

YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD



BOARD POLICY	
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POLICY TITLE: CHAPLAINCY TEAMS

SECTION A

1. PURPOSE

The York Catholic District School Board as an integral partner in the faith formation of its students recognizes the importance of the Chaplaincy Team in the spiritual care and nurturing of all members of the Catholic Secondary School Community. Chaplaincy teams working in harmony with the Church, the broader school community, the parishes and the parents/guardians play a pivotal role in sustaining our vision of Catholic education and in helping students become disciples of Jesus Christ.

The purpose of this policy is to affirm the Board's commitment to chaplaincy teams in secondary schools of the Board.

2. POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of the York Catholic District School Board that a chaplaincy team shall be established in each secondary school and that, where possible, the team membership will include an ordained Minister or Religious (priest, deacon, or sister) at least on a part time basis.

3. PARAMETERS

The work of the chaplaincy teams shall be carried out according to the guidelines and expectations of the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario, Archdiocese of Toronto, and the York Catholic District School Board document Chaplaincy Teams: Guidelines and Services.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES

- 4.1 Director of Education/designate
 - To ensure that a Chaplaincy Team is present in each secondary school of the Board.
 - To support Chaplaincy Teams in their ongoing spiritual formation.
- 4.2 Appropriate Bishop, Archdiocese of Toronto
 - To approve the membership of school chaplaincy teams.
- 4.3 Principal
 - To provide leadership to the Chaplaincy Team to help students fulfil the Catholic Graduate Expectations in an all inclusive, loving Christian Community.
 - To provide for appropriate resources and supports which enable the delivery of meaningful chaplaincy services.
- 4.4 Chaplaincy Team
 - To facilitate the school community’s encounter with Jesus Christ.
 - To support the spiritual relationships within the school and with the parish, families and community.

5. CROSS REFERENCE

YCDSB Chaplaincy Team: Guidelines and Services

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