



*The Niagara Catholic District School Board through  
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, SEPTEMBER 15, 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 Burkholder                                       | -    |
| 2. Roll Call   | -    |
| 3. Approval of the Agenda  | -    |
| 4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest                                       | -    |
| 5. Approval of Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 9, 2020 | A5   |
| 6. Consent Agenda Items  | -    |
| 6.1 Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities      | A6.1 |
| 6.2 Capital Projects Progress Report Update                                  | A6.2 |
| 6.3 In Camera Items F1 and F3  | -    |

### **B. PRESENTATIONS**

### **C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

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| 1. Director of Education and Senior Staff Introduction to the 2020-2021 School Year and Niagara Catholic Reopening Plan Updates | C1 |
| 2. Accountability Financial Report as of August 31, 2020  | C2 |
| 3. Monthly Updates  |    |
| 3.1 Student Senate Update   | -  |
| 3.2 Senior Staff Good News Update   | -  |

### **D. INFORMATION**

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| 1. Trustee Information  |      |
| 1.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – June 23, 2020                 | D1.1 |
| 1.2 Calendar of Events – September 2020                           | D1.2 |
| 1.3 OCSTA 2020 Fall Regional Virtual Meeting – September 22, 2020 | D1.3 |

**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  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**

*PUBLIC SESSION*

**TOPIC: MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
MEETING OF JUNE 9, 2020**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 9, 2020, as presented.



# MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

## TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020

Minutes of the Meeting of the Electronic Committee of the Whole of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. by Vice-Chair Sicoli.

### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayer was led by Trustee Moody.

2. Roll Call

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

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder		✓		
Kathy Burtnik		✓		
Frank Fera		✓		
Larry Huibers		✓		
Daniel Moody		✓		
Leanne Prince		✓		
Dino Sicoli		✓		
Paul Turner		✓		
<b>Student Trustees</b>				
Jade Bilodeau		✓		
Luca DiPietro		✓		

Vice-Chair Sicoli welcomed Sydney Yott, incoming Student Trustee 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 to the Committee of the Whole meeting.

The following staff were electronically in attendance:

**John Crocco**, Director of Education; **Yolanda Baldasaro**, **Ted Farrell**, **Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells**, **Frank Iannantuono**, **Pat Rocca**, Superintendents of Education; **Giancarlo Vetrone**, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; **Scott Whitwell**, Controller of Facilities Services; **Anna Pisano**, Recording Secretary/Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Prince

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 9, 2020, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

Declaration of Conflict of Interest was declared by Trustees Huibers, Moody and Fera with Item F4.3 of the In Camera Agenda. These trustees have family members who are teachers, or employees of the Board. They left the meeting during discussion of this item.

**5. Approval of Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 12, 2020**

Moved by Trustee Huibers

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 12, 2020, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**6. Consent Agenda Items**

Trustee Burkholder requested Item 6.7 be held. This item was moved to Committee and Staff Reports Section C7 of the agenda.

**6.1 Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of May 26, 2020**

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole receive the Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of May 26, 2020, as presented.

**6.2 Research Collaborations in the Niagara Catholic District School Board 2019-2020**

Presented for information.

**6.3 Larkin Estate Admission Awards 2020-2021**

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the payment of \$4,725.00 for Larkin Estate Admission Awards for eligible students, as presented.

**6.4 The Provisions of Special Education Programs and Services – Special Education Plan Revisions**

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revisions, as set out in Appendix A to be included in the Special Education Plan, *Building Bridges and Services 2020 and Beyond*, as presented

**6.5 Draft Board and Committee Meeting Dates Calendar 2020-2021**

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Draft Board and Committee Meeting Dates Calendar 2020-2021, as presented.

**6.6 Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities**

Presented for information.

**6.7 Capital Projects Progress Report Update**

Moved to section C7

**6.8 In Camera Items F1 and F3**

Moved by Trustee Prince

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole adopt consent agenda items.

**CARRIED**

**B. PRESENTATIONS**

**1. New Student Trustee and Co-Chair – Student Senate 2020-2021/2021-2022 Introduction**

Director Crocco welcomed back Luca DePietro of Blessed Trinity Catholic Secondary School and introduced Sydney Yott of Saint Paul Catholic High School as the Student Trustees for the 2020-2021/2021-2022 school years. Director Crocco provided background on and welcomed Sydney as Niagara Catholic District School Board's 2020-2021/2021-2022 Student Trustee.

**C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

**1. Committee of the Whole System Priorities and Budget 2019-2020 Update**

Director Crocco noted there are no updates from Senior Staff at this time and that the board has continued to implement the System Priorities for the remainder of the school year with modifications required given the implementation of the Board's Distance Learning Plan. An annual report on the 2019-2020 System Priorities and Budget will be presented at the September 2020 Board meeting.

**2. Niagara Catholic District School Board Response to COVID-19 Pandemic – Learning from Home**

Director Crocco and Chair Fera provided an update on the Niagara Catholic District School Board Response to COVID-19 Pandemic – Learning from Home and information from weekly calls with Directors of Education and Chairs of Boards with the Ministry of Education.

Chair Fera and Director Crocco answered questions of Trustees.

**3. Live Streaming and Modernization Project – Father Burns csc Board Room and Holy Cross Community Room**

Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services presented the Live Streaming and Modernization Project – Father Burns csc Board Room and Holy Cross Community Room report for information.

Superintendent Vetrone answered questions of Trustees.

**4. Ministry of Education Funding 2020-2021 Update**

Superintendent Vetrone provided an update on the Ministry of Education Funding 2020-2021.

**5. Accountability Financial Report 2019-2020 as of May 31, 2020**

Superintendent Vetrone presented the Accountability Financial Report 2019-2020 as of May 31, 2020.

Superintendent Vetrone answered questions of Trustees.

**6. Monthly Updates**

**6.1 Student Trustees' Update**

Jade Bilodeau and Luca DiPietro, Student Trustees, presented a brief verbal and visual update on the activities throughout the year of the Student Senate.

Trustees Burkholder, Burtnik, Fera and Turner acknowledged the commitment and passion of Student Trustees Bilodeau and DiPietro.

Student Trustees Bilodeau and DiPietro answered questions of Trustees.

**6.2 Senior Staff Good News Update**

Nil

**7. Consent Agenda Item A6.7 Capital Projects Progress Report Update**

Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities Services answered questions of Trustees.

**D. INFORMATION**

**1. Trustee Information**

Director Crocco confirmed presentation of items D1.1 to D1.3 for the information or questions of Trustees and highlighted for discussion items D1.3.

**1.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – May 26, 2020**

**1.2 Calendar of Events – June 2020**

**1.3 The Terry Fox Foundation**

Director Crocco highlighted the recognition received by The Terry Fox Foundation and expressed appreciation to students, staff and members of the Niagara Catholic community for their generosity.

Director Crocco answered questions of Trustees.

