



Niagara Catholic District School Board

**NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
EDUCATION AWARD OF DISTINCTION POLICY**

STATEMENT OF POLICY

100 - Board

Policy No 100.7

Adopted Date: October 26, 2004

Latest Reviewed/Revised Date: December 18, 2012

In keeping with the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara Catholic District School Board , the Board believes in the importance of recognizing individuals and groups who have made/or continue to make outstanding contributions to Catholic Education in the Niagara Region.

In honour of these contributions the Niagara Catholic District School Board has established an award known as the “Niagara Catholic Education Award of Distinction”.

Annually, these individuals or groups may be recognized with this prestigious honour.

The Director of Education will issue Administrative Guidelines for the implementation of this policy.



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ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

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The following administrative guidelines have been established to meet the requirements of the Board's policy on the Niagara Catholic Education Award of Distinction.

A Wall of Distinction is erected in a prominent location in the foyer of the Catholic Education Centre, to publicly proclaim the Board's esteem for those who have provided outstanding contributions to Catholic Education in the Niagara Region.

## ELIGIBILITY

Any individual or group (school, parish, home, community) who has participated in, or contributed to the growth of Catholic Education in the Niagara Region.

## CRITERIA

Nominees must have:

- Made a notable, significant and positive contribution to Catholic Education in the Niagara Region over a sustained period of time;
- Demonstrated recognized leadership that has had an identifiable impact and has made a significant difference to the Catholic character of the Board
- The fundamental, all-pervasive quality that distinguishes our schools as Catholic schools.
- Believing that education in the faith is possible in every aspect of school life.
- Striving to build community and the ideal of the Christian community among Catholic schools and the Niagara Catholic District School Board and the Diocese.
- Accompanying and guiding students on their faith journey which is our most sacred responsibility.
- Demonstrated tangible sacrifice for Catholic Education;
- Inspired Catholic Education in the Niagara Region.

## NOMINATION PROCESS

1. Each year, nominations will be invited from the public at large (through newspaper advertisements, forms available at the CEC, the schools and on the Board's website. Nominations will also be sent to the Parishes, Catholic School Councils, Diocesan Office, and groups such as past and present leaders of the Board).
2. *Nomination Forms* will require detailed documentation and substantiation of a nominee's contribution to Catholic Education in Niagara. This may include input from the group being nominated.
3. Each nomination will require the signed endorsement of three individuals.
4. Nominations must be sent to the Manager of Corporate Services and Communications Services, who will forward them to the designated Superintendent of Education.

5. Nominations must be received by the Manager of Corporate Communication and Communications Services at the Catholic Education Centre as announced on the Nomination Form.

## **SELECTION COMMITTEE**

Each fall, the Director will establish a Niagara Catholic Award of Distinction Selection Committee, which will consist of the following members:

- The Chairperson of the Board or his/her designate
- The Vice-Chairperson of the Board or his/her designate
- The Director of Education or his/her designate
- The Bishop or his designate
- A Superintendent of Education
- An Elementary Principal
- A Secondary Principal
- Board Chaplaincy Leader
- Up to three additional members as selected by the Director, in consultation with Senior Administrative Council. The Chairperson of the Board, or designate, will be the Chairperson of the Selection Committee.

The Selection Committee will review all submissions and arrive at a final decision. Once the Committee makes a decision, it will be promptly communicated to the Board through the Director of Education.

## **PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD**

1. The Award will be announced and presented annually. The recipient(s) will also be publicized through the local media.
2. The Award will consist of a commemorative plaque which will be presented to the recipient. A permanent acknowledgment plaque will also be placed on the Wall of Distinction. Recipients will be invited to view the commemorative plaques on the Wall of Distinction.



NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

# THE NIAGARA CATHOLIC EDUCATION AWARD OF DISTINCTION NOMINATION FORM

FOR THE YEAR \_\_\_\_\_

*This information is being collected pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and under the Authority of The Education Act., and will be used to identify nominees for The Niagara Catholic Education Award of Distinction. Questions about this collection should be directed to Frank Iannantuono, Superintendent of Education, Niagara Catholic District School Board, 427 Rice Road, Welland, Ontario, L3C 7C1 905-735-0240*

## NOMINEE

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	GROUP NAME (if applicable)
STREET ADDRESS		
CITY	POSTAL CODE	TELEPHONE

## NOMINATED BY

FULL NAME	PHONE NUMBER
ADDRESS	SIGNATURE

See Contribution to Catholic Education form to be completed on reverse

## ENDORSED BY

1	FULL NAME	PHONE NUMBER
	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE
2	FULL NAME	PHONE NUMBER
	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE
3	FULL NAME	PHONE NUMBER
	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE

DATE OF SUBMISSION \_\_\_\_\_

**TO BE FORWARDED TO  
THE MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES AND COMMUNICATIONS NO LATER THAN  
NOVEMBER 30th**

**CONTRIBUTION TO CATHOLIC EDUCATION FORM**

*(not to exceed one page)*

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