the Policy Committee agreed to move the Pupil Accommodation Review Policy to the April 2021 Policy Committee meeting, the Accessibility Customer Service and Complaint Resolution Policies to the January 2021 Policy Committee meeting and cancelling the November 24, 2020 Policy Committee meeting.

7. Date of Next Meeting

January 28, 2021

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

A6.2.1

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

PUBLIC SESSION

**TOPIC: APPROVAL OF POLICIES
LEADERSHIP PATHWAYS POLICY (203.4)**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Leadership Pathways Policy (203.4), as presented.

Prepared by: Pat Rocca, Superintendent of Education/Human Resources
Presented by: Policy Committee
Recommended by: Policy Committee
Date: November 10, 2020



Niagara Catholic District School Board
LEADERSHIP PATHWAYS POLICY
STATEMENT OF GOVERNANCE POLICY

200 – Human Resources

Policy No 203.4

Adopted Date: June 18, 2013

Latest Reviewed/Revised Date: NIL

In keeping with the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara District School Board, professional development programs will continue to be developed and made available to all Niagara Catholic staff who aspire to leadership positions at the school and system levels within the Board.

~~While specific qualifications are required by the Education Act, Niagara Catholic requires~~ **Participation in the Leadership Pathway will afford** staff aspiring to leadership positions, ~~to have additional qualifications with leadership opportunities that focus on faith, Catholicity,~~ **professional growth in order to further develop and enhance their current skill set and enhanced** experiences. ~~These is additional qualifications~~ **professional development opportunity are is** critical to **developing future leaders at both the school and system levels,** fulfilling the mandate of the Board, to ensuring the continued strength and growth of its Catholic identity, and to nurturing the faith development of its students and staff.

Niagara Catholic's Leadership Programs provide leadership tools that allow participants to build on and enhance their current skills. **Participants will acquire new the servant leadership skills necessary to meet the needs of the system,** as well as focus on the gift of Catholic education while deepening their own **faith leadership journeys skills.**

It is expected that staff who participate in Niagara Catholic Leadership Programs will, on completion, have the tools to be dynamic, passionate and skilled leaders who ~~as Catholic leaders~~ will focus their vocation and service on the success of all students and staff.

The Director of Education has established a Leadership Succession Program Guide that will serve to support the implementation of this Policy.

References

- [**Education Act R.S.O. 1990, Chapter E.2**](#)
- [**Institute for Education Leadership \(IEL\)**](#)
- [**Ontario Catholic Leadership Framework**](#)
- [**Niagara Catholic District School Board Policies/Procedures/Documents**](#)
 - [**Niagara Catholic District School Board Mission, Beliefs and Values**](#)
 - [**Employee Hiring and Selection \(Teachers\) \(203.1\) Administrative Operational Procedures**](#)
 - [**Catholic Leadership: Principal and Vice-Principal Selection \(202.2\) Administrative Operational Procedures**](#)

Adopted Date: June 18, 2013

Revision History: Nil

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

PUBLIC SESSION

**TOPIC: APPROVAL OF POLICIES
DRESS CODE – SECONDARY UNIFORM – SAFE SCHOOLS
POLICY (302.6.6)**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Dress Code – Secondary Uniform – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.6), as presented.

Prepared by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education
Presented by: Policy Committee
Recommended by: Policy Committee
Date: November 10, 2020



Niagara Catholic District School Board

DRESS CODE – SECONDARY UNIFORM POLICY (Safe Schools)

STATEMENT OF GOVERNANCE POLICY

300 – Schools/Students

Policy No 302.6.6

Adopted Date: June 26, 2001

Latest Reviewed/Revised Date: February 23, 2016

In keeping with the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara Catholic District School Board and in accordance with the dress code requirements of the *Safe Schools Act*, all secondary schools within the Niagara Catholic District School Board will implement a secondary uniform **that creates a unified sense of belonging for all students from Grades 9 to 12.** ~~that recognizes the uniqueness and gifts of all students.~~

This Policy acknowledges a respect for self and others by supporting each student to actively and equitably participate fully in the Catholic learning environment through the creation of safe, inclusive and accepting school climates. ~~in alignment with the design and expectations Niagara Catholic Vision 2020 Strategic Plan.~~

The secondary uniform **promotes Catholic school identity, instills pride and spirit** ~~creates a unified sense of belonging for all students from Grades 9 to 12~~ and supports the commitment of our students to be visible **Catholic** role models of the teachings of the Gospel **Values and the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations in our Catholic school communities.** ~~and the Roman Catholic Church within all our schools, communities and society.~~

~~It promotes Catholic school identity, instills pride and spirit by identifying with a particular school community. The secondary uniform is inclusionary by equalizing any peer pressure and is intended to be economical for all families.~~

All Niagara Catholic secondary school uniforms as defined in the Administrative **Operational** Procedures must be purchased through Board uniform suppliers in compliance with the Niagara Catholic Purchasing and Supply Chain Management Policy.

This Policy has been developed in compliance with the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*, the *Ontario Human Rights Code* and the *Education Statutes and Regulations of Ontario*. For the purpose of this Policy, the term secondary school uniform aligns with the *Education Statutes and Regulations of Ontario* term dress code.

~~The Director of Education will issue~~ **Please refer to the [Administrative Operational Procedures](#)** for the implementation of this policy.

References

- [Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms](#)
- [Education Statutes and Regulations of Ontario - Regulation 298 S.23 \(1\) \(f\)](#)
- [Ontario Human Rights Code](#)
- [Safe Schools Act, 2007. Education Act S. 301 \(1\) \(3\), 302 \(3\) \(5\)](#)
- [Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations](#)
- **Niagara Catholic District School Board Policies/Procedures**
 - [Elementary Standardized Dress Code Policy \(302.6.10\)](#)

- [*Purchasing / Supply Chain Management Policy \(600.1\)*](#)
- [*Religious Accommodation Policy \(100.10.1\)*](#)
- [*Fundraising \(301.4\) AOP*](#)

Adopted Date:	June 26, 2001
Revision History:	May 28, 2002 June 12, 2012 February 23, 2016

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

PUBLIC SESSION

**TOPIC: APPROVAL OF POLICIES
ELEMENTARY STANDARDIZED DRESS – SAFE SCHOOLS
POLICY (302.6.10)**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Elementary Standardized Dress – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.10), as presented.

Prepared by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education
Presented by: Policy Committee
Recommended by: Policy Committee
Date: November 10, 2020



Niagara Catholic District School Board

ELEMENTARY STANDARDIZED DRESS CODE POLICY (Safe Schools)

STATEMENT OF GOVERNANCE POLICY

300 – Schools/Students

Policy No 302.6.10

Adopted Date: November 27, 2012

Latest Reviewed/Revised Date: February 23, 2016

In keeping with the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara Catholic District School Board and in accordance with the dress code requirements of the *Safe Schools Act*, all elementary schools within the Niagara Catholic District School Board will implement an elementary standardized dress code that **creates a unified sense of belonging for all students from Kindergarten to Grade 8.** ~~recognizes the uniqueness and gifts of all students.~~

This Policy acknowledges a respect for self and others by supporting each student to actively and equitably participate fully in the Catholic learning environment through the creation of safe, inclusive and accepting school climates. ~~in alignment with the design and expectations of the Niagara Catholic Vision 2020 Strategic Plan.~~

The elementary standardized dress code **promotes Catholic** ~~creates a unified sense of belonging for all students from Early Learning Kindergarten to Grade 8, building community and promoting an environment of belonging,~~ school identity, **instills** pride and spirit, ~~by identifying with a Catholic elementary school community.~~ **and supports the commitment of students to be visible Catholic role models of the Gospel Values and the Ontario Catholic School Graduation Expectations in our Catholic school communities.**

The elementary standardized dress code strives to equalize peer pressure through proper and respectful dress which is intended to be economical for all families. All Niagara Catholic elementary standardized dress code items as defined in the Administrative **Operational** Procedures can be purchased either through Board suppliers or through parent/guardian selected retail stores who supply the acceptable elementary standardized dress code clothing items.

This Policy has been developed in compliance with the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*, the *Ontario Human Rights Code* and the *Education Statutes and Regulations of Ontario* and for the purpose of this Policy, the term standardized elementary dress code aligns with the *Education Statutes and Regulations of Ontario* term dress code.

~~The Director of Education will issue~~ **Please refer to the [Administrative Operational Procedures](#)** for the implementation of this policy.

References:

- [**Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms**](#)
- [**Education Statutes and Regulations of Ontario - Regulation 298 S.23 \(1\) \(f\)**](#)
- [**Ontario Human Rights Code**](#)
- [**Safe Schools Act, 2007. Education Act S. 301 \(1\) \(3\), 302 \(3\) \(5\)**](#)
- [**Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations**](#)
- [**Niagara Catholic District School Board Policies/Procedures**](#)
 - [**Dress Code-Secondary Uniform Policy \(302.6.6\)**](#)
 - [**Purchasing / Supply Chain Management Policy \(600.1\)**](#)
 - [**Religious Accommodation Policy \(100.10.1\)**](#)
 - [**Fundraising \(301.4\) AOP**](#)

Adopted Date:	November 27, 2012
Revision History:	February 23, 2016

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

PUBLIC SESSION

**TOPIC: APPROVAL OF POLICIES
NIAGARA CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE
POLICY (800.7)**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Policy (800.7), as presented.

Prepared by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education
Presented by: Policy Committee
Recommended by: Policy Committee
Date: November 10, 2020



Niagara Catholic District School Board

NIAGARA CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE POLICY

STATEMENT OF GOVERNANCE POLICY

800 – Schools and Community Councils

Policy No. 800.7

Adopted Date: May 24, 2011

Latest Reviewed/Revised Date: June 21, 2016

In keeping with the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, the Board recognizes the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC), as a regional body of representative stakeholders, that supports ~~the Mission of Catholic education and the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara Catholic District School Board,~~ by providing a communication link to parents/guardians, Catholic School Councils, the Diocese, the Director of Education, and the Board.

The Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee, ~~supported by the Niagara Catholic District School Board,~~ promotes, encourages, and supports parent engagement at the Board and school levels, building strong Catholic identity and community, nurturing the distinctiveness of Catholic education, and advancing active parent/guardian engagement with all parents/guardians in all schools for the improvement of student achievement and the well-being of all students in the Niagara Catholic District School Board.

~~The Director of Education will issue~~ Please refer to the [Administrative Operational Procedures](#) for the implementation of this Policy.

References:

- [Ontario Regulation 330/10 School Councils and Parent Involvement Committees](#)
- [Parents in Partnership...A Parent Engagement Policy for Ontario Schools](#)
- [Education Act-Section 1](#)
- [OAPCE By-Law and Constitution](#)
- [Niagara Catholic District School Board Policies/Procedures](#)
 - [Board By-Laws Policy \(100.1\)](#)
 - [Catholic School Councils \(800.1\) AOP](#)
 - [Complaint Resolution Policy \(800.3\)](#)
 - [Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee By-Laws](#)
 - [Trustee Expenses and Reimbursement Policy \(100.13\)](#)

Adopted Date: May 24, 2011

Revision History:
October 25, 2011
February 28, 2012
June 18, 2013
June 21, 2016

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

PUBLIC SESSION

TITLE: 2020-2021 PARENTS REACHING OUT (PRO) GRANTS

The report on 2020-2021 Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grants is presented for information.

Prepared by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education

Presented by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education

Approved by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer

Date: November 10, 2020



REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE NOVEMBER 10, 2020

2020-2021 PARENTS REACHING OUT (PRO) GRANTS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Ministry of Education continues to support parental involvement in Ontario schools by funding Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grants. The Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grants program provides funding to district school boards and school authorities to lead projects with a focus on the identification and removal of barriers that prevent parents and families from participating and engaging fully in their children's learning.

Changes to the program occurred for the 2019-2020 school year from an application-based funding model to allocation-based grant. School boards received a predetermined funding amount for parent engagement projects.

Projects for the 2020-2021 school year are to demonstrate a commitment to respecting the role of parents in students' educational experiences by working with parents or seeking parent input on how schools can:

- provide a safe and welcoming school environment;
- maintain open communication with teachers;
- respect parents as valued partners within the education system in relation to decisions about their child's education; and
- inform parents about the expectations of the Ontario Curriculum.

For the 2020-2021 school year, the Niagara Catholic District School Board received \$13,792.34 to support parent engagement projects.

The report on 2020-2021 Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grants is presented for information.

Prepared by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education

Presented by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education

Approved by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer

Date: November 10, 2020

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

PUBLIC SESSION

**TITLE: ANNUAL REPORTS FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS
AND THE NIAGARA CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT
COMMITTEE 2019-2020**

The Annual Reports for Catholic School Councils and the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee 2019-2020 are presented for information.

Prepared by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education

Presented by: Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education

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Date: November 10, 2020



**REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

**ANNUAL REPORTS FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS AND THE
NIAGARA CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE
2019-2020**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Every school council shall annually submit a written report on its activities to the Principal of the school and to the Board that established the Council (O. Reg. 612/00, s. 24 (1)). If the school council engages in fundraising activities, the annual report shall include a report of those activities. (O. Reg. 612/00, s. 24 (2)).

Every parent involvement committee of the Board shall annually submit a written summary of the committee's activities to the Chair of the Board and to the Board's Director of Education. (O. Reg. 612/00, s. 50 (1)). The summary of activities shall include a report on how funding, if any, provided under the *Education Act* for parent involvement was spent (O. Reg. 612/00, s. 50 (2)).

Catholic School Councils in the Niagara Catholic District School Board and the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee have submitted a report that includes meeting dates, activities, and a financial statement for the 2019-2020 school year.

The Annual Reports for Catholic School Councils and the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee 2019-2020 have been included in this report. See Appendix A.

The Annual Reports for Catholic School Councils and the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee 2019-2020 are presented for information.