## **E. OTHER BUSINESS**

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

- 1.1** Chair Fera proposed the June 16, 2020 Board meeting be deferred to June 23, 2020. Trustees were in agreement and moved the Board meeting to June 23, 2020. Director Crocco noted that this decision will be communicated to all members and posted on the Board website.
- 1.2** Director Crocco noted the administrators continue to work on enrolment and staffing for 2020-2021 virtually.
- 1.3** Depending on the timing of GSN funding announcements for 2020-2021, Senior Staff will continue to provide information as it becomes available. Director Crocco informed the Board that the rescheduling of the June Board Meeting from June 16<sup>th</sup>, where it was approved to take place to accommodate attendance at graduations, to June 23<sup>rd</sup> may assist in presenting a draft Original Estimates Budget for 2020-2021 for the consideration of the Board.

## **F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA**

Moved by Trustee Prince

**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 7:55 p.m. and reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

## **G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION**

Moved by Trustee Prince

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 9, 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 May 12, 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 May 12, 2020, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F3)**



## **H. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Prince

**THAT** the June 9, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

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Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **June 9, 2020.**

Approved on **September 15, 2020.**

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Dino Sicoli  
Vice-Chair of the Board

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John Crocco  
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

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

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

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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: September 15, 2020



## REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

### STAFF DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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#### 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 September 15, 2020 through October 13, 2020.

*Professional Activity Days (September 1, 2 and 3, 2020) – For All School Sites and Staff*

#### **Tuesday, September 1, 2020**

- **MORNING: Re-Opening Plans and Health and Safety:**
  - Health and Safety PowerPoint to be presented by Principal/Vice-Principal
  - Review of the Administrative Guidance Document
  - School/Site Orientation
  - Question & Answer Session
  
- **AFTERNOON: BRIGHTSPACE/NCVLE Training:**

**Link to self-pace NCVLE topics:**

<https://niagaracatholic.elearningontario.ca/d2l/lp/navbars/8611/customlinks/external/469255>

**Link to the NCVLE Full**

**Orientation:** <https://niagaracatholic.elearningontario.ca/d2l/le/lessons/16109735>

#### **LINKS TO SPECIFIC NCVLE TOPICS:**

**Communication and Navigation:**

Slide show: <https://bit.ly/ncvsi182020>

Video Link: <http://bit.ly/vsiNAV08182020>

**Presenting Content and Resources:**

Slide show: <https://bit.ly/ncvsi08192020>

Video Link: <http://bit.ly/vsiCont09192020>

**Assessment and Evaluation:**

Slide show: <https://bit.ly/ncvsi08202020>

Video Link: <http://bit.ly/vsiEval08202020>

## Wednesday, September 2, 2020

### ▪ **MORNING: Mathematics K to 12 Professional Development**

**Link to Google Drive Folder for the agenda and access to the mathematics resources:**

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fEnMiXRHKXAoMgmlV63Mc\\_eax0-Z7adPzvA7aQFdBek/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fEnMiXRHKXAoMgmlV63Mc_eax0-Z7adPzvA7aQFdBek/edit?usp=sharing)

### ▪ **AFTERNOON: School Improvement Planning for Student Achievement and Well-Being**

#### **SIPSAW Resources in Google Drive:**

- Introductory Video (14:45) PA Day Sept 2 2020 SIPSAW (mp4)
- PA Day Sept 2 2020 SIPSAW (PPT)
- PA Day Sept 2 2020 SIPSAW (PDF)
- MOE K-12 Improvement Planning Assessment Tool (PDF)
- Call It Out (PDF)
- How to Access the SIPSAW Template in Google Docs (PDF)
- SIPSAW Template 2020-2021 (Word)
- Niagara Catholic System Directions 2020-21 (PDF)
- **Link to Google Drive Folder of SIPSAW Resources:**

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1z\\_Qa4jZ\\_n8AuZwwogIEnc83obuACOpzI?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1z_Qa4jZ_n8AuZwwogIEnc83obuACOpzI?usp=sharing)

## Thursday, September 3, 2020

### ▪ **MORNING: Mass and Faith Formation**

- The theme for Faith Day is “Come to the Well” and will focus on the importance of spiritual self-care in order to participate in the mission of the Church (and Catholic Education) to share the Good News.
- The morning will begin with the celebration of Holy Mass live streamed from the Catholic Education Centre with His Excellency, Bishop Bergie.
- Staff are invited to participate in a digital retreat, which can be done in groups or individually.
- **Link to Mass and Faith Day Activities:** [www.ncfaith.wixsite.com/retreats](http://www.ncfaith.wixsite.com/retreats)

### ▪ **AFTERNOON: Mental Health and Well-being Professional Development**

#### **LINK TO MENTAL HEALTH VIDEO**

- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1exhItj2Yf5LDoTuwiTSv3UxpkHW9VEZg/view?usp=sharing>

## **September 2020**

### *Student Transitioning – Students with Special Education Needs*

- As part of Niagara Catholic’s plan to support students with special education needs who may be transitioning back to school in September 2020, Niagara Catholic making schools aware that Student Support staff are available for consultation and collaboration.
- The following two areas may help your school staff to support student transition:
  - Transition resources available in the NCVLE that may support staff and students.
  - Access the NCVLE “Transition” folder by clicking the “Student Support” icon, “Student Support Central” icon and browse to the “Transition” folder.



- Consultation and collaboration regarding those students who are re-entering school in Sept. 2020 that may require extra assistance.
- Contact the following staff directly for support in the identified areas:

Identified Area	FOS	Contact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Students with Autism Exceptionality</li> <li>✓ Behaviour Support Plans related to ASD</li> <li>✓ ABA Strategies</li> </ul>	Lakeshore and FOS Notre Dame and FOS Saint Michael and FOS Saint Paul and FOS	Julia Nemcko Julia.nemcko@ncdsb.com
	Holy Cross and FOS Blessed Trinity and FOS Denis Morris and FOS St. Francis and FOS	Cathy McMullin cathy.mcmullin@ncdsb.com
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Students with Behaviour Exceptionality or Needs</li> <li>✓ Behaviour Support Plans</li> </ul>	Lakeshore and FOS Notre Dame and FOS	Tara Vince tara.vince@ncdsb.com
	Saint Michael and FOS Saint Paul and FOS Holy Cross and FOS	Anthony Di Toro anthony.ditoro@ncdsb.com
	Blessed Trinity and FOS Denis Morris and FOS St. Francis and FOS	Maria Kish maria.kish@ncdsb.com
	Pope Francis LSSSC Saint Kateri Tekakwitha	Vince Mancuso vince.mancuso@ncdsb.com
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Students with Developmental or Physical Exceptionality or Needs</li> </ul>	Saint Michael and FOS Saint Paul and FOS Holy Cross and FOS	Diane Bishop diane.bishop@ncdsb.com
	Blessed Trinity and FOS Denis Morris and FOS St. Francis and FOS	Tania Barrick tania.barrick@ncdsb.com
	Lakeshore and FOS Notre Dame and FOS	Ann Marie Criddle annmarie.criddle@ncdsb.com
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Students with Deaf/Hard of Hearing Exceptionality or Needs</li> </ul>	Saint Michael and FOS Saint Paul and FOS Notre Dame and FOS Lakeshore and FOS	Babette Bailey babette.bailey@ncdsb.com

