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| NCDSB-logo-v2aNiagara Catholic District School Board***FINANCIAL INVESTMENT***ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES |
| **600 – Business Services**  | **No: 600.7**  |
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In keeping with the Mission, Vision and Values of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, the following are Administrative Operational Procedures for Financial Investment.

**PREAMBLE**

The Board when investing public funds, is responsible for ensuring financial stewardship and integrity through an effectual investment strategy.

In accordance with legislation, the Board may invest its surplus funds in securities prescribed under the *Education Act*, O. Reg. 41/10 – Part IV Eligible Investments. The Board will endeavour to achieve a positive rate of return to minimize the risk associated with investments by ensuring that the Board is compliant with the *Education Act,* while maintaining sufficient liquidity.

**DEFINITIONS**

Surplus Cash Balances – the amount of funds held within centrally managed accounts. This does not apply to fund balances held by schools.

**Eligible Investments**

**S**ection 241 of the Education Act states that:

1. The Board does not have the power to invest in a security other than a security prescribed under O. Reg. 41/10, s. 8.
2. The Board shall not invest in a security that is expressed or payable in any currency other than Canadian dollars. O. Reg. 41/10, s. 11 (1).

All investment activity requires the written approval by the Director of Education and Superintendent of Business and Financial Services with an annual written report to the Board.

**Management Methodology**

The investment objectives of the Board shall, in order of priority, be as follows:

1. Adherence to statutory requirements by the *Education Act*
2. Preservation of capital
3. Maintenance of liquidity
4. Competitive rate of return on investments commensurate with constraints in (1).

The Superintendent of Business and Financial Services will provide an annual information report to the Board on the status of any financial investments.

***References***

* [***Education Act, Ontario Regulation 41/10***](https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/100041)

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