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CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS

AND THE

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PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE

2019-2020

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Elementary Catholic School Council Annual Reports 2019-2020

Alexander Kuska Catholic Elementary School
Assumption Catholic Elementary School
Canadian Martyrs Catholic Elementary School
Cardinal Newman Catholic Elementary School
Father Hennepin Catholic Elementary School
Holy Name Catholic Elementary School
Loretto Catholic Elementary School
Mary Ward Catholic Elementary School
Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary School
Mother Teresa Catholic Elementary School
Notre Dame Catholic Elementary School
Our Lady of Fatima CES-Grimsby
Our Lady of Fatima CES-SC
Our Lady of Mount Carmel CES
Our Lady of Victory CES
Sacred Heart Catholic Elementary School
St. Alexander Catholic Elementary School
St. Alfred Catholic Elementary School
St. Andrew Catholic Elementary School
St. Ann Catholic Elementary School-Fenwick
St. Ann Catholic Elementary School-SC
St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School
St. Augustine Catholic Elementary School
St. Charles Catholic Elementary School
St. Christopher Catholic Elementary School

St. Denis Catholic Elementary School
St. Edward Catholic Elementary School
St. Elizabeth Catholic Elementary School
St. Gabriel Lalemant Catholic Elementary School
St. George Catholic Elementary School
St. James Catholic Elementary School
St. John Bosco Catholic Elementary School
St. John Catholic Elementary School
St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School-Grimsby
St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School-Snyder
St. Kevin Catholic Elementary School
St. Mark Catholic Elementary School
St. Martin Catholic Elementary School
St. Mary Catholic Elementary School-NF
St. Mary Catholic Elementary School-W
St. Michael Catholic Elementary School
St. Nicholas Catholic Elementary School
St. Patrick Catholic Elementary School-NF
St. Patrick Catholic Elementary School-PC
St. Peter Catholic Elementary School
St. Philomena Catholic Elementary School
St. Theresa Catholic Elementary School
St. Therese Catholic Elementary School
St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Elementary School





Alexander Kuska K.S.G. Catholic School

333 Rice Road, Welland, ON L3C 2V9
 Telephone: (905) 735-4471



2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair(s)	C. Vernelli, Chair B. Taylor, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	C. Arghittu, Principal D. Smolders, Vice-Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 21, 2019	February 25, 2020	
October 29, 2019	April 28, 2020	
November 20, 2019		

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at School Open Houses
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Parent Engagement
Community Out Reach

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Card Fundraiser	Purchase uniforms and technology for students	17499.60	11507.00	5992.60



Assumption Catholic Elementary School

225 Parnell Road, St. Catharines, L2M 1W3
 Phone: 905-935-5281, Fax: 905-935-702



Principal: Ms. W. Brant

Secretary: Mrs. L. Biaocco

2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair(s)	Alicia Venneri, Co-Chair Amanda Goulet, Co-Chair	
Principal/Vice-Principal	Wendy Brant, Principal	
Meeting Dates		
September 24, 2019	May 7, 2020	
October 29, 2019	June 18, 2020	
February 25, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities		
Collaborate on fundraising activities		
Collaborate on hot lunch ideas		
Policy review		
Representation at School Open Houses		
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being		
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation		
Support school activities and events throughout the year		
Support Parent Engagement and Community Out Reach		

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Hot lunches, pizza, milk, tuck shop	Nutrition program, classroom supplies for special activities	7000.00	5995.00	1100.00
Fresh From the Farm	Agendas	915.00	85.00	830.00
Christmas Gift Shop	Technology – chrome books, projector Bus transportation Taxi transportation Gr. 8 graduation Gymnasium school mascot painting Robotics equipment	4200.00	200.00	4000.00



Canadian Martyrs Catholic Elementary School

2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Kate Hingston, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Alan Creelman, Principal David Forte, Vice-Principal

Meeting Dates		
October 1, 2019		
November 25, 2019		
February 10, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at School Open Houses
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Parent Engagement
Community Out Reach

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
CM Lottery	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning. Maintain & improve outdoor chapel.	5873.00	2580.93	3292.07
Advent Mass & Social / Bake Sale	To worship together as a school community.	573.10	408.88	164.22



Cardinal Newman Catholic Elementary School

8120 Beaverdams Road ♦ Niagara Falls ♦ ON ♦ L2H 1R8

Telephone: (905) 354-9033

E-Mail: cardinal.newman@ncdsb.com

Board Website: www.niagaracatholic.ca

Principal: Mr. Blaine MacDougall

Vice-Principal: Mrs. Julie Mangiacasale



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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair(s)	Mrs. Petrella, Co-Chair Mrs. Stapleton, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Blaine MacDougall, Principal Julie Mangiacasale, Vice-Principal

Meeting Dates

September 17, 2019	February 5, 2020	
October 8, 2019	March 10, 2020	
November 26, 2019		
January 14, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Support Student Achievement and Well-Being volunteer in classrooms, reading with students, variety of food day, breakfast club
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year-drive students to various activities
Support Parent Engagement-representative at Board events and activities

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Trivia Night	Purchase technology to support student learning	5535.00	2538.17	2996.83
Milk	Purchase technology to support student learning	12392.25	7705.30	4686.95
Hot Lunch (Subs/Pasta)	Purchase technology to support student learning	7330.50	5767.52	1562.98
Pizza	Purchase technology to support student learning	9044.60	9310.02	0



Father Hennepin Catholic Elementary School



Principal: Mrs. A Cybula
 Acting Principal: Mr. P Sirianni
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 Niagara Falls ON, L2G 2X1

email: fr.hennepin@ncdsb.com
 T: 905-354-4469
 website: www.niagaracatholic.ca

Home of the HUSKIES! ... A Catholic School with a vision of seeing above and beyond.

2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report				
Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair		Janet Zylstra, Chair		
Principal/Vice-Principal		Amanda Cybula, Principal Paolo Sirianni (Acting Principal)		
Meeting Dates				
September 23, 2019	February 25, 2020			
October 23, 2019	June 9, 2020-Electronic Meeting			
November 26, 2019				
January 22, 2020				
Catholic School Council Activities				
Assist with prizes for School Fundraising				
Representation at School Open Houses				
Support Parent Engagement				
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation				
Support school activities and events throughout the year				
Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Fresh Farm Fundraiser	Technology	1998.00	1198.80	799.20
Ricco Catalogue Orders	Technology	2272.00	1295.04	976.96

Holy Name Catholic Elementary School

290 Fitch Street, Welland, ON L3C 4W5 Phone: 905-732-4992

Principal: T. Antoniou / Vice-Principal: M. Romano



NIAGARA CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report				
Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Cathy Lamothe, Co-Chair Karen Gaetano, Co-Chair			
Principal/Vice-Principal	Terry Antoniou, Principal Maria Romano, Vice-Principal			
Meeting Dates				
September 17, 2019	November 26, 2019			
October 29, 2019	January 28, 2020			
Catholic School Council Activities				
Representation at School Open Houses –School Curriculum Evening, all registration activities, lunches, trips, etc.				
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being – volunteer readers, student spirit t-shirts, academic supports in class				
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation breakfast, Gr. 8 Mass				
Support school activities and events throughout the year –dance a thon, presentations, school calendar				
Support Parent Engagement – Christmas family painting evening, ice dog game-family, church				
Community Out Reach – Eco, Woman’s Place, Hope Centre, nutrition grocery cards-nutrition program, church				
Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Spirit Wear For Profit	Assistive Technology and repairs (15 Chromebooks)	8,039.80	7,545.00	865.00
Pancake Lunch P.J. Day	Literacy/Numeracy Resources for Junior/Intermediate Divisions, utility balls, assistive technology	1,200.00	183.00	1,017.00
Book Fair	Library books and resources	6,280.15	3,612.54	2,667.61
Lunches (to Dec. 2019)	2 pancake days, pasta school lunch, pizza lunches/subs Graduation and Chromebooks	5,416.00	2,99.74	2,416.26
Calendar Raffle	Assistive technology	6849.00	4535.96	1613.04

Loretto Catholic Elementary School

6855 Kalar Road, Niagara Falls, Ontario, L2H 2T3 Tel: (905) 356-4175
 Principal: A. Cardamone Vice-Principal: M. Ruggi Dietsch



2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Gabriella Griffiths, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Anthony Cardamone, Principal Maria Ruggi Dietsch, Vice-Principal

Meeting Dates

September 24, 2019		
November 5, 2019		
February 3, 2020		
May 7, 2020 (Virtual via Google Meet)		

Catholic School Council Activities

Support school activities and events throughout the year – CSC Dress Code Donations Support, Niagara Nutrition Partner Grant & Fundraising Giving from the Heart / Kids Helping Kids Campaign
Support Parent Engagement – Christmas Bazaar, Shrove Tuesday Pancake Day
Support Sacramental Preparations: Liaise between St. Thomas More Parish and Loretto Catholic

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Christmas Bazaar	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning	2442.86	1112.41	1330.45
Gift Card Fundraiser	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning	3800.00	3040.00	760.00
Recipe in a Jar Fundraiser	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning			1668.25



MARY WARD

CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2999 Dorchester Road, Niagara Falls, ON L2J 2Z9 Phone: 905-354-9221

Joseph Tornabuono, Principal



NIAGARA CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report				
Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Mrs. S. Allinotte, Chair			
Principal/Vice-Principal	Joe Tornabuono, Principal Randy Pruyn, Vice-Principal			
Meeting Dates				
September 17, 2019				
November 26, 2019				
January 28, 2020				
May 5, 2020				
Catholic School Council Activities				
Representation at School Open Houses				
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being				
Support Sacramental Preparations				
Support school activities and events throughout the year				
Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue (profit from activity)	Expenses (spent on purpose items)	Balance
Opening Balance				10,489.57
Trivia Night and Paint a Sign Night	Math Up License and Math Manipulatives	5153.47	11,456.95	
Popcorn Fundraiser	Playground Repairs and Playground Games	4068.00	3706.40	
	Classroom Rosary Kits and Religion Books		667.70	
				3879.99



Monsignor Clancy and St. Charles CES



2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Angela Coleman , Chair Monsignor Clancy Jeff Maxwell, Chair St. Charles
Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Dan Trainor, Principal- Monsignor Clancy Susy Walsh, Principal-St. Charles

Meeting Dates

October 2, 2019		
December 4, 2019		
February 4, 2020		
April 23, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Open House / Kindergarten Registration Evening
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being : Agenda Use Survey and Results Consultation
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year : Monthly Masses
Support Parent Engagement: Parent Lending Library
Community Out Reach: Food Drives for Thanksgiving and During Lent

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Due to school closure no fundraising occurred during 2019 -2020 school year				



Mother Teresa Catholic Elementary School

125 - 1st St. Louth, St. Catharines, Ontario, L2R 6P9

Telephone: (905)682-6862



2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Rosalie Bilodeau, Chair Jaime Sproat, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Marg Marion, Principal

Meeting Dates

September 17, 2019	May 14, 2020	
October 23, 2019		
November 14, 2019		
January 22, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Meet and Greet Sept. 24, 2019
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year: Christmas Market, Shrove Tuesday. Breakfast club

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Christmas Market	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning	2493.00	403.00	2090.00



NOTRE DAME SCHOOL

6559 Caswell Street Niagara Falls Ontario L2J 1C2 (905) 358-3861

there is no finish line



2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Mary Vetere, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Chris Moscato, Principal

Meeting Dates

September 24, 2019		
November 26, 2019		
February 25, 2020		
May 12, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Open Houses
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being-Math Night for students and families
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Parent Engagement-Parent Social
Community Out Reach-Christmas Food Drive, Family Movie Night

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Bingo	Various school activities	5000.00	0	5000.00



Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School

Proud member of the Blessed Trinity Family of Schools
 69 Olive Street, Grimsby, Ontario, L3M 2C3
 Phone: 905-945-5500 Email: ol.fatima.gr@ncdsb.com
 Principal: Mr. B. Palujanskas
 Vice-Principal: Mr. J. Tolomeo



NIAGARA CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair(s)	Michael Fabbraro-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Brian Palujanskas, Principal Joseph Tolomeo, Vice-Principal

Meeting Dates

September 24, 2019		
October 23, 2019		
January 30, 2020		
May 26, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Open Houses
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
\$50 Family Donation	Social Justice (\$5000), Chromebooks (\$10000), Dreambox (\$10000)	9450.00	9450.00	0

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Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School
 439 Vine Street, St. Catharines, Ontario L2M 3S6
 Telephone: 905-935-4343



Branka Jones, Principal

2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Leah Neamtu, Chair Marnie McAdam, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Branka Jones, Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 24, 2019		
November 26, 2019		
May 27, 2020		
June 2, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities	
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being-Family Literacy Night and SIP community SMART Goal: Eco and Indigenous Family Night	
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation-Through St. Alfred's Church; Graduation: advance notice to parents this year and last that the graduation awards would align with the CGE from ICE.	
Support school activities and events throughout the year-Student Appreciation Day (Halloween); Shrove Tuesday; Snack Program; November Calendar Draw.	
Support Parent Engagement-Playground Committee referred to the Playground Policy to research the feasibility of a new Playground at Fatima to replace the one that was removed during the parking lot renovation	
Community Out Reach-All parent and the Legion of Mary are invited monthly to pray the Rosary on the 13 th of each month.	

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
November Progressive Daily Draw	CSC Budget Items	6400.00	400.00	6000.00
OLG Bingo	CSC Budget Items	7000.00	100.00	6900.00



Our Lady of Victory Catholic School

300 Central Avenue
 Fort Erie, Ontario
 L2A 3T3
 Phone: 905 871 3092
 Fax: 905 871 3719



2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Tina Annett, Chair Grace Wybraniak, Co-Chair
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Principal/Vice-Principal	Rian Bishop, Principal
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Meeting Dates

September 24, 2019		
November 12, 2019		
January 28, 2020		
May 13, 2020-Google Meet		

Catholic School Council Activities

Organized Family Movie Night in December
Supported student well-being and nutrition by running our early morning meal program daily for the duration of the school year
Supported Parental Engagement through support of Niagara Region Public Health PPP Parenting initiative and Links for Greener Learning Parent learning sessions
Liaison between school and community agencies, specifically Food 4 Kids
Involvement in fundraising through sub-committee – Parents for Victory in Education (Bingo Volunteers)

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
No fundraising activities took place this year.				