	Denis Morris and FOS Saint Francis and FOS Holy Cross and FOS Blessed Trinity and FOS	Tara Formisano tara.formisano@ncdsb.com
✓ Students with Blind/Low Vision Exceptionality or Needs	Lakeshore and FOS Notre Dame and FOS Saint Michael and FOS Saint Paul and FOS Holy Cross and FOS Blessed Trinity and FOS Denis Morris and FOS St. Francis and FOS	Carole Vanderlee carole.vanderlee@ncdsb.com
✓ Behaviour Management Systems ✓ Safe Management	Lakeshore and FOS Notre Dame and FOS Saint Michael and FOS Saint Paul and FOS Holy Cross and FOS Blessed Trinity and FOS Denis Morris and FOS St. Francis and FOS	Angela De Lisio angela.delisio@ncdsb.com

**Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**

*Early Years (K-2) Remote Learning Invitational After-School Google Meet Webinars (4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)*

- A series of invitational after school sessions are scheduled for K to 2 Remote Learning Teachers. The sessions will provide ideas, lessons, and resources to support the program planning and delivery for online learning. Andrea Stranges (Kindergarten Teacher) and Beth Wood (Kindergarten Planning and Prep Teacher) will be sharing their online experiences from the 2020 Virtual Summer Learning Program and provide educators with practical, ready to use strategies and engaging learning opportunities for students learning remotely from home.
- Additional sessions will take place virtually from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the following dates: Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, and Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>

**Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**

*Kindergarten After-School Google Meet Webinars (3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.)*

- A series of invitational afterschool sessions are scheduled for the 2020/2021 school year for Kindergarten teams including classroom teachers, early childhood educators, and planning and preparation teachers. The sessions will offer a variety of ideas, resources, and considerations to support Kindergarten teams in the planning and delivery of the inquiry play-based Kindergarten Program. The sessions will be an opportunity for educators to come together in an open forum and share with one another creative approaches to program delivery and how promising practices can look, sound and feel like in the present day learning environment.
- Additional sessions will take place virtually from 3:45 – 4:45 p.m. on the following dates: Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, and Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>

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

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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: September 15, 2020

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TITLE: CAPITAL PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT UPDATE**

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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: September 15, 2020





**REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020  
CAPITAL PROJECTS PROGRESS REPORT UPDATE**

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**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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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:	September 15, 2020



**NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
CAPITAL PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**

**APPENDIX A**

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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

**Current Status:** Ministry approval received. Contractor is setting up construction area.

**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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	<b>\$2,254,668</b>

**Project Costs:**

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Paid</u>
Construction Contract	1,733,666	0
Fees & Disbursements	197,691	\$132,415
Other Project Costs	323,311	\$51,540
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	<b>\$2,254,668</b>	<b>\$183,955</b>

**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 Tender & Approvals		July 2020
Ministry Approval (cost)		
Ground Breaking Date		
Construction Start		September 01, 2020
Occupancy	September 2021	
Official Opening & Blessing		

**Project Team:**

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



**NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
CAPITAL PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT  
SEPTEMBER 15, 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:** Ministry approval received. Contractor is setting up construction area.

**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
	<b>\$5,131,382</b>

**Project Costs:**

	Budget	Paid
Construction Contract	4,651,382	42,054
Fees & Disbursements	430,000	317,380
Other Project Costs	50,000	46,897
	<b>\$5,131,382</b>	<b>\$406,331</b>

**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		
Tender & Approvals		July 2020
Ministry Approval (cost)		
Ground Breaking Date		
Construction Start		September 01, 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  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TITLE: DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND SENIOR STAFF  
INTRODUCTION TO THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR AND  
NIAGARA CATHOLIC REOPENING PLAN UPDATE**

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The report on the Director of Education and Senior Staff Introduction to the 2020-2021 School Year and Niagara Catholic Reopening Plan Update is presented for information.

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

Presented by: Senior Administrative Council

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

Date: September 15, 2020



**REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**

**DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND SENIOR STAFF INTRODUCTION TO  
THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR AND NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
REOPENING PLAN UPDATE**

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Annually, at the first Committee of the Whole Meeting to begin a new school year, the Director of Education and Senior Staff present a visual report as an introduction to the 2020-2021 school year for the information of Trustees.

As part of the presentation, the following appendices are attached to this report:

Appendix A: Introduction to 2020-2021 School Year Presentation

Appendix B: Niagara Catholic System Priorities 2020-2021

Appendix C: Board Calendar 2020-2021

Appendix D: Senior Staff Organization Chart

The report on the Director of Education and Senior Staff Introduction to the 2020-2021 School Year and Niagara Catholic Reopening Plan Update is presented for information.

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

Presented by: Senior Administrative Council

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

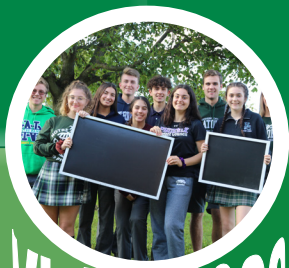
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# NIAGARA CATHOLIC SYSTEM PRIORITIES 2020-2021

## Mission Statement

*The Niagara Catholic District School Board, through 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.*



**Vision 2020**  
Nurturing Souls and Building Minds

## MINISTRY GOALS

- ▶ Achieving Excellence
- ▶ Ensuring Equity
- ▶ Promoting Well-Being
- ▶ Enhancing Public Confidence

## BOARD STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS

- ▶ Build Strong Catholic Identity and Community to Nurture the
- ▶ Distinctness of Catholic Education
- ▶ Advance Student Achievement for all

# ENABLING STRATEGIES

## SYSTEM PRIORITIES 2020-2021

*To continue to achieve excellence, ensure equity, promote well-being and enhance public confidence in publically funded Catholic education through the delivery of innovative and supportive programs and services for students and staff rooted in the Board's Mission, Vision and Values.*

## STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS

*Build Strong Catholic Identity and Community to Nurture the Distinctiveness of Catholic Education*

*Advance Student Achievement for All*

## ENABLING STRATEGIES

*Provide Supports for Success*

- Enhance career pathways for students that support individual pathway plans. Enhance career pathway planning and opportunities for all students.
- Ensure that the principles of equity and inclusive education permeate policies, programs, procedures and practices within a Catholic context.
- Employ mental health resources and supports to improve the achievement, resiliency and well-being of students.
- Implement Board and School Bullying Prevention and Intervention Plans to support accepting, equitable and safe schools.
- Implement the principles of Applied Behavioural Analysis to support student independence.

