

YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

ADVOCACY EXPENDITURE GUIDELINES

Principle

School board communication with the Ontario government is an important activity to identify, discuss and find solutions to policy and financial issues. Ontario has an effective education governance structure to ensure there is open and ongoing communication between school boards and the province, including partnership tables, regular meetings and other vehicles established by the government.

Current Procedure

The Board will work in partnership with all its education partners including other school boards and governments (local, provincial and federal) through established channels with the objective of maximizing resources for student success and achievement.

Guidelines under review

The Ministry of Education has recently developed guidelines for School Boards, intended for both trustees and school board staff; the purpose of the guidelines is to define a province-wide standard that provides a foundation for each school board to develop its own specific policies.

The Board is currently reviewing its advocacy expenditure guidelines to ensure that they are in accordance with the "best practices" as recommended by the Ministry of Education.

Any exceptions would require authorization from the Director of Education or designate or Board of Trustees.