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
8450 Oliver Street, Niagara Falls, ON L2G 6Z2
Phone: 905-295-3732 – Fax: 905-295-1221



2019-2020
Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Amanda Bocchinfuso, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Irene Ricci, Principal

Meeting Dates

September 24, 2019		
November 20, 2019		
April 30, 2020 (email)		
June 2, 2020 (Virtual Meeting on Google Meet)		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Open Houses: Open House and Meet the Teacher evening: Sept. 11, 2019
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being: Wellness Day at Sacred Heart Jan. 27-30, 2020 with School Nurse
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation: Not at this time (will be re-scheduled in the Fall)
Support school activities and events throughout the year: Purse Bingo for School Community: Feb. 7, 2020
Support Parent Engagement: STEM Night December 17, 2019, Assist with Graduation event on June 22, 2020
Community Out Reach: Niagara Nutrition Partners Involvement and Daily Breakfast Club for all students (each day)

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Box of Cards Fundraising	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning	2200.00	2200.00	0
Purse Bingo	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning	5000.00	5000.00	0
Pizza and Pita Days	Grade 8 Graduation events and gifts	2047.00	0	2047.00
Milk	Purchase PM Benchmarks books to support student learning	1942.00	0	1942.00

St. Alexander Catholic School



26 Regional Rd., Highway 20 East, Fonthill, ON L0S 1E0 Tel: (905) 892-3841
Principal: Y. Benyo

2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Kristin Di Divitiis, Chair Eva Brown, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Yvonne Benyo, Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 26, 2019		
November 4, 2019		
January 20, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at School Open Houses –BBQ included clothing exchange and parent volunteer sign up
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year –Shrove Tuesday and Clothing Exchange opportunities/ BBQ
Support Parent Engagement- CSC Members present at Fall Kindergarten Open House to do tours and answer questions
Community Out Reach- Angel tree donations to Hope Centre, Salvation Army/Niagara Regional Housing/Gillian’s Place

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Fundscrip	Purchase of technology (chrome books)	1386.04	0	1386.04



St. Alfred Catholic Elementary School

280 Vine St. St. Catharines, Ont. L2M 4T3

905-934-9922



2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Jennifer Kirk-Roper, Chair Krystal Gill, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Emma Fera-Massi, Principal Ken Lococo, Vice-Principal

Meeting Dates

September 23, 2019		
December 9, 2019		
February 10, 2020		
April 20, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Open Houses
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Parent Engagement
Community Out Reach

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Halloween Dance a thon	Technology	2257.30	0	2257.30
Winter Wonderland- Family Event	Outside equipment/gym equipment	2927.00	809.14	2117.86



ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

16 St. Andrew Ave. Welland, ON, L3B 1E1

Phone: (905) 732-5663



Mr. C. Kerho, Principal

2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Julia Borg, Chair Scott Woronchak, Co-Chair
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Principal/Vice-Principal	Chris Kerho, Principal
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Meeting Dates

September 24, 2019	January 27, 2020	
October 29, 2019	February 25, 2020	
November 26, 2019	June 5, 2020	

Catholic School Council Activities

Sept 24	Start of School, Open House / Vendor Fair, EQAO Results – released to public tomorrow School Improvement Plan (Math focus), Terry Fox Walk (Sept 27) Please attend Ice Dogs Game, Halloween Fundraiser – Dance-a-thon, The Journey (Oct 23, 24) Technology Update, Walk to school – October 18, Purse Bingo
Oct 29	Photo Re-takes, Poinsettias, Purse Bingo, Inscription Ceremony Grade 8 and Family Mass @ 11:00 am Luncheon, Holy Childhood Walk, Ice Dogs Game, Halloween, Student Council – Intramurals Take Our Kids to Work Day, Kindergarten Open House, Report Cards Home and Conferences Grade 8 Open House Notre Dame College, Feast of St. Andrew, Soup for Lunch Tim Horton's Camp Nov 6 – 8, Christmas at St. Andrew on Dec 18th
Nov 26	Emergency Instructors (not qualified), Advent and Christmas at St. Andrew, Kindergarten Open House, Grade 8 Open House Notre Dame College, Feast of St. Andrew, Soup for Lunch Christmas at St. Andrew on Dec 18th
Jan 27	Principal Profile 2020-21, Giving from the Heart, Pink Shirt Day Pathways Speaker Summit, Transition to Adulthood Planning Kit – SEAC 2020-21 School Year Calendar discussion, Christmas Social
Feb 25	Purse Bingo – New Date, Principal Profile 2020-21 to be completed Giving from the Heart – report, Brightspace Portfolio, System Priorities and Budget 2020-21 – to be discussed next month. Photographer for next year
June 5	Learning at Home, Home – School communication, celebrations of Learning in Kindergarten and Grade 8

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue (profit from activity)	Expenses (spent on purpose items)	Balance
Dance-a-thon	Technology	1200.00	175.00	1025.00
Purse Bingo	Technology	5100.00	1100.00	4000.00
Poinsettias	Technology	584.00	438.44	145.56
Meatballs	Technology	1700.00	500.00	1200.00



St. Ann Catholic Elementary School

832 Canboro Road, Fenwick, Ontario L0S 1C0
 Phone (905) 892-3942 E-mail: st.ann.pel@ncdsb.com



Principal: Mr. Paul Moccia

Secretary: Mrs. Kristi Berklund-Hill

2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Jodie Conley, Chair Genevieve Brennan, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Paul Moccia, Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 24, 2019		
November 26, 2019		
February 11, 2020		
May 6, 2020 (virtual)		

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at School Open Houses
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being (parents involved in supporting various events throughout the year-i.e. Fall Fair, creating of Christmas Crafts)
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year (Gingerbread decorating/Turkey Fundraiser, support making pancakes during Shrove Tuesday, breakfast club support, continued support in planning in all activities and fundraiser initiatives)
Support Parent Engagement (Parent resource and workshop on mental health and well being, Indigenous learner presentation for students)
Community Out Reach (Part of Active School Travel initiative with local community members for safe travel to and from school)

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Gingerbread decorating	offset cost of year end trips & support technology needs	845.00	599.40	245.60
Turkey Raffle	offset cost of year end trips & support technology needs	1660.00	255.71	1404.29
ME to WE Christmas Shop	To support ME to WE initiatives	351.05	0	351.05



St. Ann Catholic Elementary School

"The Spirit of Excellence"

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Mr. Scott Root, Principal

2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report				
Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair		Joanne Azzopardi, Chair Lisa Stoll, Co-Chair		
Principal/Vice-Principal(s)		Scott Root, Principal		
Meeting Dates				
September 24, 2019	January 28, 2020			
October 16, 2019	February 25, 2020- Cancelled			
November 26, 2019	May 26, 2020-Electronic Meeting			
December 11, 2019 (Social)				
Catholic School Council Activities				
Representation at School Open Houses- Supported "Get the Scoop"				
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being- Purchased Dream box				
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation- Usually support First Communion and Reconciliation but postponed due to Covid-19 school closure				
Support school activities and events throughout the year – Supported Shrove Tuesday				
Support Parent Engagement- Monthly meetings open to all parents- encouraged new parents to participate				
Community Out Reach- Supported family in need at our school and St. Alfred through Me to We.				
Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Cash Donations	Lining of the playgrounds	3195.00	0	3195.00
Lottery	Purchase Technology	4374.00	1270.35	
	Purchased Dream Box for primary division		2747.03	356.62



St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School

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Vice-Principal: Mrs. M. Turcotte



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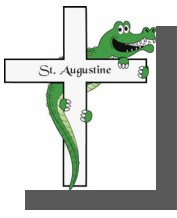
Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Julie Sestilli, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Lori Spadafora, Principal Melissa Turcotte, Vice-Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 24, 2019		
October 16, 2019		
February 25, 2020		
April 30, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at School Open Houses
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Parent Engagement
Community Out Reach

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Dance a thon	Purchase of technology in classrooms	5685.39	1217.80	4467.59
Pizza Days	Purchase of Athletic jerseys and shorts	6817.97	6064.55	753.42
Christmas Store	Support purchase of phys-ed equipment	3392.35	3012.33	380.02
Family Pasta Night	Support purchase of library SMART Board	3640.20	3398.97	241.23
Comedy Showcase	postponed			



St. Augustine Catholic Elementary School

"A community of achievers... spiritually, morally, intellectually and physically"

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 Principal: Jeff Moccia Superintendent: Yolanda Baldasaro



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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Lizette Duerden, Co-Chair Alysia Felker-Penner, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Jeff Moccia, Principal

Meeting Dates

October 7, 2019		
December 2, 2019		
February 20, 2020		
May 28, 2020-Email correspondence		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Open Houses
Support Parent Engagement-increased membership on Catholic School Council
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Community-continued great community partnerships with Rapelje Lodge, Casa Dante, St. Mary's Church and others.

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Little Caesar Pizza Kits	Year end-busing	894.00		894.00
Popcorn Days	Student Council Initiatives	892.00	433.79	458.21
Cookie Dough	Tech and Resources	1579.65		1579.65
Dance-a-thon	Future Resources and financial aid to year end trips	2397.82		2397.82



St. Charles CES & Monsignor Clancy CES



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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Jeff Maxwell, Chair-St. Charles Angela Coleman, Chair-Monsignor Clancy
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Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Susy Walsh, Principal-St. Charles Dan Trainor, Principal-Monsignor Clancy
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Meeting Dates

October 2, 2019		
December 4, 2019		
February 4, 2020		
April 23, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

- Representation at School Open House / Kindergarten Registration Evening
- Support Student Achievement and Well-Being : Agenda Use Survey and Results Consultation
- Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
- Support school activities and events throughout the year : Monthly Masses
- Support Parent Engagement: Parent Lending Library
- Community Out Reach: Food Drives for Thanksgiving and During Lent

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Due to school closure no fundraising occurred during 2019 -2020 school year				

St. Christopher Catholic Elementary School



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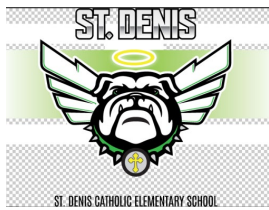
2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Melissa Sticca, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Greg Morawek, Principal

Meeting Dates		
October 9, 2019		
November 20, 2019		
February 12, 2020		
May 27, 2020-Virtual Meeting		

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at School Open Houses: Gingerbread House Night, Parent Welcome Open House, Movie Night,
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being: Kids Helping Kids campaign, Literacy/Numeracy Day,
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation: During 'modified' Grad parent council purchased St. Christopher medallions for all grads/T-shirts
Support school activities and events throughout the year: Advent Food Drive, Shrove Tuesday, Halloween Dance-A-Thon
Community Out Reach: Worked with St. Vincent De Paul Society/ St. Aquinas Church

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
A LA Cart Sales	Subsidize school trips, Scientists in the classroom, Young Artists	862.85	302.16	560.69
Hot Food Days	Subsidize Agenda costs for next year, Grad token of appreciation, Bus transportation	2832.00	2153.07	678.93
Milk Program	Profits directed back into the breakfast club program	620.00	471.69	148.31



St. Denis Catholic Elementary School
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 Mr. K. Lamb
 Principal



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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Brad Humble, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Kevin Lamb, Principal

Meeting Dates

September 25, 2019		
October 16, 2019		
November 20, 2019		
February 12, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year (e.g. Christmas luncheon, Shrove Tuesday)

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
12 Days of Christmas Draw	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning and other student activities	3029.75	2938.00	3670.00
Nevada Lottery	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning and other student activities	5602.91	2938.00	2664.91



St. Edward Catholic School

Small in size, but big in spirit



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2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair(s)	Kathy Crawford, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Carla Bianco, Principal John Romano, Acting-Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 2019		
November 13, 2019		
January 28, 2020		
February 25, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at School Open Houses
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Parent Engagement
Community Out Reach-Christmas Basket

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Fielding Estates Wine Bottle Fundraiser	Front Entrance Refresh	909.97	0	909.97



ST. ELIZABETH

Catholic Elementary School



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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Bree Proulx, Chair Amber Stankowski, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Kim Kuchar, Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 17, 2019	February 19, 2020	
November 5, 2019-Christmas Fundraiser November 11 & 25-Planning for Family Night	March 31, 2020	
December 9, 2019	May 5, 2020-meeting postponed	
January 14, 2020	June 2, 2020- meeting postponed	

Catholic School Council Activities
Hosted Family Faith Formation Retreat-September 18 at Jericho House
Supported Halloween Family night-October 30, 2019
Supported Christmas Family Night –November 27,2019
Supported Family Winter Carnival-January 29, 2020
Support Sacramental Preparations and Graduation-postponed
Parish and School picnic-June 14-Cancelled

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue (profit from activity)	Expenses (spent on purpose items)	Balance
Wine Fundraiser	Fundraising for Technology	1346.99	0	1346.99

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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair(s)	Michelle Saccone, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Jenn DeCoff, Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 24, 2019		
November 28, 2019		
January 23, 2020		
April 6, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities
Bingo
Gingerbread Night
Breakfast Program
Halloween Activities
Joy Day Support
Shrove Tuesday Help
Fundraising initiative

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Dieleman Fundraiser – Magazine Sales/Cookie Dough	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning	1200.00	760.00	440.00
Bingo	Technology – 12 Chromebooks Purchased	6539.35	3525.60	3013.75



St. George Catholic Elementary School

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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Tiffany Carter, Co-Chair Anja Wilson, Co-Chair
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Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Rosanne Sandel, Principal
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Meeting Dates

October 1, 2019	April 30, 2020	
December 3, 2019	June – Email Communication	
March 5 th , 2020 (Memo of Boards Design of System Priorities and Balanced Budget)		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Open House Members of Council have a display describing their role and where help is needed (i.e. Bingo) Members of Council come to JK Information night and explain role of CSC
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being--To support and promote Board and Ministry initiatives based on literacy and numeracy for the students. We discuss student achievement (i.e. EQAO scores and discuss areas in need as per School Improvement Plan)
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation Graduation dinner is covered, composites and holders paid for Confirmation Pins given to Grade 8 students, Crosses are given to Grade 2 First Communion candidates (rescheduled)
Support school activities and events throughout the year: Skating Days, Winter French Play Day (assist with centers and hot chocolate station), Shrove Tuesday, Eco Club (assist with gardens), Dance-a-thon, Big Box Fundraiser, Cereal Drive, Halloween Walk
Support Parent Engagement Policy vetting to inform parents of new changes to existing policies and new upcoming policies.
Community Our Reach-Food Drives for St. Vincent, Assist with Remembrance Day Celebrations at the Legion

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Food Days	Chrome Books	1684.00	1684.000	0
Big Box Fundraiser	Graduation Expenses Author Visits	2672.00	2672.00	0
Dance-a-thon	Literacy/Numeracy Supports for our Makerspace	1460.00	1460.00	0



St. James Catholic Elementary School

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Principal: Mrs. Jackie R Watson

Secretary: Miss Kathleen Kevins

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Catholic School Council Chair	Stella Wheeler-Bigford, Chair
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Principal/Vice-Principal	Jackie Watson, Principal
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Meeting Dates

September 18, 2019	November 28, 2019 Sub Committee	April 27, 2020; Email to CSC members
October 16, 2019	January 8, 2020	June 17, 2020-Electronic Meeting
November 20, 2019	February 12, 2020	

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School BBQ and Meet and Greet: Thursday, September 12, 2019
Support school activities and events throughout the year: November 28 2019 Sub Committee to set-up raffle table
Support school activities and events throughout the year: December 10, 2019 Gingerbread Night and Raffle
Support school activities and events throughout the year: January 8, 2020 To organize March Madness Raffle
Support school activities and events throughout the year: March 2-13, 2020 One CSC member/day to draw raffle ticket
School Community Participation: June 3, 2020 Email invitation to participate in <i>Thoughtexchange</i> .