*Enhance Technology for Optimal Learning*

- Promote the use of emerging technologies to support both student learning and staff professional development.
- Improve WiFi access and capacity for all students in schools.
- Implement Disaster Recovery Plan
- Promote partnerships that align with merging social service models and needs.

### **Building Partnerships and Schools as Hubs**

- Nurture the Catholic identity of schools and the board to promote stronger Catholic values, virtues, and practices, highlighted through the annual theological theme.
- Strengthen the Family-School-Church Triad.
- Facilitate ongoing communication opportunities with parents/guardians to support student success.

### **Strengthen Human Resource Practices and Develop Transformational Leadership**

- Enhance key professional development opportunities and resources for staff to build teacher capacity and efficacy for student success.
- Facilitate ongoing Health, Safety and Wellness initiatives focused on employees returning to work.

### **Create Equity and Accessibility of Resources**

- Enhance resource allocation to identified schools based on specific indicators

### **Ensure Responsible Fiscal and Operational Management**

- Improve our financial stewardship and improved transparency

### **Address Changing Demographics**

- Update the Long-Term Accommodation Plan.
- Enhance community partners to access space in schools.





# 2020-2021 School Year Calendar & Meeting Dates

SEPTEMBER 2020						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 SEAC	10 NCPIC	11	12
13	14	15 SAL CW	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 AC	26
27	28	29 PC BD	30			

OCTOBER 2020						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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4	5	6	7 SEAC	8	9	10
11	12	13 SAL CW	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 PC BD	28	29	30	31

NOVEMBER 2020						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4 SEAC	5 NCPIC	6	7
8	9	10 SAL CW	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 PC BD	25	26	27 AC	28
29	30					

DECEMBER 2020						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 ORG BD MTG CW	2 SEAC	3	4	5
6	7	8 SAL	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 BD	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Christmas	26
27	28	29	30	31		

JANUARY 2021						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3	4	5	6 SEAC	7 NCPIC	8	9
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	31	26 PC BD	27	28	29	30

FEBRUARY 2021						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3 SEAC	4	5	6
7	8	9 SAL CW	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Ash Wednesday	18	19	20
21	22	23 PC BD	24	25	26	27
28						

MARCH 2021						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3 SEAC	4 NCPIC	5	6
7	8	9 SAL CW	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 PC BD	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

APRIL 2021						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Holy Thursday	2 Good Friday	3 Holy Saturday
4 Easter	5 Easter Monday	6	7 SEAC	8	9	10
11	12	13 SAL CW	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 PC BD	28	29	30	

MAY 2021						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3	4	5 SEAC	6 NCPIC	7	8
CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK MAY 2-7						
9	10	11 SAL CW	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 PC BD	26	27	28	29

JUNE 2021						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2 SEAC	3	4	5
6	7	8 SAL CW	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 BD	16	17	18 AC	19
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JULY 2021						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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AUGUST 2021						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Last day of School - Secondary-June 28; Elementary-June 29

### REGULAR SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

- Committee of the Whole Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Supervised Alternative Learning Meeting 2:00 p.m.
- Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Annual Organizational Meeting of the Board 6:00 p.m.
- Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Policy Committee Meeting 4:30 p.m.
- Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Audit Committee Meetings 10:00 a.m.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month
- 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month
- 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of December
- 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month
- 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month
- 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday bi-monthly
- As noted

- CW
- SAL
- BD
- ORG
- SEAC
- PC
- NCPIC
- AC

- Elementary P.A. Day
- Secondary P.A. Day
- Elementary & Secondary P.A. Day
- Board Office Shutdown
- Statutory/Other
- School Holidays



# 2020-2021 NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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SCHOOL	PRINCIPAL	PHONE
<b>Fort Erie</b>		
Our Lady of Victory	Adrian Bishop	905.871.3092
St. George	Rosanne Sandel	905.894.3670
St. Joseph	Diane Pizale	905.382.3822
St. Philomena	Christopher Spagnol	905.871.1842
<b>Grimsby</b>		
Our Lady of Fatima	Brian Palujanskas	905.945.5500
St. Joseph	Lisa Incaviglia	905.945.4955
<b>Lincoln &amp; West Lincoln</b>		
St. Edward	John Romano	905.562.5531
St. John	Lisa Selman	905.945.5331
St. Mark	Steven Ward	905.563.9191
St. Martin	Christopher Zanuttini	905.957.3032
<b>Niagara Falls</b>		
Father Hennepin	Amanda Cybula	905.354.4469
Loretto Catholic	Antonio Cardamone	905.356.4175
Mary Ward	Joseph Tornabuono	905.354.9221
Notre Dame	Christopher Moscato	905.358.3861
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Domenic Massi	905.354.2523
Sacred Heart	Irene Ricci	905.295.3732
St. Gabriel Lalemant	Jennifer DeCoff	905.354.5422
St. John Henry Newman	Paolo Sirianni	905.354.9033
St. Mary	Rosetta Araujo	905.354.7744
St. Patrick	Gustine Marchio	905.354.6631
St. Vincent de Paul	Jeff LaFontaine	905.356.7505
<b>Niagara-on-the-Lake</b>		
St. Michael	Janice Barretto-Mendonca	905.684.1051
<b>Pelham</b>		
St. Alexander	Yvonne Benyo	905.892.3841
St. Ann	Paul Moccia	905.892.3942
<b>Port Colborne</b>		
St. John Bosco	Mary Kay Kalagian	905.835.1930
St. Patrick	Mark Venzon	905.835.1091
St. Therese	Jay Lennox	905.835.8082
<b>St. Catharines</b>		
Assumption	Wendy Brant	905.935.5281
Canadian Martyrs	Alan Creelman	905.934.9972
Our Lady of Fatima	Branka Jones	905.935.4343
St. Alfred	Emma Fera-Massi	905.934.9922
St. Ann	Scott Root	905.934.1755
St. Anthony	Loredana Spadafora	905.685.8859
St. Christopher	Greg Morawek	905.684.3963
St. Denis	Kevin Lamb	905.682.4156
St. James	Jacqueline Watson	905.934.3112
St. Nicholas	Theo Dagenais	905.685.7764
St. Peter	Victoria Wegelin	905.984.3040
St. Teresa of Calcutta	Margaret Marion	905.682.6862
St. Theresa	Deborah Mercnik	905.682.0244

