

York Catholic District School Board Meet Your Board of Trustees 2014 - 2018



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Trustees are the community’s advocate for public education. They are required to carry out their responsibilities in a manner that assists the Board in fulfilling its duties under the Education Act.

Role and Duties of Trustees

- To function as a member of a team. Trustees function as a corporate board, being the legislative source of all decisions. Individual trustees are granted no authority through the Education Act
- To bring forward their community’s perspective prior to a corporate Board decision
- To communicate the views and decisions of the Board back to their constituents
- To support the Board’s Multi-Year Strategic Plan promoting student achievement and well-being, and the attainment of the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations
- To develop, maintain, monitor and evaluate policies and organizational structures that support and promote the Board’s Strategic Commitments which include the: Integration of Our Catholic Faith, Continuous Improvement of Student Achievement, Effective Use of Our Resources, and Engaging Our Communities
- To act as stewards of Catholic Education by ensuring:
 - Gospel Values are embedded in all policies and practices
 - Provincial curriculum is taught by Catholic teachers from a uniquely Catholic perspective
 - Support is provided for faith formation of students and staff
 - Active collaboration with our Catholic community to strengthen the home, school, parish partnership
- To hire and evaluate the Director of Education, who is responsible for the day-to-day management of the system

What Does This Mean for Catholic Families in York Region

The YCDSB has established policies and procedures to ensure that parents will have their specific questions answered and/or concerns addressed. Trustees are always willing to listen to parental concerns, especially those pertaining to Board policy. Trustees will refer parents to the following protocol with respect to individual school-based concerns:

- Your classroom teacher and/or school principal is the first point of contact for any questions or concerns you may have;
- Should you need further assistance, your Area Superintendent of Education is available to assist you;
- In the event of any outstanding question and/or concern, please contact Frances Bagley, Coordinating Superintendent;
- The Director of Education, Patricia Preston, is always available for consultation and assistance with unresolved issues.

Catholic School Supporter Declaration

To help us nurture the gift of Catholic Education in the years to come, we ask for the support of every Catholic. Declaring yourself as an “*English Separate School Supporter*,” on your property tax assessment helps to ensure that our provincial government continues to fund Catholic Education. The amount of tax paid is the same for Catholic and Public school supporters. Catholic school parents/electors/supporters are encouraged to ensure that they are registered appropriately for the purposes of school board tax support as English Separate School Support is a requirement for admission to York Catholic District School Board elementary schools. Every time you move, you must declare yourself an English-separate school supporter/elector.

Please check your registration by calling the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) at 1-866-296-6722, or visit the website at www.mpac.ca. You may also get an Application for Direction of School Support by calling the York Catholic District School Board Admissions Office at 905-713-2711, ext. 2451 or 2453, or by visiting our website at www.ycdsb.ca.

York Catholic District School Board Multi-Year Strategic Plan

Mission Statement

Guided by Gospel Values and Catholic Virtues, in partnership with home and Church, we educate and inspire all students to reach their full potential in a safe and caring environment.

Vision Statement

Our students will become creative and critical thinkers who integrate Catholic Values into their daily lives, as socially responsible global citizens.

Core Values



Strategic Commitments

Integration of Our Catholic Faith

Continuous Improvement of Student Achievement

Effective Use of Our Resources

Engaging Our Communities