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Gingerbread Night and Raffle	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning	400.00	NIL	400.00
Cookie Dough	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning	6620.70	4279.85	2340.85
March Madness Raffle	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning	8280.00	248.79	8031.21



St. John Catholic School

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Vice-Principal: Mr. E. Roussos

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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Natalie McGregor, Co-Chair Deanna Fotivec, Co-Chair	
Principal/Vice-Principal	John Romano Emmanuel Roussos	September-October/2019 October/2019-June 2020

Meeting Dates		
September 24, 2019	February 25, 2020	
October 29, 2019	April 28, 2020 Virtual	
November 26, 2019	May 26, 2020 Virtual	
January 28, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at School Open Houses –Gently used clothing swap, Guest
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being – Healthy Schools Team, Mental Health Team, Safe School Team, Family Survey of wellness supports for the school.
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation - Partnership with St. Joseph Parish – Sacramental Parent Info. Sessions.
Support school activities and events throughout the year - Eco Team, School Beautification, Terry Fox Walk, Kindergarten Open House, Parent-Teacher Interviews, Wellness Fair, Advent Family Mass, Shrove Tuesday, Book Fair, Year End Family Night.
Support Parent Engagement – Family Gingerbread Night, Guest Speaker for students and parents.
Community Out Reach – St. Joseph CWL, Knights of Columbus, Local businesses, Grimsby Benevolent Fund

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue (profit from activity)	Expenses (spent on purpose items)	Balance
Hallowe'en Dance-a-thon	Purchase Chromebooks to support student Learning, purchase resources to include both French and English language resources, outdoor sports equipment for the classes to use at recess and outdoor play.	5,352.30	1,031.72	4,667.37



ST. JOHN BOSCO CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair(s)	Bobbie Langlois, Chair Shawna Hintenberger, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Mary Kay Kalagian, Principal

Meeting Dates

September 24, 2019		
October 23, 2019		
November 1, 2019		
January 21, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Open Houses on September 24, 2019
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation – We met virtually in May to prepare for our Grade 8 Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year – Thanksgiving Feast, Halloween, Vendor Fair, Coffee Fundraiser, Tote Fundraiser

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Vendor Fair	Purchasing Chromebooks to support student learning	1133.50	1133.50	0
Grassetto Coffee Fundraiser	Purchasing Chromebooks to support student learning	456.31	456.31	0
Hawaiian Dance-a-thon	Purchasing Chromebooks to support student learning	2664.00	2664.00	0
Tote Fundraiser	Purchasing Chromebooks to support student learning	126.17	126.17	0



St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School

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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Dina Francis, Chair Lyndsey Dickson, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Lisa Incaviglia, Principal

Meeting Dates

September 24, 2019		
November 26, 2019		
February 10, 2020		
May 26, 2020-Virtual Meeting		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at Meet the Teacher Night in September
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Parent Engagement through the continued development and expansion of the Parent Lending Library and events like the presentation to parents/guardians by Paul Davis on Social Networking Safety

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Dance-a-thon	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning	7943.51	7943.51	0
Lunch Rebates	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning	3367.53	3367.53	0
Lunch Rebates	Parent Night – Paul Davis – Social Networking Safety Presentation	565.00	565.00	0



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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Lisa Venzon, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Diane Pizale, Principal

Meeting Dates

October 11, 2019	March 30, 2020-email	
November 5, 2020	June 15, 2020-teleconference	
January 14, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Open Houses (Curriculum Night, two Kindergarten Open Houses)
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being-Niagara Nutrition Program Participants, Healthy Eating School
Support Sacramental Preparations/Altar Server & Readers at Church Preparation/Graduation/Monthly Masses
Support school activities and events throughout the year –Skating, Pancake Tuesday, Trips, Bingo Volunteers, Nevada-man Break Open Tickets, Nutrition Program Volunteers, Hot Lunches, Milk Program, Walkathons, Candy grams
Support Parent Engagement-Home Depot, Numeracy and Literacy Day, Book Fair/Authors, Mathletics/Heritage Fair/ Speak Out/Celebrating Artists, Christmas Concert, Choir activities
Community Out Reach-Food Drives, Battery Drive, Share Lent, Kids Helping Kids, Support Families (Christmas)

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Big Brothers Big Sisters Feb. 14-Candy grams	Go Girls, Game on, In school mentoring Support Campaign	226.00	226.00	0
Hot Foods/Milk	Pays for grad engraving, individual plaques	809.43		809.43
Magazines/QSP	Purchased Chromebooks	2227.64	2227.65	0
Cookie Dough	Purchased Chromebooks	1768.87	1768.87	0
Christmas Raffle	Toys for our new outside K shed (Kindergarten program)	400.00		400.00
Mathletics -License	Break Open Tickets (Nevada-man)	ongoing	1200.00	4132.00

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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Laura White, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Maria Solomon, Principal

Meeting Dates

September 17, 2019	May 20, 2020-Virtual Meeting	
October 15, 2019		
November 26, 2019		
February 25, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

September 10, 2019 Meet and Great Family BBQ
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being – Hot lunches
Support school activities and events throughout the year - Scientists in the Classroom, Family Paint Night, Art Club, Lego Club, Project Rewind – ongoing playground project
Support Parent Engagement - not applicable this year, moved to 20/21
Community Out Reach- Harvest Kitchen on January 29, 2020, Backpacks of Hope, Mitten Tree, Mother Hubbard’s Cupboard, We Scare Hunger, Purchase of Goats – from World Vision

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Popcorn Sales	Purchase library chairs, supplies for Art club and Lego club	1657.15	1226.99	430.16
Poinsettia Sales	Fundraiser for Niagara Nutrition Partners School Snack Program	1040.96	1040.96	0
Santa’s Little Helper	Mounted EPSOM projector for library, designated for gym mats on hold until 20/21	3609.00	0	3609.00



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2019-2020

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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Mrs. Mary Jane DiBartolemeo, Co-Chair Mrs. Monica Giammarco, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Steve Ward, Principal Tim Atkinson, Vice-Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 26, 2019		
October 24, 2019		
December 10, 2019		
January 28, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities		
Representation at School Open Houses-Curriculum Evening and B.B.Q		
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being-EQAO data and School Improvement Plan review/Science Fair/Heritage Fair		
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation-Family Advent Mass/Stations of the Cross Service Shrove (pancake) Tuesday		
Support school activities and events throughout the year/with Santa/Science Fair		
Support Parent Engagement-Primary Christmas Movie Night/Gingerbread House Making nights/Breakfast		
Community Out Reach-Thanksgiving Food Drive/Advent Food/Clothing/Toy Drives		

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Dance-a-thon	Chromebooks and Physical Education Equipment	7,843.00	398.00 prizes 784.30-church	6660.70
Hot Lunches	Technology in the classrooms	19,076.25	14,582.35	4,493.90
Fun Fair	Cancelled due to COVID -19			



St. Martin Catholic Elementary School

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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Melissa Aquillina, Chair Kelly Duliban, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Chris Zanuttini, Principal Angela Villella, Vice-Principal

Meeting Dates

September 24, 2019	February 25, 2020	
October 29, 2019		
November 26, 2019		
December 17, 2019		

Catholic School Council Activities

Meet the Staff/Family BBQ assistance
School Spirit Wear orders
Advent/Christmas activities for the school community
Smithville community outreach project
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Smithville Christmas Parade involvement
Shrove Tuesday involvement
Kindergarten Open House and Registration presence
School Naturalization involvement

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Fielding Estates Wine Fundraiser	School naturalization Teacher/classroom/phys-ed supplies and equipment	22,725.15	18,645.25	4079.90
Specialty Lunch Program	Financial support for families in need New sports team uniforms	28,669.70	23,238.27	5431.43



St. Mary Catholic Elementary School
 5719 Morrison Street, Niagara Falls, ON
 Principal- Mrs. R. Araujo



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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Sarah Elefante, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Rosie Araujo, Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 24, 2019		
October 21, 2019		
December 2, 2019		
February 24, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at School Open House
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being (recess and gym equipment/French resources)
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation (present during masses/functions)
Support school activities and events throughout the year (CSC representation)
Support Parent Engagement and Building community (pasta night, pancake day)

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
	Opening Balance			3092.32
Holiday Shop fundraiser	New sporting equipment, French supplemental activities	670.37	961.19	2801.50
Pasta Night Fundraiser	Recess equipment (by class), library books, families in need support	1157.71	1790.44	2168.77



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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Tammy Nadeau, Chair Rebecca Williams, Co-Chair
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Principal/Vice-Principal	Joe Romeo, Principal
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Meeting Dates

September 24, 2019	June 18, 2020-virtual meeting	
October 22, 2019		
November 19, 2019		
February 6, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Open Houses
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Parent Engagement
Community Out Reach

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Dielman (Fall)	Subsidize Field Trips	2809.00	1553.37	1255.63
Halloween	Technology	889.75	96.39	793.36
Gift Shop	Technology	1250.00	488.84	761.16
Craft Show	Technology	2806.00	197.25	2608.75
Poinsettia	Subsidize Field Trips	395.00	266.12	128.88



St. Michael Catholic School

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Principal: Mrs. J. Barretto Mendonca



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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair(s)	Brenda Ferguson, Chair Rose Folino, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Janice Barretto-Mendonca, Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 18, 2019		
October 16, 2019		
January 22, 2020		
May 6, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at School Open Houses & Grandparents Day
Support Graduation in June 2020 with donations
Support STREAM, Book Fair & Shrove Tuesday events throughout the year
Community Out Reach to parish, Newark Neighbors,
Parent Engagement through Trivia Night for adults (event cancelled)

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Pizza & Pasta Days	Support technology purchases & outdoor learning environments	12665.50	9901.53	2763.97



St. Nicholas Catholic Elementary School
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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Joyanne Derreck, Chair Lee Page, Co-Chair
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Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Theo Dagenais, Principal
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Meeting Dates

October 15, 2019		
November 26, 2019		
February 3, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Open Houses
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Parent Engagement
Feast of St. Nicholas, Pancakes for Shrove Tuesday

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Christmas Shop Chocolate Bars Nevada	New indoor and outdoor educational equipment	8451.30	5352.81	3098.49



St. Patrick Catholic Elementary School

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Principal: Mr. G. Marchio

“We create a Christ-centered environment within which people will grow and learning will flourish”

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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Patricia McGilvery, Co-Chair Nancy Phillips, Co-Chair			
Principal/Vice-Principal	Gus Marchio, Principal			
Meeting Dates				
September 24, 2019	January 28, 2020	May 20, 2020-Online		
November 26, 2019	February 25, 2020			
Catholic School Council Activities				
Representation at School Open Houses-CSC Chairs were at the open house giving out letter of information regarding CSC and serving light refreshment to families that attended				
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being-Planned a guest speaker – Paul Davis Internet Safety – May 6, 2020 – rescheduled until next year March 25 th				
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation-N/A – Sacraments were to take place during the Covid 19 closure				
Support school activities and events throughout the year -Volley Ball Tournament Concession and Meat ball sub event, Kids Helping Kids, Family Mass at Christmas, Christmas Celebrations, March Dance A Thon				
Support Parent Engagement Parent Presentation guest speaker – Paul Davis – Internet Safety – Rescheduled due to Covid 19				
Community Out Reach-Partnership with Niagara Falls Community Health – You’re the Chef/March Break Camps/Free Haircuts, Christmas/Turkey Donation at Christmas/Christmas Eve Breakfast, Partnership with Post Cereal – Cereal Donation for breakfast program				
Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Big Red Meat Fundraiser	Technology/School Activities	6622.00	5168.00	1454.00
Paint Night/Meatball Sub/Volleyball Concessions	Technology/School Activities	1362.30	700.40	661.90
Christmas Raffle	Technology/School Activities	2450.00	1108.00	1340.00
Reindeer Grams	Technology/School Activities	365.00	0	365.00
Dance-a-thon	Technology/ School Activities	252.55	0	252.55
Total				4075.45



ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Principal: Mr. M. Venzon



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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Olga Loeffen, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Mark Venzon, Principal

Meeting Dates

September 24, 2019		
October 29, 2019		
November 28, 2019		
February 18, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Support Student Achievement and Well-Being – Ongoing discussions about initiatives and strategies that support student learning as linked to EQAO results. These included our ongoing MathUp tasks.
Food drive for Thanksgiving – Food to families connected to Port Cares
Halloween Dance-a-thon
*Monthly mass involvement - Parents always invited. Thanksgiving luncheon organized by CSC followed Oct. 10th mass.
Community Out Reach discussions surrounding collection of food items as well as sponsoring families for gifts at Christmas through Port Cares. Adopt families for each class (each class sponsored 1 specific family)
Christmas Concert at Lakeshore Catholic - December. Canned goods as a donation to families connected to Port Cares.
Family Advent Mass - December 10th, 2019 6pm
Kids Helping Kids Week(s) - Valentine's Dance
School-Wide Shrove Tuesday Celebration.