SCHOOL	PRINCIPAL	PHONE
<b>Thorold</b>		
Monsignor Clancy	Dan Trainor	905.227.4910
St. Charles	Susy Walsh	905.227.3522
<b>Wainfleet</b>		
St. Elizabeth	Kimberly Kuchar	905.899.3041
<b>Welland</b>		
Alexander Kuska	Carlo Arghittu	905.735.4471
Holy Name	Terry Antoniou	905.732.4992
St. Andrew	Christopher Kerho	905.732.5663
St. Augustine	Jeff Moccia	905.734.4659
St. Kevin	Maria Solomon	905.734.7709
St. Mary	Joseph Romeo	905.734.7326
<b>SECONDARY SCHOOLS</b>		
<b>Grimsby</b>		
Blessed Trinity	Joseph Zaroda	905.945.6706
<b>Niagara Falls</b>		
Saint Michael	Glenn Gifford	905.356.5155
Saint Paul	Bradley Johnstone	905.356.4313
<b>Port Colborne</b>		
Lakeshore Catholic	Denice Robertson	905.835.2451
Lakeshore Catholic Toll Free		905.382.3846
<b>St. Catharines</b>		
Denis Morris	Danny Di Lorenzo	905.684.8731
Holy Cross	Andrew Boon	905.937.6446
Saint Francis	James Whittard	905.646.2002
<b>Welland</b>		
Notre Dame	Kenneth Griepsma	905.788.3060
<b>VIRTUAL SCHOOL</b>		
Niagara Catholic Virtual School	Christopher Boyer	905.225.8639
<b>CONTINUING EDUCATION LEARNING CENTRES</b>		
<b>Fort Erie</b>		
St. John Centre	Rob DiPersio	905.991-8951
<b>Niagara Falls</b>		
St. Ann Centre	Rob DiPersio	905.354.3531
<b>St. Catharines</b>		
St. John Centre	Rob DiPersio	905.682.3360
<b>Welland</b>		
Father Fogarty Centre	Rob DiPersio	905.734.4495

**WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE A CONCERN OR COMPLAINT**  
 (Complaint Resolution Policy 800.3 - as may be amended from time to time)

The Niagara Catholic District School Board is committed to open communication with its parents, Catholic ratepayers and all educational partners through effective system and school-based communication procedures. The Board recognizes that differences of opinion and concerns may arise during a school year. To facilitate the resolution of complaints the following process will be followed to focus on the issue:

**COMPLAINANT AND EMPLOYEE CONCERNED**  
 The complainant is to contact the employee involved to discuss the concern and attempt to resolve the matter. If not satisfactorily resolved, then;

**COMPLAINANT AND THE EMPLOYEE'S IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR**  
 The complainant will be referred to the employee's immediate supervisor to discuss the concern and attempt to resolve the matter. If not satisfactorily resolved, then;

**COMPLAINANT AND SUPERINTENDENT/CONTROLLER OF PLANT**  
 The complainant will be referred to the appropriate Superintendent or Controller of Plant to discuss the concern and attempt to resolve the matter. If not satisfactorily resolved, then;

**COMPLAINANT AND DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION**  
 The complainant will be referred to the Director of Education for consideration of the complaint and the decisions made by supervisory staff of the Board. If not satisfactorily resolved, then;

**APPEAL TO THE BOARD**  
 A written complaint may be submitted to the Chair of the Board to delegate to the In-Camera Meeting of the Board by the complainant if not satisfied with the decision of the Director of Education. This request shall be made in writing. The delegation request will follow Board By-Law Section 16 subsection B through J. The complainant will be advised in writing, unless otherwise advised by Board legal counsel, of any decisions taken by the In-Camera Meeting of the Board in relation to the complaint.

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Sydney Yott	Student Trustee	
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Camillo Cipriano	Director of Education/Secretary-Treasurer	220
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Ted Farrell	Superintendent of Education	230
Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells	Superintendent of Education	229
Kimberly Kinney	Superintendent of Education	227
Gino Pizzoferrato	Superintendent of Education	228
Pat Rocca	Superintendent of Education	255
Giancarlo Vetrone	Superintendent of Business & Financial Services	232





# NIAGARA CATHOLIC SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL 2020-2021

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*Linda Marconi - Executive Assistant*

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**Krista Wood**

- Elementary Chaplaincy Leaders
- Secondary Chaplaincy Leaders
- Deanery Liaison
- Diocesan Liaison
- Journey Retreat Program

### Student Senate

- Elementary
- Secondary

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**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**

***PUBLIC SESSION***

**TITLE: ACCOUNTABILITY FINANCIAL REPORT 2020-2021**

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

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

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

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

Date: September 15, 2020



## REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

### ACCOUNTABILITY FINANCIAL REPORT 2020-2021

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#### CURRENT CLASS SIZE AGGREGATE – ELEMENTARY

DIVISION	CLASS SIZE AGGREGATE
ELKP	20.4
PRIMARY	18.5
JUNIOR/INTERMEDIATE	23.2

Investments to Support School Reopening in Response to CoVid-19 Outbreak.

#### **2020: B11 – August 4, 2020**

Resources worth \$309 million were announced as part of the school reopening plan. The Ministry of Education notified school boards of additional information on the following new Priorities and Partnerships Fund (PPF) investments to support the safe reopening of schools that were part of this announcement:

- Funding for Additional Staffing
- Health and Safety Training
- Masks and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Cleaning Supplies
- Student Transportation
- Special Education
- Mental Health

In addition, the Ministry of Education provided further details on the Ministry of Education's commitment to provide \$25 million in new GSN funding in 2020–21 for mental health and technology

#### **A. Additional Custodian Support - \$495,557**

The ministry will also provide \$50 million in new funding in 2020–21 to support the hiring of additional custodial staff. The allocation for DSBs is based on projected Average Daily Enrolment (ADE) with a top-up to ensure every DSB generates a minimum of \$60,000 in funding. Niagara Catholic is increasing its casual caretaker hours to provide enhanced cleaning.

## **B. H&S Training for Supply Staff - \$96,780**

As school boards plan to re-open schools, it is critical that all school and board staff know the health and safety protocols necessary to keep themselves and students safe.

To support school boards in delivering health and safety training to all staff, the ministry has developed customizable material that boards may choose to use in their own training.

All staff who enter a school or board facility have an important role in keeping themselves and others safe. To that end, the ministry is providing \$10 million in new funding in 2020-21 to ensure training is extended to all occasional teachers and casual education workers that could be required to cover absences. The allocation supports one five-hour day of training for occasional teachers and casual workers. For permanent and long-term occasional teachers, this is provided as part of the seven professional activity (PA) days.

## **C. Additional Support for Spec Ed - \$115,987**

To support students with special education needs, the ministry is providing school boards and isolate board school authorities with a new \$10 million investment in PPF funding. This one-time funding is flexible, to be used by school boards to address local needs including for additional staffing resources, specific evidence-based programs or interventions, additional learning resources such as assistive technology, and for professional assessments.

Additional E.A. personnel are being hired to support programs.

## **D. Additional Mental Health - \$126,979**

The ministry is investing an additional \$10 million to support the mental health needs of students. This is on top of the \$10 million already announced for mental health supports that will foster the continued learning and well-being of students. This additional \$10 million investment will be allocated through PPF.

This allocation is being used to expand the mental health initiative with additional Social Worker support.

## **E. Enhanced Cleaning - \$41,070**

Enhanced cleaning is required to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission in schools and on school buses, including cleaning plus disinfection of high touch surfaces at a minimum of twice daily, e.g. washrooms, eating areas, doorknobs, light switches, handles, desks, keyboards, etc.

Funding will be provided to purchase cleaning supplies (including hand sanitizers), operationalize enhanced cleaning in schools and on school buses, hiring additional custodial staff and/or paying for staff overtime due to additional cleaning.

## **Grants for Students Needs (GSN) Allocations 2020:B11**

### **A. Technology - \$144,200**

The ministry will provide \$15 million in new funding in 2020–21 to support technology-related costs. The intent of the new funding is to support students who were unable to access technology during the 2019-20 school year to have greater access for 2020-21. The funding will help to replace some devices that may be out-of-date and support the procurement of additional devices for school boards to loan to students.

Additional endpoint devices were purchased to provide expanded deployment of chromebooks and tablets with WIFI capability.

## **B. Mental Health - \$126,979**

The intent of this new funding is to meet the expected higher needs of all students due to COVID-19. School boards may utilize this funding to:

- employ new mental health professionals to manage the anticipated increase in student mental health needs;
- provide training for educators, mental health professionals and system leaders;
- allow for release time for educator professional development; and
- to more closely engage with their local community and healthcare partners to support the mental health of students.

School boards have the flexibility to utilize this funding to address local priorities both at the elementary and secondary panels and to support the mental health of students in specific sub-populations.

School boards are expected to use at least 10% of this GSN funding, or at least \$1 million provincially, to support the mental health needs of students in grades K-3 who are at risk of being suspended.

School boards may choose to use this funding to support enhanced engagement and collaboration with parents/guardians to better understand and address issues of K-3 student behaviour and to coordinate community and school-based services to support students and families as needed.

## **Priorities and Partnerships Fund Allocations 2020:B12**

### **A. Optimizing Air Quality - \$552,300**

Eligible expenses for the new \$50M in funding:

- Upgrading current air filters to the highest possible MERV and increasing the frequency in which filters are replaced to ensure maximum airflow (filters and installation costs);
- Performing recommissioning of current HVAC system to optimize air circulation and pressure, ensuring systems are meeting performance targets; and
- Purchasing portable air filtration systems with high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filters for classrooms that have limited air ventilation/fresh air options.

Niagara Catholic purchased portable air filtration systems for classrooms that have limited air ventilation.

## **Priorities and Partnerships Fund Allocations 2020:B14**

### **A. Additional Teaching Staff - \$767,678**

This one-time funding is for non-permanent teachers and supply teachers. The funding should be used for time-limited positions.

Additional classroom teachers were deployed to address smaller class size aggregates.

## **B. School Reopening Emerging Issues - \$1,066,339**

Funding of \$100 million will be allocated to school boards to augment the health and safety of school reopening plans. This funding is designed to be responsive to varying local issues and may be used to support a broad range of activities such as additional hiring of staff (such as custodians and other school-based staff), leasing of community-based spaces, improving air quality and additional technology and broadband supports. This funding will be allocated to school boards reflecting a base funding amount of \$125,000 per panel as well as projected total 2020-21 ADE.

Continue to deploy teaching resources (guidance support) and classroom teachers to address in school and virtual learning. Expand capacity and infrastructure in technology to address demand for virtual or distance learning.

## **C. Transportation - \$264,197**

The ministry recognizes that school boards are facing unique student transportation challenges for the upcoming school year as a result of COVID-19. To support school boards in ensuring enhanced health and safety measures, \$25.5 million will be provided to assist in reducing the number of students on school buses to support physical distancing, as well as addressing other pressures school boards may face in transporting students as a result of COVID-19.

These funds have been used to enhance cleaning by increasing driver hours at end of day.

## **D. Remote Learning - \$207,511**

This additional funding will ensure that where school boards choose to provide remote learning, dedicated funding supports will be provided to hire more principals and school administration supports. In addition, where it is projected that a school board will have more than 1,500 pupils attending virtual schools in 2020-21, by panel, they will now also generate vice-principal funding to ensure appropriate school leadership is available. Furthermore, the five per cent virtual school attendance funding assumption used to calculate the original \$18 million investment has been updated to ten per cent to reflect higher than expected enrolment in the remote program.

Hired 1.0 Principal, administrative support and office supplies for virtual school.

## **E. Special Education and Mental Health - \$151,767**

To further support students with special education needs and support the mental health needs of students, the ministry is providing school boards with an additional \$12.5 million in funding investments. This is flexible funding to address local needs including the purposes as outlined in memorandum 2020: B11

Additional 2.0 Child and Youth Workers and 1.0 Educational Assistant support.

Appendix A – Additional Funding to Support Reopening of Schools

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

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

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

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

Date: September 15, 2020

## ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO SUPPORT REOPENING OF SCHOOLS

### Priorities and Partnerships Fund Allocations 2020: B11

Funding Description	Funds allocated for 2020-2021	Remaining funds to be allocated
<p><b>A. Additional Custodian Support - \$495,557</b></p> <p>The ministry will also provide \$50 million in new funding in 2020–21 to support the hiring of additional custodial staff. The allocation for DSBs is based on projected Average Daily Enrolment (ADE) with a top-up to ensure every DSB generates a minimum of \$60,000 in funding.</p>	<p>Additional casual custodial hours for enhanced cleaning protocols.</p> <p>40-hour work week. Approximately 15.0 casual FTE</p>	<p>No additional funds remaining</p>
<p><b>B. H&amp;S Training for Supply Staff - \$96,780</b></p> <p>As school boards plan to re-open schools, it is critical that all school and board staff know the health and safety protocols necessary to keep themselves and students safe.</p> <p>To support school boards in delivering health and safety training to all staff, the ministry has developed customizable material that boards may choose to use in their own training.</p> <p>All staff who enter a school or board facility have an important role in keeping themselves and others safe. To that end, the ministry is providing \$10 million in new funding in 2020-21 to ensure training is extended to all occasional</p>	<p>Professional Development and training for casual staff.</p>	<p>To be reconciled with various departments.</p>



<p>teachers and casual education workers that could be required to cover absences. The allocation supports one five-hour day of training for occasional teachers and casual workers. For permanent and long-term occasional teachers, this is provided as part of the seven professional activity (PA) days.</p>		
<p><b>C. Additional Support for Spec Ed - \$115,987</b></p> <p>To support students with special education needs, the ministry is providing school boards and isolate board school authorities with a new \$10 million investment in PPF funding. This one-time funding is flexible, to be used by school boards to address local needs including for additional staffing resources, specific evidence-based programs or interventions, additional learning resources such as assistive technology, and for professional assessments.</p>	<p>Additional E.A. deployment</p> <p>3.0 Education Assistants – casual full time hours</p>	<p>No additional funds remaining</p>
<p><b>D. Additional Mental Health - \$126,979</b></p> <p>The ministry is investing an additional \$10 million to support the mental health needs of students. This is on top of the \$10 million already announced for mental health supports that will foster the continued learning and well-being of students. This additional \$10 million investment will be allocated through PPF.</p>	<p>Additional Social Workers September - August</p> <p>1.0 Social Workers 1.0 Replacement (Maternity Leave)</p>	<p>No remaining Funds</p>