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Big Box Cards	New Purchases ... Sound system, 2 short throw projectors with magnetic boards	1415.00 + (2573.85 Fun Fair 2019 revenue) + (7302.02 Trivia Night 2019 revenue)	6500.00	4790.87



St. Peter School

7 Aberdeen Circle, St. Catharines, ON, L2T 2B7
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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Cara Krezek, Chair Christine Mazzolino, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Victoria Wegelin, Principal

Meeting Dates

September 17, 2019	January 22, 2020	
October 9, 2019	February 12, 2020	
November 6, 2019	March 10, 2020	

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at School Open Houses Presentation by Council to all parents to become involved in our Catholic School Council
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being To support and promote Board and Ministry initiatives based on literacy and numeracy for the students. EQAO scores were discussed and plan of action to improve areas in need as outlined in our School Improvement Plan.
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation Mementos are given to Grade 2 students receiving First Communion and Grade 8 graduating students.
Support school activities and events throughout the year Christmas Gift Shop participation, which raised funds that will be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Santa Photo Christmas cards for every child sent out by Council Shrove Tuesday, Healthy Schools Team, SNAC Program
Support Parent Engagement-Fun Fair, Trivia Night (on hold do to COVID-19)

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue (profit from activity)	Expenses (spent on purpose items)	Balance
Food Days	Sporting equipment, School Athletic banner Sporting Wear for Teams Author Visit to school and Literacy support	22,299.44	20,839.94	2018.49
Poinsettia Fundraiser	Robotics Team Expenses Graduation expenses Technology supports	4388.55	3484.92	903.63



ST. PHILOMENA CATHOLIC SCHOOL



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Phone: 905-871-1842

Principal: Chris Spagnol

2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Nila Lampman, Chair Diana Maskell, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Chris Spagnol, Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 24, 2019		
October 29, 2019		
November 26, 2019		
January 28, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at School Open Houses and Flu Clinic
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Organization of Fundraisers: e.g.: Pasta Night
Support Parent Engagement
Organization of Staff Appreciation Luncheon
Organization of Year End BBQ

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Holiday Raffle	Spec Ed. Hallway, Sensory Room	1563.27		1563.27
Christmas Fundraiser	Vex Robotics	2934.15		2934.15
School Lunches	Play Day, Graduation, Shrove Tuesday, Recess Equipment	16,383.45	15,101.09	1282.36
Pasta Night	Projector Screen	2815.75		2815.75

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ST. THERESA CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Carrie Ann Csordas, Co-Chair Melanie Misener, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Deborah Mercnik, Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 17, 2019		
November 13, 2019		
June 1, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities
Meet the Teacher BBQ hosted by CSC-September 11, 2019.
Halloween Dances October 24, 2019.
Chocolate Bar Fundraiser October 9-October 29, 2019.
Christmas Stockings for St. Theresa's Needy Families December 2019.
Breakfast with Santa November 30, 2019.
Movie Night January 24, 2020.
Graduation Tokens of Appreciation June 22, 2020.

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue (profit from activity)	Expenses (spent on purpose items)	Balance
Chocolate Bars	Purchase Chromebooks to support student learning	7991.10	5873.90	2117.20
Meet the Teacher BBQ	Student Agendas	286.34	241.15	45.19
Halloween Dances	Christmas Stockings	229.77	138.63	90.14
Breakfast with Santa	Christmas Stockings	414.54	125.46	289.08
Movie Night	Tables for the Gym	156.48	141.52	14.96



ST. THÉRÈSE CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Principal: Mr. J. Lennox

Secretary: Mrs. M. Saxton



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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	M. Cooper, Chair
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Principal/Vice-Principal	Jay Lennox, Principal
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Meeting Dates

September 26, 2019	March 3, 2020	
October 24, 2019	May 14, 2020	
January 29, 2020	June 10, 2020	

Catholic School Council Activities

Support grad activities
Representation at School Open Houses
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Parent Engagement
Community Out Reach

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Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Christmas Bazaar	Technology	2273.00	57.69	2215.31
Christmas Raffle (Lottery)	Educational Field Trips/Guest Speakers	2353.00	305.06	2047.94
SpringFest	Sports Equipment	0	0	0

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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	L. Rosano, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	J. Lafontaine, Principal

Meeting Dates

September 25, 2019	May 20, 2020-teleconference	
October 23, 2019		
November 20, 2019		
February 16, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

Spirituality Committee

- To provide opening prayers before meetings.
- To provide parish reports at each meeting.
- To buy/make gifts and present them at First Communion/Confirmation class celebrations.
- To assist with the Soup Kitchen
- To initiate the Samaritan's Purse campaign

Social/Fundraising Committee

- To organize the Family Christmas Party
- To organize the year-end Family Fun Fair/BBQ and Dress Code 'Trade Day' – did not occur due to closure
- Pasta Night – did not occur due to closure

Lunch/Food Committee

- To assist with a lunch program
- To assist with the meal for Shrove Tuesday
- To assist with food at Play Day – did not occur due to closure

Graduation Committee

- To assist with the Dance-a-thon
- To assist with grade 8 Graduation set up – did not occur due to closure

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue (profit from activity)	Expenses (spent on purpose items)	Balance
Family Christmas	Purchase Technology and Learning Materials	1076.00	189.00	887.00
Hot Lunch	Purchase Technology and Learning Materials	2363.00	2097.63	265.37



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Secondary Catholic School Council Annual Reports 2019-2020

Blessed Trinity Catholic Secondary School

Denis Morris Catholic High School

Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School

Lakeshore Catholic High School

Notre Dame College School

Saint Francis Catholic Secondary School

Saint Michael Catholic High School

Saint Paul Catholic High School





Blessed Trinity Catholic Secondary School
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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Karen Lord, Chair			
Principal/Vice-Principals	Joe Zaroda, Principal Dominic Scozzafava, Vice-Principal Antonio Soares, Vice-Principal			
Meeting Dates				
September 25, 2019	January 16, 2020	June 4, 2020 (virtual)		
November 6, 2019	April 23, 2020 (virtual)			
Catholic School Council Activities				
Gently Used Uniform Sale - On August 30, 2018, Grade 9 Orientation Day, we held our annual gently used uniform sale.				
Support Redesign of Blessed Trinity's school website.				
Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation - Father Rico to possibly provide a virtual graduation mass.				
Provide funds to school clubs/departments/activity - Teachers submitted requests for funds providing the following details, the club/department/activity, the nature of their request, including rationale and the scope of who would be benefiting, the cost of the project and the amount requested from CSC.				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eco Club - \$200 for Green bin liners. • Science Olympics - \$400 – Costs for running the BT Science Olympics • Science - \$500 – Bussing costs for students to travel to Universities to participate in STEM workshops • English Department - \$3,000 – 10 Chromebooks • Community Dinner (Soup Kitchen) - \$400 – in partnership with St. Joseph parish, GBF and St. Vincent DePaul hosting a community dinner for families in need. • Special Education - \$500 – 2 IPAD minis to support special needs students with communication to support social skills and integration with peers. • Formal - \$500 – Cost of police officers for the formal. • Book Club - \$720 – set of novels (36 in total for both semesters) for book club members. • Thunderstruck Link Crew - \$400 – purchase of t-shirts for 50-60 students. 				
Support Parent Engagement - Speaking at Open House - On November 20, 2018 we spoke at the Open House to inform them about CSC, BT school and encouraged parents to become involved.				
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being				
Support school activities and events throughout the year				
Provide Awards for Graduates - We will be providing cash awards to 2 or 3 graduating students.				
Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Gently Used Uniform Sales	Distribution to school clubs	7,575	6,660	915.00



Denis Morris Catholic High School

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Mrs. Colleen Quinn-Boyer
Vice - Principal

Mr. Sam Gualtieri
Vice - Principal

2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

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Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair(s)	Chair- Angela Coleman			
Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Danny DiLorenzo, Principal Colleen Quinn-Boyer, Vice-Principal Sam Gualtieri, Vice-Principal			
Meeting Dates				
September 24, 2019	April 21, 2020 (zoom)			
November 12, 2019	May 26, 2020 (zoom)			
January 28, 2020	June 16, 2020 (zoom)			
Catholic School Council Activities				
Grade 9 Open House – November 19				
CSC Graduation Scholarships				
Pilgrimage – October 27, 2019				
CSC Christmas Baskets				
Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Used Uniform Sale	Towards Christmas Baskets and Scholarships	1275.00	0	1275.00



Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School

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Andrew Boon, Principal

Brandon Atamanyk, Vice-Principal

2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Cathy Buis, Chair Kate Hingston, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal	Andrew Boom, Principal Brandon Atamanyk, Vice-Principal

Meeting Dates

September 23, 2019	April 27, 2020-cancelled
November 4, 2019	May 4, 2020-Zoom Meeting
January 20, 2020	
March 9, 2020-cancelled	

Catholic School Council Activities

Representation at Open Houses/Curriculum Night
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support Graduation-Responsible for 10-\$100 grad scholarships
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Parent Engagement
Support Community Out Reach

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
No Fundraising Activities				



Lakeshore Catholic High School



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Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair(s)	Chair- Co-Chair- Kim Jarvis Co-Chair- Laurie Marr
Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Principal- <i>Denice Robertson</i> Vice-Principal- <i>Andrew Bartley</i>

Meeting Dates		
September ----	January -----	May 25, 2020 (Zoom meeting)
October 2, 2019	February 24, 2020	June ----
November 25, 2019	March -----	
December ----	April ----	

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at School Open Houses
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being
Support school activities and events throughout the year
Support Parent Engagement

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
Sale of Used Uniforms	10 scholarships provided for June 2020 graduates	\$1,770.00	\$2,500.00	\$3,356.00



Notre Dame College School

2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Therese Billsborough, Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Ken Griepsma, Principal Kelly Majka, Vice-Principal

Meeting Dates		
September 24, 2019		
November 26, 2019		
January 28, 2020		
April 29, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities
Representation at Grade 9 Curriculum Night, Grade 8/9 Open House, Parent-Student-Teacher Conference Evening.
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being – providing feedback to Principal regarding EQAO scores and trends along with various School/System Priorities.
Feedback on the Remote, On-line Learning process during the months the physical building was closed due to COVID-19.
Assistance with Notre Dame’s 44 th Annual Pilgrimage.
Providing feedback to Principal on adjustments to Graduation.
Liaison between Parish and School Communities.

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
N/A				



Saint Francis Catholic Secondary School

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Jim Whittard, Principal

Tony DellaVentura, Vice-Principal

2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Sandra McQuade, Chair			
Principal/Vice-Principal	Jim Whittard, Principal Tony DellaVentura, Vice-Principal			
Meeting Dates				
October 2, 2019 (Inaugural)				
November 13, 2019				
February 19, 2020				
April 2, 2020				
May 13, 2020				
Catholic School Council Activities				
Representation at School Open Houses – Gr. 9 Night and Gr. 8 Open House				
Support Graduation – specifically our post grad social				
Support and voluntary support of our Pilgrimage				
Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020				
Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue (profit from activity)	Expenses (spent on purpose items)	Balance
N/A				



SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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2019-2020 Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair	Mr. Shawn Gratton, Chair Mrs. Samantha Taddeo, Co-Chair
Principal/Vice-Principal(s)	Glenn Gifford, Principal

Meeting Dates

October 16, 2019		
December 11, 2019		
February 12, 2020		

Catholic School Council Activities

- Representation at School Open Houses - CSC Chair does a welcome. Booth set up to gather parent's names interested in Council and family. New members welcomed with call from chair.*
- Support Student Achievement and Well-Being – report given to CSC regarding our safe schools initiatives*
- Support Sacramental Preparations/Graduation – The STM Family/Council sets up, organizes and run our Graduation Luncheon for all graduates. The Family also provides scholarships to graduates and hands out grad scholarships at graduation.*
- Support school activities and events throughout the year - Grad Luncheon and Community Vendor's Fair*
- Support Parent Engagement – Open house presence in addition to Grade 9 Curriculum Night*
- Community Out Reach - Vendor's Fair hosted by STM Family/Council*

Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020

Fundraising Activity	Purpose	Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>	Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>	Balance
No fundraising				



Saint Paul Catholic High School

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Mr. Bradley Johnstone
Principal

Mr. John Belcastro
Vice-Principal

Mr. Lou Stranges
Vice-Principal

2019-2020

Catholic School Council Annual Report

Catholic School Council Chair/Co-Chair					Mary Carlesso, Chair				
Principal/Vice-Principal					Brad Johnstone, Principal John Belcastro, Vice-Principal				
Meeting Dates									
September 24, 2019									
November 26, 2019									
February 11, 2020									
April 28, 2020									
Catholic School Council Activities									
Representation at Grade Eight and Grade Nine Open Houses and at the Pathways Summit Event									
Supporting volunteer opportunities at OLS rummage sale, Mass, food drives, and annual Christmas Bazaar.									
Support Student Achievement and Well-Being, discussion around new clubs at Saint Paul (Interact Club, Robotics Team)									
Supporting school activities and events throughout the year									
Parent Engagement with Policy Vetting throughout the school year by providing feedback.									
Supporting faith based events, Advent retreat for busy Catholic moms, OLS live streaming services due to Covid-19.									
Sharing information found on NCDSB website and social media – Niagara Catholic Mental Health resources for parents									
Catholic School Council Financial Report 2019-2020									
Fundraising Activity		Purpose			Revenue <small>(profit from activity)</small>		Expenses <small>(spent on purpose items)</small>		Balance
N/A		Saint Paul Family records and focuses on fundraising activities. Parents from CSC volunteer their time to assist with these initiatives.							