<p><b>E. Enhanced Cleaning - \$41,070</b></p> <p>Enhanced cleaning is required to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission in schools and on school buses, including cleaning plus disinfection of high touch surfaces at a minimum of twice daily, e.g. washrooms, eating areas, doorknobs, light switches, handles, desks, keyboards, etc.</p> <p>Funding will be provided to purchase cleaning supplies (including hand sanitizers), operationalize enhanced cleaning in schools and on school buses, hiring additional custodial staff and/or paying for staff overtime due to additional cleaning.</p>	<p>Additional cleaning products in schools.</p>	<p>No remaining funds.</p>
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<p><b>G. Technology - \$144,200</b></p> <p>The ministry will provide \$15 million in new funding in 2020–21 to support technology-related costs. The intent of the new funding is to support students who were unable to access technology during the 2019-20 school year to have greater access for 2020-21. The funding will help to replace some devices that may be out-of-date and support the procurement of additional devices for school boards to loan to students.</p>	<p>Purchased 200 chromebooks and 50 more tablets with WIFI capability. Expansion of VDI capacity.</p> <p>Additional curricular software provided.</p>	<p>No remaining funds</p>
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**H. Mental Health - \$126,979**

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- provide training for educators, mental health professionals and system leaders;
- allow for release time for educator professional development; and
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School boards are expected to use at least 10% of this GSN funding, or at least \$1 million provincially, to support the mental health needs of students in grades K-3 who are at risk of being suspended.

School boards may choose to use this funding to support enhanced engagement and collaboration with parents/guardians to better understand and address issues of K-3 student behaviour and to coordinate community and school-based services to support students and families as needed.

Additional Social Worker October – August 31

Social Worker 1.5

No remaining funds

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**Priorities and Partnerships Fund**  
**Allocations 2020:B12**

<p><b>I. Optimizing Air Quality - \$552,300</b></p> <p>Eligible expenses for the new \$50M in funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Upgrading current air filters to the highest possible MERV and increasing the frequency in which filters are replaced to ensure maximum airflow (filters and installation costs);</li><li>• Performing recommissioning of current HVAC system to optimize air circulation and pressure, ensuring systems are meeting performance targets; and</li><li>• Purchasing portable air filtration systems with high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filters for classrooms that have limited air ventilation/fresh air options.</li></ul>	<p>Initial purchase of 150 portable air filtration systems with high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filters for classrooms that have limited air ventilation/fresh air options.</p>	<p>Approximately \$300,000 remaining for future purchases and HVAC retrofit.</p>
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**Priorities and Partnerships Fund**

**Allocations 2020:B13**

<p><b>J. Transportation - \$207,214</b></p> <p>Eligible expenses include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Potential pressures/incremental costs associated with: o running routes at less than full capacity to allow for physical distancing; and o noon-hour or other new bus runs to allow for programmatic choices at the secondary panel to allow for appropriate cohorting.</li><li>• Additional staffing and/or overtime related to enhanced cleaning on school purpose vehicles</li><li>• Equipment (e.g., spray guns, hand sanitizing stations) and auxiliary supplies that would support effective enhanced cleaning protocols (means of applying the cleaning products that are being supplied by MGCS to be applied in an efficient manner)</li><li>• Additional costs associated with specific cleaning and disinfection products or PPE for use on school purpose vehicles that is not being supplied by MGCS.</li></ul> <p>Eligible expenses under this program would be expenses incurred between August 1, 2020 and March 31, 2021.</p>	<p>Additional compensation to address retention issues.</p> <p>Additional hours for cleaning busses.</p>	<p>No funds remaining</p>
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**Priorities and Partnerships Fund**

**Allocations 2020:B14**

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<p><b>K. Additional Teaching Staff - \$767,678</b></p> <p>This one-time funding is for non-permanent teachers and supply teachers. The funding should be used for time-limited positions.</p>	<p>Reduced classroom aggregate in Elementary</p> <p>Additional 7.0 FTE deployed</p>	<p>No Funds remaining</p>
<p><b>L. School Reopening Emerging Issues - \$1,066,339</b></p> <p>Funding of \$100 million will be allocated to school boards to augment the health and safety of school reopening plans. This funding is designed to be responsive to varying local issues and may be used to support a broad range of activities such as additional hiring of staff (such as custodians and other school-based staff), leasing of community-based spaces, improving air quality and additional technology and broadband supports. This funding will be allocated to school boards reflecting a base funding amount of \$125,000 per panel as well as projected total 2020-21 ADE.</p>	<p>Responsive to various local issues</p> <p>Responding to teacher deployment and staffing support for both Elementary and Secondary.</p> <p>Additional replacement and sick time.</p> <p>Increased capacity for endpoint devices for school deployment</p>	<p>Approximately \$600,000 remaining. Estimate of remaining funds needs to be determined once staffing is completed.</p>
<p><b>M. Transportation - \$264,197</b></p> <p>The ministry recognizes that school boards are facing unique student transportation challenges for the upcoming school year as a result of COVID-19. To support school boards in ensuring enhanced health and safety measures, \$25.5 million will be provided to assist in reducing the number of students on school buses to support physical distancing, as well as addressing other pressures school boards may face in transporting students as a result of COVID-19.</p>	<p>Additional hours for bus drivers.</p>	<p>No funds remaining</p>

<p><b>O. Remote Learning - \$207,511</b></p> <p>This additional funding will ensure that where school boards choose to provide remote learning, dedicated funding supports will be provided to hire more principals and school administration supports. In addition, where it is projected that a school board will have more than 1,500 pupils attending virtual schools in 2020-21, by panel, they will now also generate vice-principal funding to ensure appropriate school leadership is available. Furthermore, the five per cent virtual school attendance funding assumption used to calculate the original \$18 million investment has been updated to ten per cent to reflect higher than expected enrolment in the remote program. Where school boards have a need greater than what is provided through the total remote learning funding amount of \$54 million, they may access funding provided under School Reopening Emerging Issues.</p>	<p>Principal and administrative support for virtual school.</p> <p>Office supplies.</p> <p>1.0 Principal 1.0 School Secretary</p>	<p>No funds remaining</p>
<p><b>P. Special Education and Mental Health - \$151,767</b></p> <p>To further support students with special education needs and support the mental health needs of students, the ministry is providing school boards with an additional \$12.5 million in funding investments. This is flexible funding to address local needs including the purposes as outlined in memorandum 2020: B11</p>	<p>Additional CYW Deployment in Elementary</p> <p>2.0 CYWs - Elementary Support 1.0 E.A</p>	<p>No funds remaining</p>

Total Provincial Funding = \$4,364,558

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**

*PUBLIC SESSION*

**TOPIC: TRUSTEE INFORMATION  
SPOTLIGHT ON NIAGARA CATHOLIC – JUNE 23, 2020**

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**June 23, 2020**

The June 23 Board Meeting was held electronically, due to the COVID-19 school closures. All Committee of the Whole and Board Meetings will take place electronically until further notice. As they are public meetings, the public is invited to listen to meetings by teleconference by calling 1.647.484.1596, using the access code 644537931#.

### **Larkin Estate Awards**

Each year, students from Niagara Catholic who are entering a nursing or social science program at college or university are eligible to receive Larkin Estate Award, from the estate of Maria and Aimee Larkin. The awards have been presented annually since 1969. This year, \$4,725 was presented to 21 students – seven students in the Class of 2020, and 14 renewals, who will each receive \$225. A list of recipients is included in section [A 6.1.1 of the June 23 Board Meeting Agenda](#).

### **Special Education Plan Revisions**

Every year, the Ministry of Education requires school boards to provide a comprehensive overview of its current special education programs and services. *Building Bridges to Services: 2020 and Beyond*, is Niagara Catholic's current Special Education Plan. This plan was presented at the June 6 Committee of the Whole Meeting, and approved at the June 23 Board Meeting. A summary of this document is included in section [A 6.1.2 of the June 23 Board Meeting Agenda](#).

### **Student Trustees**

Niagara Catholic said goodbye to graduating student trustee Jade Bilodeau, and hello to incoming student trustee Sydney Yott, a Grade 11 student at Saint Paul Catholic High School. Sydney joins Luca DiPietro as co-chair of Niagara Catholic Student Senate, and as the Board's two student trustees.

### **Stay Up-to-Date with Niagara Catholic**

We are living in extraordinary times due to the COVID-19 global pandemic. Stay up-to-date with important messages by checking this the [Learn at Home](#) section of this website, and following Niagara Catholic on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**

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**TOPIC: TRUSTEE INFORMATION  
CALENDAR OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER 2020**

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# SEPTEMBER 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Labour Day	<b>8</b> First Day of School	<b>9</b> SEAC Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>10</b> NCPIC Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Committee of the Whole Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Policy Committee Meeting 4:30 p.m.  Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>30</b>		<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

**TO: NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020**

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**TOPIC: TRUSTEE INFORMATION  
OCSTA MEMORANDUM – 2020 FALL REGIONAL MEETINGS**

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## Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association

**August 31, 2020**

### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** All Catholic School Trustees & Student Trustees  
Directors of Education

**CC:** OCSTA Staff  
Board Secretaries and Administrative Assistants

**FROM:** Nick Milanetti, Executive Director

**SUBJECT:** **2020 Fall Regional Meetings**

The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association Fall Regional Meetings are scheduled as follows:

**Northeast:** Friday, September 18 – 5:30pm – 8:30pm (EDT)  
**Central:** Tuesday, September 22 – 9:30– 12:00pm (EDT)  
**East:** Wednesday, September 23 – 9:30am – 12:00pm (EDT)  
**West:** Friday, September 25 – 9:30am – 12:00pm (EDT)  
**Northwest:** Friday, October 2 – 9:30am – 12:00pm (EDT)

In order to participate in the meeting, you will require the Zoom application. Within the next week you will receive an email with a link to register for the Regional Zoom Meeting. Once you have registered, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Please join the meeting early (5:00pm EDT Northeast Region, 9:00am EDT for all remaining regions) to ensure that you are able to access the meeting and resolve any IT issues.

Boards are asked to prepare a 7-minute overview of the following topics to be delivered at the meeting by the Chair or designate.

#### QUESTIONS FOR BOARDS TO PREPARE IN ADVANCE FOR DISCUSSION AT THIS MEETING:

- 1. School Re-opening:** Please share with us the greatest challenges with regard to school re-opening. Were school board reserves used to reduce class sizes for this school year, and if so, what percentage was used? What were the reserves used earmarked for?

2. **Collective Bargaining**: Consider the recent round of central bargaining and share with OCSTA your thoughts, what went well and key concerns. How has local bargaining transpired?
3. **E-learning**: Please share concerns and questions regarding e-learning and any concerns and issues related to the protection of denominational rights within the province's e-learning framework.
4. **Locally Determined Question**: Please highlight the leading local issue(s) for your board and outline both the short-term and long-term impacts. We would be particularly interested in hearing about any current or potential issues that could impact the denominational rights of publicly funded Catholic Education. Share your thoughts as to how OCSTA can assist, particularly with regard to long term issues.

Attached please find a copy of the preliminary program and Regions Chart.



## Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association

### 2020 REGIONAL MEETINGS

## AGENDA

#### WELCOME & GATHERING PRAYER

*Patrick J. Daly, President, OCSTA  
Chair, Host Board*

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

*Patrick J. Daly, President, OCSTA*

#### LABOUR UPDATE & SCHOOL START UP PROCESS

*Nick Milanetti, Executive Director*

#### NURTURING HOPE

*Anne O'Brien, Director of Catholic Education, OCSTA*

An overview will be provided of this year's Catholic Education Week theme: Nurturing Hope.

Nurtured by Hope the overview will include:

- The recognition of the special Year of Laudato Si' announced by Pope Francis on May 24, 2020, the fifth anniversary of his papal encyclical on "Caring for Our Common Home."
- The importance of Hope in the face of the ongoing reality of the COVID-19 pandemic
- The challenges to personal and spiritual well-being posed by the uncertainty and physical isolation of the current global crisis
- The Truth & Reconciliation Commission recognizing the relevance of Indigenous culture and spirituality to the spirit of Laudato Si'
- The call of trustees to nurture hope in their communities.

#### BREAK

#### QUESTIONS FOR BOARDS TO PREPARE IN ADVANCE FOR DISCUSSION AT THIS MEETING:

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#### ADJOURNMENT



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## OCSTA REGIONS

AREA	BOARDS/OCSTA REGION #
West	Bruce-Grey (4) Huron-Perth (4) London (5) Waterloo (4) Wellington (4) St. Clair (5) Windsor/Essex (5)
East	Algonquin & Lakeshore (10) Eastern Ontario (10) Peterborough-Victoria-Northumberland & Clarington (9) Ottawa (12) Renfrew (10) Simcoe-Muskoka (9)
North East	Huron-Superior (1) Nipissing-Parry Sound (1) Northeastern (1) Sudbury (1)
Central	Brant-Haldimand Norfolk (11) Dufferin-Peel (7) Durham (9) Halton (13) Hamilton-Wentworth (11) Niagara (11) Toronto (6) York (8)
North West	Kenora (2) Northwest (2) Superior North (2) Thunder Bay (2)