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Parent Involvement Committee

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Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee



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Parent Members	
Shonna Daly	Fort Erie/Port Colborne/ Wainfleet
Darryl Nohara (Chair)	Grimsby/Lincoln/West Lincoln/Pelham
Kim Hedden	Merritton/Thorold
Heather McCluckie	Merritton/Thorold
Marilyn Fabiano	Niagara Falls/Niagara-on-the-Lake
Chris Kouroushis (Co-Chair)	Niagara Falls/Niagara-on-the-Lake
Josephine Muraca-Lettieri	Niagara Falls/Niagara-on-the-Lake
Jitto Tom Uthup	Niagara Falls/Niagara-on-the-Lake
Rita Colling	St. Catharines
Jeremy A. Harb	St. Catharines
Kate Hingston	St. Catharines
AJ McLaughlin/Melanie Oaks-Flegg	Welland
Carrie Vernelli	Welland
Community Representatives	
Leone Strilec	Development and Peace
Shelley Gilbert	Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Board, School and Diocesan Representatives	
Fr. Peter Rowe	Bishop/Diocesan Representative
Vincent Mancuso	Special Education Advisory Committee Representative
Melissa Coleman	Secondary Student Senate Representative
Trustees	
Dino Sicoli	Vice-Chair of the Board
Leanne Prince	Trustee
Staff	
Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells	Director's Designate-Superintendent of Education
Kim Kuchar	Elementary Principal
Brad Johnstone	Secondary Principal
Josie Rocca	Support Staff
Yvonne Anderson	Recording Secretary

2019-2020**Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Annual Report**

The 2019-2020 year was a very active year for NCPIC that witnessed the position of Chair change in January due to the previous chair resigning for personal reasons. Parent engagement was high, but respectful, in the course of the vetting of fundamental policies. NCPIC Faith Formation and Goals subcommittees were resurrected by members with the hope of collectively discovering new opportunities to engage, support, and faith-form our students and families. Unfortunately, just as the work within these committees was beginning, a public health risk developed that would change everything.

The 2019-2020 school year will be remembered for years and possibly generations to come as the year that COVID-19 (previously known as “2019 novel coronavirus”) changed our way of life. It has been a turbulent year for the NCDSB, the Province of Ontario, and Canada as the world comes to terms with the spread and far-reaching effects of COVID-19, which the World Health Organization declared a pandemic on March 11, 2020. On March 12th, Ontario announced that its schools would remain closed until April 6th, following the March Break. On March 17, 2020 Ontario declared a state of emergency. The state of emergency and resulting school closures have been extended several times, and currently remain in effect through the end of June. With many parents working from home or facing layoffs, they have had to step up and take a larger role in the education and remote learning of their children. School Boards and teachers have had to quickly develop online and other methods and supports to assist parents in keep students of all grade levels learning and engaged from their remote home setting. Governments and school boards are only now starting to build a sense of what the next school year beginning in September will look like as physical distancing continues to be essential to prevent the spread of this virus.

As a result of COVID-19 and resulting school closures, all NCPIC and committee meetings can no longer be done in person. Furthermore, trying to plan for faith formation and parent engagement activities when most inter-provincial travel and public engagements with more than five persons are forbidden. A better sense of possibilities should be attainable come September. Health and safety is imperative and must be ranked first.

Meeting Dates

September 5, 2019

October 17, 2019-Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee and Catholic School Council Chairs/Co-Chairs Meeting

November 7, 2019

January 9, 2020-Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting and Parent Event: Parenting with Wisdom (Kevin Cameron)

March 5, 2020-Presentation by Director Crocco, Niagara Catholic System Priorities and Budget 2020-2021

May 7, 2020-Electronic Meeting

Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Activities

Foster, encourage and support parent engagement throughout the Board

Support Catholic School Councils of the Board

Representation on various Board Committees

Representation at Open Houses/Meet the Teacher and Curriculum Nights

Host the Annual Catholic School Council Chairs/Co-Chairs Meeting and Faith Formation

Host a parent engagement event-Parenting with Wisdom with Kevin Cameron

Participate in Board initiatives and activities and provide feedback on the Niagara Catholic Policies, the Board’s System Priorities and Budget, and School Year Calendar.

Support the Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education and Benefit Gala

Reconvention of the Faith Formation Subcommittee and Goals Subcommittee

Participated in a teleconference hosted by Ontario Ministry of Education as well as with Ontario PIC Chairs regarding best practices and challenges with remote learning and parental responsibilities in teaching as a result of Ontario’s State of Emergency and closure of schools.

Financial Report 2019-2020**Expenses**

In partnership with the Niagara Catholic District School Board the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee supported a parent event “Parenting with Wisdom” with Kevin Cameron.

\$1000.00

Refreshments for the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meetings

\$35.00

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

PUBLIC SESSION

**TITLE: STAFF DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

The Report on Staff Development Department:
Professional Development Opportunities is presented for information.

Prepared by: Pat Rocca, Superintendent of Education
Anthony Corapi, Coordinator of Staff Development

Presented by: Pat Rocca, Superintendent of Education

Approved by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer

Date: November 10, 2020



REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING NOVEMBER 10, 2020

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In alignment with the Board's Vision 2020 Strategic Plan and Annual System Priorities, the Department of Staff Development, as an integral aspect of its mandate, acts as the point of co-ordination among various departments. Thus ensuring that all professional development opportunities for staff, both teaching and non-teaching, occur in a seamless fashion to minimize disruptions to the myriad services provided within our Niagara Catholic community. The following is a listing of activities occurring during the period November 10, 2020 through December 1, 2020.

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Professional Activity Day

- The Professional Activity Day in both the Elementary and Secondary panels is on Wednesday, November 18, 2020. The primary venue for all elementary and secondary school staff is their home school.
- **Highlights of the day:**
 - o Theme: Mathematics Learning
 - o Review of mathematics data and creating goals for the School Improvement Plan
 - o Morning: one hour keynote address via Zoom from Dr. Christine Suurtamm (University of Ottawa) - Mathematics learning and the new curriculum
 - o School Staff Community Building Activities
 - o NCVLE training for Occasional Teachers
 - o Specific training sessions for Child and Youth Workers, Custodial Staff and Chaplains
 - o Use of Portfolios and myBlueprint live workshop for secondary teachers
 - o Elementary educators will choose from a menu of live workshops in the afternoon from the areas of Mathematics (Operational Sense, Fractions, Number Talks), Coding, Virtual Learning Environment, FSL, Minecraft, Assessment & Evaluation, Social & Emotional Learning, IEP Goals, Daily Physical Activity and Graphing

Wednesday, November 25, 2020

New Teacher Induction Program Session (NTIP) – Assessment and Evaluation and Equity (Holiday Inn Conference Centre)

- NTIP protégés will participate in a full day session.
- ½ day focused on Assessment and Evaluation
- ½ day focused on Equity – Session provided by the company unlearn

Wednesday, November 25th and Monday, November 30th, 2020

Mathematics Workshops (virtual)

- A series of math workshops are being provided throughout the year.

- After attending a total of any 8 board-facilitated math workshops this year, educators can receive a professional learning resource of their choice from available titles.
- Introduction to TVO mPower Webinar: Wednesday, November 25th from 3:45 - 4:30 p.m. TVO mPower includes online games to support students with mathematical content from K-6. It is free for Ontario students and includes a teacher dashboard to help monitor progress.
- Developing Numerical Fluency: Monday, November 30th from 3:45 - 4:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Thursday, November 26, 2020

Visio Divina Workshop (virtual)

- Visio Divina "sacred seeing" is an ancient form of Christian prayer in which we allow our hearts and imaginations to enter into a sacred image, in silence, to see what God might have to say to us. The workshop will be led by Les Miller. Les is retired as Religious Education, Family Life and Equity Coordinator with the York Catholic District School Board and then taught with OISE (University of Toronto), York University and Niagara University. He is an author and currently sits on the executive of Catholic Association of Religious and Family Life Educators of Ontario (CARFLEO).

The Report on Staff Development:
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**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
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PUBLIC SESSION

TITLE: CAPITAL PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT UPDATE

The Capital Projects Progress Report Update is presented for information.

Prepared by: Clark Euale, Controller of Facilities Services
Presented by: Clark Euale, Controller of Facilities Services
Approved by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer
Date: November 10, 2020



**REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2020
CAPITAL PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT UPDATE**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Individual progress reports for capital projects are presented as follows:

IN PROGRESS

Appendix A	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Elementary School – New Child Care
Appendix B	Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary School – Consolidated Monsignor Clancy/St. Charles Catholic Elementary School and New Child Care

The Capital Projects Progress Report Update is presented for information.

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CAPITAL PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

APPENDIX A

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Scope of Project: Design and construction of 3 child care room addition.

Current Status: Asphalt removal complete. Excavation for footings and foundation is underway.

Project Information:

New Area to be Constructed	4,865	sq. ft.
Child Care Spaces Added	49	spaces



Project Funding:

Child Care	2,254,668
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	\$2,254,668

Project Costs:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Paid</u>
Construction Contract	1,733,666	22,618
Fees & Disbursements	197,691	\$137,832
Other Project Costs	323,311	\$51,540
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	\$2,254,668	\$211,990

Project Timelines:

	<u>Scheduled Completion</u>	<u>Actual Completion</u>
Funding Approval	December 21, 2017	December 21, 2017
Ministry Approval (space)	March 2018	July 15, 2020
Architect Selection	July 17, 2018	July 17, 2018
Design Development	January 2019	September 24, 2019
Contract Documents		September 15, 2020
Tender & Approvals		July 2020
Ministry Approval (cost)		September 17, 2019
Ground Breaking Date	TBD	
Construction Start		October 01, 2020
Occupancy	September 2021	
Official Opening & Blessing		

Project Team:

Architect	Whiteline Architects Inc.
General Contractor	Bromac Construction
Project Manager	Tunde Labbancz
Superintendent	Gino Pizzoferrato
Principal	Domenic Massi



**NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
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NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

APPENDIX B

MONSIGNOR CLANCY CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Scope of Project: Design and construction of a consolidated Monsignor Clancy/St. Charles Catholic Elementary School and New Child Care.

Current Status: Asphalt removal complete. Interior demolition underway.

Project Information:

New Area to be Constructed	10,268 sq. ft.
Pupil Places Added	104 students
New Facility Capacity	677 students
Child Care Places Added	49 places



Project Funding:

Capital Priorities	3,482,495
Additional Capital Priorities	91,000
Child Care	1,557,887
	\$5,131,382

Project Costs:

	Budget	Paid
Construction Contract	4,651,382	16,032
Fees & Disbursements	430,000	375,402
Other Project Costs	50,000	46,897
	\$5,131,382	\$438,331

Project Timelines:

	<u>Scheduled Completion</u>	<u>Actual Completion</u>
Funding Approval	March 13, 2018	March 13, 2018
Ministry Approval (space)		July 2020
Architect Selection	July 19, 2018	July 2018
Design Development	September 25, 2018	September 2019
Contract Documents		September 15, 2020
Tender & Approvals		July 2020
Ministry Approval (cost)		August 29, 2019
Ground Breaking Date	TBD	
Construction Start		October 05, 2020
Occupancy	January 01, 2022	
Official Opening & Blessing		

Project Team:

Architect	Whiteline Architect Inc.
General Contractor	Bromac Construction
Project Manager	Tunde Labbancz
Superintendent	Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells
Principal	Dan Trainor

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

PUBLIC SESSION

**TITLE: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE SYSTEM PRIORITIES
2020-2021 UPDATE**

The Committee of the Whole System Priorities 2020-2021 update report is presented for information.

Prepared by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer
Senior Administrative Council

Presented by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer
Senior Administrative Council

Approved by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer

Date: November 10, 2020



**REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE SYSTEM PRIORITIES 2020-2021
UPDATE**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

At each month's Committee of the Whole meeting, the Director of Education and members of Senior Administrative Council will provide an update on the implementation of the annual Board approved System Priorities 2020-2021.

This monthly report will provide an opportunity for the continued engagement and dialogue with the Committee of the Whole on the status of the implementation of the annual System Priorities and Budget to support the Priorities.

The Committee of the Whole System Priorities 2020-2021 update report is presented for information.

Prepared by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer
Senior Administrative Council

Presented by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer
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Approved by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer

Date: November 10, 2020



VISION 2020

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
SYSTEM PRIORITIES 2020-2021 UPDATE



System Priorities 2020-2021

<p>Provide Supports for Success</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enhance career pathways for students that support individual pathway plans. Enhance career pathway planning and opportunities for all students. 2. Ensure that the principles of equity and inclusive education permeate policies, programs, procedures and practices within a Catholic context. 3. Employ mental health resources and supports to improve the achievement, resiliency and well-being of students. 4. Implement Board and School Bullying Prevention and Intervention Plans to support accepting, equitable and safe schools. 5. Implement the principles of Applied Behavioural Analysis to support student independence.
<p>Enhance Technology for Optimal Learning</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Promote the use of emerging technologies to support both student learning and staff professional development. 2. Improve WiFi access and capacity for all students in schools. 3. Implement Disaster Recovery Plan 4. Promote partnerships that align with merging social service models and needs.
<p>Building Partnerships and School Hubs</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nurture the Catholic identity of schools and the board to promote stronger Catholic values, virtues, and practices, highlighted through the annual theological theme. 2. Strengthen the Family-School-Church Triad. 3. Facilitate ongoing communication opportunities with parents/guardians to support student success.
<p>Strengthen Human Resource Practices and Develop Transformational Leadership</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enhance key professional development opportunities and resources for staff to build teacher capacity and efficacy for student success. 2. Facilitate ongoing Health, Safety and Wellness initiatives focused on employees returning to work.
<p>Create Equity and Accessibility of Resources</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enhance resource allocation to identified schools based on specific indicators.
<p>Ensuring Responsible Fiscal and Operational Management</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve our financial stewardship and improved transparency
<p>Address Changing Demographics</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update the Long Term Accommodation Plan. 2. Enhance community partners to access space in schools.

1. Provide Supports for Success

Implemented & In-Progress

1.1 Enhance career pathways for students that support individual pathway plans. Enhance career pathway planning and opportunities for all students.

- i. Further implementation of MyBlueprint career planning software as part of student programming in Grades 7-12.
- ii. Provide education to students, parents and staff on education and career potential in all pathways: apprenticeship, workplace, university, college, vocation and Community Living.

- The myBlueprint portfolio will be presented as part of the PD Day on November 18th as a tool for Assessment and Evaluation. This is to further support Secondary teachers with ongoing assessment and evaluation practices due to the octomester. (1.1.i)
- This PD will also bring additional focus to myBlueprint's portfolio as a career pathway planning tool. (1.1.i)
- myBlueprint user data is being collected monthly to understand user patterns and for future planning purposes. (1.1.i)
- The NCDSB plan for the Individual Pathways Plan (IPP) through myBlueprint will be reviewed this year. (1.1.i)

1.2 Ensure that the principles of equity and inclusive education permeate policies, programs, procedures and practices within a Catholic context.

- i. That the principles of equity and inclusive education inform Board and School Improvement Plans for Student Achievement and Well-Being, and that policies, programs, procedures and practices support the diverse needs of students.

1. Provide Supports for Success

Implemented & In-Progress

1.3 *Employ mental health resources and supports to improve the achievement, resiliency and well-being of students.*

- i. That the Board's Mental Health Strategy and Action Plan for 2020-2021 align with School-Mental Health Ontario and Board resources and supports.

Mental Health Resources to improve the achievement, resiliency and well-being of students.

1. Implementation of evidence-informed mental health programming, for prevention, promotion and awareness. This is implemented at the school level, and includes Zones of Regulation, Roots of Empathy, MindUp, and Ever-fi modules, delivered by Child and Youth Workers.
2. Professional development has been provided by the Mental Health Lead and Team for all staff focusing on trauma sensitive schools, managing anxiety and how to access supports for students.
3. Embedding mental health literacy in all Faith Formation activities, led by the Chaplaincy team at the school level. The focus is on having conversations about how our faith and mental health are linked, and coping strategies for stressful situations.
4. Implementing a new 3-year Board Mental Health and Well-being Strategy for 2020-2023 and Action Plan for 2020-2021 aligned with School Mental-Health Ontario and Board resources in partnership with public health and community agencies, such as Pathstone Mental Health.

Mental Health Supports: Mental Health Team/ personnel, and other supports to improve the achievement, resiliency and well-being of students.

1. Increase in the Social Work team (8 clinical Social Workers) to provide in-person and virtual therapy for students with mental health issues (both in school and for students learning virtually) for elementary and secondary schools and alternative programs.
2. Increase in the Child and Youth Worker Team, to provide some crisis management, and prevention/awareness/promotion programming at the school level.
3. Implementation of a support model for schools with positive Covid-19 cases:
 - The Mental Health Lead will reach out to the principal by email to reinforce the ability to consult and to share EAP and counselling resources available to staff.
 - The Mental Health Lead will support the pre-return meeting for staff the day before isolated staff and students return to school.
4. Implementation of a grief and bereavement support model in collaboration with the Chaplaincy Team.

1. Provide Supports for Success	Implemented & In-Progress
<p>1.4 Implement Board and School Bullying Prevention and Intervention Plans to support accepting, equitable and safe schools.</p> <p>i. That the Board and School Bullying Prevention and Intervention Plans for 2020-2021 align with the Ministry of Education initiatives and Board policies.</p>	
<p>1.5 Implement the principles of Applied Behavioural Analysis to support student independence.</p> <p>i. Provide supports to staff and students through the further implementation of the Applied Behaviour Analysis Team, continue to develop Staff Capacity and promote student independence</p>	<p>ABA to support student independence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ABA Supervisors and Facilitators continue to build system capacity by providing student specific intervention when required. • ABA staff provide Tier 1 intervention – “necessary for some....good for all” model. General strategies are shared and modeled for school staff on an individual or staff basis. • Feb. 2020 – PD day focused on ABA strategies for Educational Assistants • Summer camp was offered in Aug. 2020 for 5 days servicing students on the spectrum. • Increase and reorganization of ABA Team: 1 Behaviour Analyst (Clinical Supervisor), 3 ABA Leads & 8 ABA Facilitators using a tiered approach to service. • Programs have been offered for after-school and during summer school. • Parent/Staff online presentations during school closure in partnership with Bethesda.

2. Enhance Technology for Optimal Learning

Implemented & In-Progress

2.1 Promote the use of emerging technologies to support both student learning and staff professional development.

- i. Comprehensive review of distant learning service delivery model and experiences during COVID-19.
- ii. Explore opportunities for new secondary course offerings that use digital platforms to deliver teacher-led virtual learning.
- iii. Promote use of Brightspace parent portal to include all elementary schools.
- iv. Expand pilot for deployment of additional endpoint devices for early learning and primary division.
- v. Facilitate technology inventory to update and acquire technology licenses that best reflect the needs of both academic programming and corporate applications.
- vi. Implement software platforms to improve workflow processes where possible.
- vii. SEA-IT Program (an online ordering platform) is being used to facilitate the order SEA equipment.
- viii. Implement Elite Program to facilitate a digital referral process.

- Teachers at the Elementary Virtual school are delivering Ontario curriculum using whole group, small group, and individual instruction, using the NCVLE and Google Platform. (2.1.i)
- Teachers are using a wide variety of instructional tools such as slides, video recordings, charts, and teacher created materials.(2.1.i)
- Total enrolment for the Elementary Virtual School - 2527; total number of classes – 101. (2.1.i)
- The Secondary Virtual school delivery model is delivering program using Brightspace primarily, some are using Google Classroom and Google Meet. (2.1.ii)
- Total enrolment for the Secondary Virtual School -1080 as of September 25th. (2.1.ii)
- SEA-iT has been implemented and set-up to meet the needs of Niagara Catholic students. (2.1.vii)
- SEA-iT is our online platform that initiates, manages and tracks SEA equipment access for students. (2.1.vii)
- The initial training was conducted Oct. 2019. (2.1.vii)
- Refresher training will be offered at an upcoming new ERT meeting for those who want to attend. (2.1.vii)
- eLite offers a multi-use suite of tools to support staff across the system in documenting case conferences, SBT summaries and tracking, and an electronic Request for Student Support submission process. (2.1.viii)
- Student Support Area Team members will now be able to document their consultation and recommendations on Requests for Student Support through eLite and make them available to the student's school team. (2.1.viii)
- ERT/Principal training is taking place on Oct. 14-15 that will begin system wide implementation. (2.1.viii)

2. Enhance Technology for Optimal Learning

Implemented & In-Progress

2.2 *Improve WiFi access and capacity for all students in schools.*

- i. Modernization project that will result in high speed internet.

2.3 *Implement Disaster Recovery Plan*

- i. Invest in a level of redundancy for key platforms to allow operations to continue.

3. Building Partnerships and School Hubs

Implemented & In-Progress

3.1 Nurture the Catholic identity of schools and the board to promote stronger Catholic values, virtues, and practices, highlighted through the annual theological theme.

- i. Staff engagement in faith development opportunities.
- ii. Student engagement in faith development opportunities.
- iii. Enhance and promote the collaboration and integration of faith and mental health resources and supports.
- iv. Enhance opportunities for shared professional development between parish and school staff.

- Faith Day (Sept 2020) Virtual Retreat focused on the theological theme “Seeds of Faith: Mission” and the importance of spiritual self-care in order to fulfill our mission in Catholic Education to spread the Good News. (3.1.i)
- Early stages of developing additional virtual staff retreats and faith formation webinar series. (3.1.i)
- Expanded elementary mini retreat program to include all classes from K-7 in addition to the grade 8 Journey Retreat (this includes virtual retreats for students attending the Virtual School- these will be facilitated in the spring. (3.1.ii)
- Inclusion of a mental health component in all elementary and secondary retreats through collaboration with Board Mental Health Lead and Secondary CYWs. (3.1.ii)
- Joint Professional Activity Day focusing on positive self care promoting annual theological theme (2020-2021: Mission) through retreat and mental health training. (3.1.iii)
- Inclusion of a mental health component in all school retreats led by the Chaplaincy team (K-8: 9 & 12). (3.1.iii)
- Combined Chaplaincy and Mental Health support for grief and bereavement of staff or students in schools. (3.1.iii)

3.2 Strengthen the Family-School-Church Triad.

- i. Encourage students, staff, family engagement with their local parish and pastors throughout the Diocese of St. Catharines.

- Collaboration with the diocese of St. Catharines to develop sacramental preparation classes through the NCVLE to assist parishes in preparing students for the sacraments due to current health and safety restrictions impacting group gathering capabilities.
- Chaplaincy Leaders and school administrators collaborating with local pastors to maintain the sacramental life of the school including virtual class visits and live-streamed or pre-recorded Mass.
- Developing a Virtual Chapel for the Board which will be accessible to students, staff, families, and the broader community through the board website and NCVLE.

3. Building Partnerships and School Hubs

Implemented & In-Progress

3.3 *Facilitate ongoing communication opportunities with parents/guardians to support student success.*

- i. Provide parents/guardians of secondary students access to real-time attendance/marks through the Maplewood parent portal.
- ii. Promote Catholic School Councils, activities and membership to represent school communities.
- iii. Provide on-going parent/guardian learning opportunities in the use of digital learning platforms to support their children at home

4. Strengthen Human Resource Practices and Develop Transformational Leadership

Implemented & In-Progress

4.1 Enhance key professional development opportunities and resources for staff to build teacher capacity and efficacy for student success.

- i. Promote and support opportunities in achievement of Additional Qualifications, specifically in the areas of French, Mathematics and teaching and learning through e-learning, and additional Mental Health support.
- ii. Promote ongoing and various opportunities for staff to become familiar with NCVLE, Google Classroom and Brightspace technologies to provide ongoing support for students beyond the classroom instruction.
- iii. Promote the active use of the Professional Development Calendar and links to job-embedded professional development on NCVLE for all employee groups which extend beyond the Professional Activity Days.
- iv. Enhance professional development for staff as a result of the learning during COVID-19.
- v. Develop staff capacity to implement practices that honour and engage Indigenous perspectives to provide Indigenous learners with culturally responsive supports.

4. Strengthen Human Resource Practices and Develop Transformational Leadership

Implemented & In-Progress

4.2 Facilitate ongoing Health, Safety and Wellness initiatives focused on employees returning to work.

- i. Promote the Use of Applied Behaviour Analysis Principles in the learning environment.
- ii. Making employees aware of the components of a safe working environment including strategies such as; Facilitating Joint Health and Safety Inspections at school sites upon the return of staff and students.
- iii. Monitor and communicate Workplace Violence data received from Online Reporting Tool through Health and Safety memos to all staff and through the provision of data for Joint Health and Safety Inspections.
- iv. Continue to provide staff with strategies to work from home in a safe manner.
- v. Through the shared ownership of the Staff Wellness Committee, develop a plan to integrate the needs of staff to meet their overall wellness. The definition of wellness will be defined within the parameters of the Committee.

5. Create Equity and Accessibility of Resources

Implemented & In-Progress

5.1 *Enhance resource allocation to identified schools based on specific indicators.*

- i. Review and further enhance equity of resources to identify schools, including human resources, to provide programs, supports and services to meet the needs of students and staff.
- ii. Review Board and School data in 2020-2021 to inform decisions for human and material resource allocation.
- iii. Enhance what is currently being used to engage individuals while utilizing current resources.

6. Ensuring Responsible Fiscal and Operational Management

Implemented & In-Progress

6.1 *Improve our financial stewardship and improved transparency*

- i. Improve and increase capacity in our internal financial reporting for management.
- ii. Improve ministry reporting and internal reliance data
- iii. Continue to optimize our cash management strategy

- Preliminary launch to key stakeholders, while continuing to expand the capabilities of Jet Reports. This priority has improved our internal financial management reporting for programs and services. Offering a timely, relevant and reliable monthly reporting tool for management to monitor and track financial activity. (6.1.i)
- Continue to ensure compliance and reporting to the ministry of education through data internal auditing procedures and continued professional development for staff. (6.1.ii)
- Monitoring our monthly cash flow position to optimize interest revenue and ensure a flexible strategy between short-term and long-term investments to allow for ease of liquidity. (6.1.iii)

7. Address Changing Demographics	Implemented & In-Progress
<p>7.1 <i>Update the Long Term Accommodation Plan</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Use updated enrolment to optimize school utilization throughout the system to address capacity issues as per Ministry Pupil Accommodation Review. ii. Throughout the updating of the Long Term Accommodation Plan, through a transparent process, dialogue and input will be invited from all stakeholders, including students, staff, parents, pastors and community partners. 	
<p>7.2 <i>Enhance community partners to access space in schools</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Engage community organizations. 	

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

PUBLIC SESSION

TITLE: PLANNING TIME

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve that for the 2021-2022 school year and onward, French language instruction be removed from Grades 1 to 3 and replaced by a Primary Team Member teaching position that provides instruction for Health and Physical Education and Science, as presented.

Prepared by: Kimberly Kinney, Superintendent of Education

Presented by: Kimberly Kinney, Superintendent of Education

Recommended by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer

Date: November 10, 2020



REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE NOVEMBER 10, 2020

PLANNING TIME

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Alignment to System Priorities 2020-2021

This report is linked to the Board Strategic Direction – Advance Student Achievement for all. Specifically the Enabling Strategies – Provide Supports for Success, Strengthen Human Resource Practices and Develop Transformational Leadership, Create Equity and Accessibility of Resources, and Ensure Responsible Fiscal and Operational Management.

Purpose

The Niagara Catholic District School Board’s investment in programming and staffing of curriculum areas supports the advancement of student achievement for all. NCDSB is one of many school boards in the province that faces challenges attracting and retaining qualified French teaching staff. The purpose of this report is to investigate current programming areas and their associated staffing and recommend options that maintain a strong curriculum program focus as well as address staffing issues related to current Board offerings.

This report addresses three specific areas: planning time for primary teachers currently achieved through French as a Second Language (FSL) instruction, Itinerant Art programming (music) and the French Immersion Program

The proposed plan addresses:

Stress on the system as a result of shortages in acquiring and maintaining qualified staff in the area of French language instruction.

Curriculum areas that can be supported in the Primary Division

Efficiencies that can be attained through reduction in significant travel expenses for the Board

Improved staff working environment achieved through connection to “home” school

Background Information

The NCDSB acknowledges and recognizes that:

“Teaching and learning French, as one of Canada’s two official languages, is recognized and valued as an integral component of Ontario’s education system. Recognizing the inherent benefits of studying languages and the importance for all students to develop proficiency in both official

languages of Canada, the ministry values the accomplishments of all students, be they in Core French, Extended French, or French Immersion programs. All students in Ontario's English-language schools study FSL and are made aware of the benefits of studying FSL from elementary to secondary school and beyond. The importance attached to FSL is reflected in the resources and learning experiences available to students as well as in the opportunities provided for professional learning. FSL educators are valued both as experts in second-language learning and teaching and as influential role models for students." FSL In Ontario: A Call to Action p. 10

Further: Core French Instruction

- The Core French program must provide a minimum of 600 hours of French by the end of Grade 8.
- The Ontario curriculum document provides grade-specific expectations for Grades 4 to 8.
- All students from Grades 4 to 8 take Core French* unless they are enrolled in Extended French or French Immersion – p. 41
- Core French instruction is **optional** up until Grade 4
- Students achieve the required hours of French with daily instruction of FSL (40 minutes/day) from Grades 4-8

Primary French

Currently, NCDSB provides planning time to teachers (Grades 1-3) primarily through FSL instruction. French language instruction in the primary grades is optional and is not required until Grade 4. The Ministry of Education does not fund Core French language instruction in the primary grades therefore NCDSB receives no funds to support this curriculum offering. As such, the Ministry does not provide curriculum for Core French in the primary grades as they do from Grades 4-8 or French Immersion Grades 1-8. NCDSB uses a curriculum that was written by a group of six Eastern Ontario School Boards (Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic School Board, Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario, Limestone District School Board, Ottawa-Carleton District School Board, Renfrew County District School Board and Upper Canada District School Board) based on the Ontario Curriculum: French as a Second Language, Core French - Grades 4-8, Extended French - Grades 4-8, French Immersion - Grades 1-8, 2013.

Students receive daily French instruction for one period each day. Providing French instruction in the primary grades presents the Board with challenges of recruiting and retaining the required number of qualified staff that support Core French in Grades 4-8 and French Immersion K-8. As French positions are staffed within the primary division, the junior and intermediate division and requiring specific qualifications for teaching staff, many French teachers within the Board find themselves travelling between two or more schools to teach. This often leaves teaching staff feeling disconnected from any one school, unable to build or maintain relationships with students and families as well as other school staff. Many teachers currently enrolled in the FSL Part 1 Course convey they will look elsewhere for jobs that are offered as 1.0 positions at one location.

In addition to the significant amount of time daily and weekly required to provide French programming in the primary grades, which reduces the amount of time available for required core subjects, there is also great stress on the system to staff the program with qualified teaching staff. Acquiring and retaining French teachers for the system to offer primary, junior/intermediate French as well as French Immersion is extremely difficult. The Board regularly advertises employment opportunities for French teachers but is in direct competition with other school boards who are also seeking qualified applicants.

While the benefits of learning a second language are known, the time dedicated to daily French in the primary grades relates to less time available for required curriculum areas, including Literacy and Numeracy as well as Religion and Family Life.

A randomly selected sample of timetables from primary classrooms across a number of schools reveals inconsistent amounts of dedicated time to several core subjects as indicated by the chart below to the left. The right side provides suggested minutes per curriculum subject area.

Current Model and Minutes	Suggested Minutes
<p>Religion for 21 minutes a day four times per week</p> <p>Family Life not indicated on schedules</p> <p>Literacy and Numeracy blocks interrupted</p> <p>No physical education scheduled, physical education scheduled once per week.</p> <p>No Daily Physical Activity - 20 minutes required daily.</p> <p>Blocks indicated Science/Social Studies/Arts combined and not more than three times a week</p>	<p>Religion and Family Life - 40 minutes per day (Religion 4 days, Family Life 1 day)</p> <p>Literacy - 100 minutes uninterrupted daily (Junior/Intermediate 60 minutes)</p> <p>Numeracy 60 minutes uninterrupted daily</p> <p>Physical Education - 80 minutes per week (integrate health)</p> <p>Science - 120 minutes per week</p> <p>Social Studies - 120 minutes per week - integrate with Literacy</p> <p>DPA - 20 minutes daily (unless physical education scheduled)</p> <p>Arts - 120 minutes per week</p>

Itinerant Art

In 2008/2009 planning time for teachers was increased from 200 to 240 minutes of planning time per week. As a result of this change School Boards adopted various models of providing the additional 40 minutes per week – including an Itinerant Art model. NCDSB continues to employ this model to provide additional planning time to all teachers from Kindergarten to Grade 8.

Currently, an Itinerant Art Schedule is created at the beginning of the year calculating the number of periods of additional planning time required per school. This amount of time is provided over concentrated blocks of time rather than at regular, planned weekly periods. Itinerant Art teachers are assigned to three to four schools and provide music instruction to all classes in the school. This model requires a significant amount of time and effort to schedule and create equitable timetables. Changes are not easily made, if necessary, creating concern for equitable programming for all schools and students. The Itinerant Art model results in significant travel for staff with fewer opportunities for Itinerant Art staff to develop relationships with students and staff at a “home” school. There are challenges filling vacancies for Itinerant Music positions as they arise through the school year.

Travel

NCDSB covers a large geographic area and is home to many small schools. Small schools do provide a sense of family and community but alongside that are the challenges of staffing and efficiency. The large geographic area of NCDSB also adds an additional consideration when staffing schools. With the numerous technical challenges that are presented to the Board, an updated model of programming and staffing is suggested that would benefit students, staff, and the Board.

Under the current model of providing primary French programming and an Itinerant Art model, NCDSB has significant costs associated with teachers travelling between schools within the day. Using data from 2019/2020 there were 53.11 French teachers who travelled between schools. Teachers who travel between schools spend the equivalent of at least one period moving from one school to another - this is time not spent in front of students. In addition to time taken away from students there are also costs associated with mileage for travel. This is, in fact, a double cost to the system.

In 2019/2020 travel between schools equated to the equivalent of 8.92 full time teaching positions for a cost of approximately **\$858,104.00** (does not include 11% for benefits).

The related mileage expenses for travel totaled **\$15,384.00** representing 30,859km.**

** This amount reflects the period of time from September 2019 to March 2020, prior to school closure due to COVID-19.

2021/2022 Proposed Program Delivery

- French language instruction is removed from Grades 1-3 and replaced with programming provided by a Primary Team Member (PTM) teaching, assessing, evaluating and reporting to two curriculum areas - Science and Technology and Health and Physical Education. This provides 200 minutes of planning time per week (5 X 40 minutes)
- In Kindergarten, the PTM provides 240 minutes of planning time per week. They are part of the Kindergarten team and continue with the flow of the day.
- A school based planning time teacher, who may be the PTM, can be assigned the additional planning time minutes (40 per week) that are required for Grades 1-8 to fulfill the requirement for 240 minutes per week. This may be achieved through an arts strand.

This model allows for focused curriculum programming and time for required subject areas, optimizes time for individual teachers in one school for a greater number of teachers, shifts FSL teachers from primary to more effectively support FSL in the junior and intermediate divisions across all elementary schools as well as French Immersion classes at French Immersion sites.

To reiterate, under the current program delivery and staffing model, numerous teachers travel to two, or more, schools every day. In many schools multiple staff cover smaller portions of positions, as shown in an example below. The proposed model provides targeted instruction for students and improved environments for teachers as they belong to one school community and travel less.

Current (2019-2020)		Proposed	
K-3	14 Teachers	K-3	14 Teachers
4-8	9.5 Teachers (VP 0.5)	4-8	9.5 Teachers
Breakdown		Breakdown	
K P&P	0.83 FTE 0.33 0.17 0.33	PTM	K - 1.0 FTE 1-3 1.5 FTE
FSL	2.67 FTE - 0.5	FSL	1.57 FTE 4-8

	0.16 1.0 0.34 0.67		
Arts	0.67 FTE	Extra PT	0.5 (18 periods/week)
TOTAL PREP TEACHERS REQUIRED	4.17	TOTAL PREP TEACHERS REQUIRED	4.57
TOTAL FSL TEACHERS	2.67 required (5 teachers)	TOTAL FSL TEACHERS	1.57
Travel	4 travel FSL 1 travel P&P	Travel	1 travel FSL
Amount of time and funds lost to travel	\$81,770 (0.17 X \$96,200) X 5 5 periods per day	Amount of time and funds lost to travel	\$16,354 (0.17 X \$96,200) x 5 1 period per day

Benefits to Moving to School-Directed Prep Coverage and PTMs:

- **Consistency for staff and students:** staff members stay at the same schools year to year, build rapport with staff and students, create and build program that they can develop and expand (ie.; build an arts/music program), staff can provide support in a variety of ways.
- **Reduced travel:** strategic school based organization of teaching staff results in reduced travel and travel related expenses
- **Wider scope of subject area coverage:** less dependent on FSL-qualified teachers, more collaboration between PTM and staff to build programs and to support each other instead of being in isolation.
- **Retention of FSL staff:** FSL staff would be willing to remain in French because they would be a part of a school community and could promote and celebrate the importance of French as a Second Language within the school community.

Considerations for French Immersion

In Niagara Catholic the greatest challenge for delivering a viable French Immersion program stems from the ability to staff these classrooms with qualified French teachers.

According to the Ministry of Education, Ontario:

- The French Immersion program must provide a minimum of 3800 hours of French by the end of Grade 8.
- A minimum of 50 per cent of all instruction is provided in French.
- As research indicates that a student's level of proficiency in French increases with the number of accumulated hours of instruction in French, many French Immersion programs exceed the minimum requirement.

- The Ontario curriculum document provides grade-specific expectations for Grades 1 to 8.
- School boards have the flexibility to start French Immersion in the primary years or later.
- Students are taught French as a subject and French serves as the language of instruction in two or more other subjects.
- An immersion program starting in Grade 1 generally provides instruction in French in all subjects (i.e., for 100 per cent of total instructional time) until Grade 3 or 4.
- Boards have the flexibility to decide which subjects will be taught in French and in which grade English instruction will begin.
- Students follow the same curriculum for the other subjects taught in French as their peers in English-language programs. Language, 2006 between Grade 3 or 4 and Grade 8.

The current instructional model in NCDSB for French Immersion is as follows:

Grade	% of French Instruction	% of English Instruction
Kindergarten, Grade 1	90% Math, Science, Social Studies, Visual Arts, Drama, Dance, Health and Phys. Ed, French as a Second Language(FSL)	10% Religion, Music, and Language Arts
Grade 2, Grade 3	85% Math, Science, Social Studies, Visual Arts, Drama, Dance Health & Phys. Ed. FSL	15% Religion, Music, Language Arts
Grade 4, Grade 5	75% Math, Social Studies, Visual Arts, Drama, Dance, Health & Phys. Ed, FSL	25% Religion, Science, Music, Health & Phys. Ed, Language Arts
Grade 6, 7, 8	50% Social Studies, Visual Arts, Drama, Dance, FSL	50% Math, Religion, Science, Music, Phys. Ed & Health, Language Arts

Considerations for French Immersion moving forward 2021/2022:

Staffing issues

Our greatest challenge for delivering a viable French Immersion program stems from the ability to staff these classrooms with qualified French teachers.

Move to a consistent start to French Immersion – currently there are two school sites that begin in Grade 1 and three school sites that begin in Kindergarten. Removing French from Primary would allow for a **consistent entry point of Kindergarten in all five French Immersion sites which would avoid confusion and provide equity of program access.**

Move to a 50% model beginning in Grade 5 that would address the stresses of hiring qualified French teachers. One qualified French teacher teaches 2 grades (classes) in a day along with a teaching partner who teaches the English portion of the day.

Model remains the same for Grades 1-4

	50% French	50% English
Grades 5-8	Social Studies, Visual Arts, Drama, Dance, FSL	Math, Religion, Science, Music, Health & Phys. Ed., Language Arts

Conclusion/Recommendations

At the heart of NCDSB’s Strategic Direction is the desire to “Advance Student Achievement For All”. It is recommended that for the 2021/2022 school year and onward, French language instruction is removed from Grades 1-3 and replaced by a Primary Team Member teaching position that provides instruction for Health and Physical Education and Science. The Primary team Member also provides the full complement of planning time for Kindergarten classes. The additional planning time required previously provided by Itinerant Arts is covered in-school through the PTM. The proposed model for curriculum programming in Primary ensures that additional time and targeted instruction is in place for all students. When French instruction begins at Grade 4 students still acquire the required number of French Instruction minutes by the end of Grade 8. The proposed model also allows for improved working conditions for an increased number of staff as they are more closely associated with one school and school community as opposed to being assigned to multiple sites where they do not have the same opportunities to become integral members of the school. Efficiencies to the system, which can be reinvested in the system, can be obtained through reductions associated with the cost of staff travel between schools. Finally, the proposed model reduces the strain of staffing programs that require qualified French teachers while enhancing the French Immersion program.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve that for the 2021-2022 school year and onward, French language instruction be removed from Grades 1 to 3 and replaced by a Primary Team Member teaching position that provides instruction for Health and Physical Education and Science, as presented.

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Presented by: Kimberly Kinney, Superintendent of Education

Recommended by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer

Date: November 10, 2020

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2020**

PUBLIC SESSION

TITLE: ACCOUNTABILITY FINANCIAL REPORT 2020-2021

The Accountability Financial Report 2020-2021 report is presented for information.

Prepared by: Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business and Financial Services

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Approved by: Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer

Date: November 10, 2020



REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE NOVEMBER 10, 2020

ACCOUNTABILITY FINANCIAL REPORT 2020-2021

BACKGROUND

Recognizing that COVID-19 has created new demands for infrastructure investments, a new, time limited COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream (CVRIS) is being introduced under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) to provide up to \$700 million in combined federal-provincial funding for education-related infrastructure projects.

Eligible Projects

Eligible projects are those where the purpose of the project is to build, modify, repair and/or reconfigure the asset to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and provide a public benefit. These projects should focus on fixed tangible capital assets intended for public use and/or benefit that fall under one of the following themes:

- Promoting occupant health and safety;
- Improving facility condition (e.g., optimize air quality and water refilling stations that also improve access to safe drinking water);
- Enhancing physical distancing; and
- Facilitating distance learning (e.g., network and broadband infrastructure).

Project Criteria

The following criteria must also be satisfied for project expenditures to be considered eligible:

- The project must not be receiving funding under another federal or provincial program.
- Individual projects cannot exceed \$10 million in total eligible costs.
- The project must not have been tendered before the federal government approves the project.
- Construction must have commenced by September 30, 2021. However, recognizing that school boards tend to undertake renewal activity in July and August during the summer break, school boards are encouraged to start projects earlier.
- Construction must be substantially complete by December 31, 2021.
- Projects must be in schools that will remain open and operating until January 1, 2027.
- Capital application deadline is November 18, 2020

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