

Christ the King School

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September 2011 Newsletter



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Absentee Reporting
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Principal's Message

Welcome back.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone back and hope that you had a wonderful, restful summer. I would also like to extend a very special and warm welcome to all of our new members! I look forward to the journey as we embark together in continuing to build the 'Christ The King' community!

Staff has been working very hard over the past few weeks in preparation of our school opening. Thank you to the teachers who have been preparing their classrooms and a special thank you to our custodial team for all of their hard work over the summer!

In order to keep you informed of events at the school, you will be receiving a monthly newsletter and calendar, which will be distributed during the first week of the month. Please make sure that you get the opportunity to read it for pertinent information regarding your child's education. This year we will continue a monthly featured section that will be informing the community of various activities that are held at the Colonial/ Collegeway Area. We hope that this will continue to promote participation and inspiration to the entire community!

We are fortunate at Christ The King School to be strong in a variety of areas - academics, discipline, arts and athletics. We have students who are willing to be involved and a dedicated staff willing to provide the opportunities for their growth and development. We anticipate another rewarding and challenging year as we serve the students in our care. Let us learn from the past, live in the present and plan for the future.

Wishing you all a rich and rewarding school year.

God Bless

Mrs. M. McIsaac



VIRTUES PROGRAM - SEPTEMBER ~ FAITH

To begin the new school year, we'll focus our attention on the first of our virtues - **Faith**. Faith is the great virtue of believing in God and trusting that God is with us.

A *faithful* person believes that we are created, guided by and destined to be reunited with God.

A *faithful* person believes that God's plan for us includes the right to be safe, especially at school.

A Faithful person...

- ◆ Prays regularly and reverently
- ◆ Learns from Scripture stories
- ◆ Honours people's God-given names
- ◆ Assumes that there is good in everyone
- ◆ Accepts the God-given worth of themselves and others

All Virtue information has been added to the front pages of your child's agenda.

Christ the King Staff, 2011-12

M. McIsaac	Principal
L. DeAgazio	Secretary
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L. Stolar	JK/SK PM
M. Mastrangelo	1
J. Goodman	1/2
A. Gawronski	2/3
D. Pendergast	3
P. Kennedy	4
B. Masson	5
M. Celeste	6
C. Shaw	7
D. Adkins	8
L. Morra	FSL
P. Szpakowski	SERT/ESL
K. Gizzi	SERT/SERC
E. Chelak	Library
K. Hicks	Educational Resource Worker (ERW)
K. Muffolini	ERW
V. Milicevic	ERW
L. Veira	ERW
B. Meo	Lunch Hour Supervisor
S. Cutajar	Lunch Hour Supervisor
S. Pinto	Lunch Hour Supervisor
C. Michisor	Lunch Hour Supervisor
M. Lapp	Child Youth Worker
S. Henry	Psychologist
E. Jones	Speech and Language
D. Kostyshyn	Social Worker

OPENING SCHOOL MASS



Our opening school mass will take place on **Wednesday, September 21** at 9:15 a.m. Please join us as we welcome Fr. Grima to our school and our new school beginning. **Please see The Attached Liturgical Calender for all Sacraments and forthcoming Masses and Celebrations .**

SCHOOL HOURS



School will begin at **8:45 am** and conclude at **3:15 pm**

A.M. - J.K./S.K. 8:45 a.m.- 11:15 a.m.
 P.M. - J.K./S.K. 12:50 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.
 Grades 1-8 8:45 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
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 12:50 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Lunch Hour 11:50 a.m.-12:50 p.m.

Morning Recess 10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
 Afternoon Recess 1:50 p.m. – 2:05 p.m.
 Dismissal 3:15 p.m



SCHOOL WEBSITE

Be sure to visit our school website. All newsletters, calendars and other pertinent information is always updated. Our website address is : **<http://dpcdsb.org/CKING>**



P.A. Day - Friday, Sept. 16th

The staff will participate in Faith and Curriculum Development and Reorganization.

Message from our Superintendent Mississauga South C. Saytar



Welcome back to another exciting school year. Special greetings to all those who are new to the Mississauga South Family of Schools. As the Superintendent of Mississauga South Family of Schools, I am excited to be a part of this vibrant and diverse community. Mississauga South consists of 26 schools; 4 secondary and 22 elementary, as well as 8 parishes, each of which supports our students' faith formation and catechetical programming. Our family's jurisdiction is represented by 4 trustees: Sharon Hobin, Peter Ferreira, Bruno Iannicca and Mario Pascucci, each of whom are strong advocates for our schools and Catholic Education. It is our collective hope that you find your school to be a safe, caring, healthy and inclusive Catholic learning environment. It is our aim to provide excellence in Catholic education for your children.

Our Catholic teachers ensure that our young people become more appreciative of the gifts of our faith and realize their distinctive legacy as Catholic citizens. As parents and educators, you are witnesses to the hope that nourishes each child's faith formation and thus are empowered to help these young people in their journey.

Education is a co-operative endeavour and as parents and guardians, you play an absolutely essential role in your children's success. We ask you to set high expectations for your children's academic success. A parent's expectation of success becomes a driving force to motivate a child. When children aren't expected to do well, they often don't. So please don't accept mediocre grades and poor study habits; rather get involved and expect your child to achieve to their fullest potential. There are many ways to do this, such as by supervising homework, fostering reading at home, limiting TV, MSN messaging, video games, and talking with your children about the importance of education.

Your child's faculty have worked hard in preparing for the upcoming school year. The administrative team is prepared to ensure that programming and safety are paramount to your child's success. As parents, you must also set high expectations for your school. We welcome your involvement, support and suggestions which can help us to improve. Specifically, get involved with your children's schoolwork and tell us right away about any possible problems, for example, whether work is too easy or too difficult. Get to know your child's teacher and form a partnership.

I wish all our students a successful academic school year and many blessings.

Behavior & Discipline Expectation Assemblies

The expectations around behaviour and discipline will be reviewed with students by school administration in the Virtues assemblies. The first expectation assembly will take place in September. The Catholic Code of Conduct and academic expectations will be reviewed during this time.

Student Emergency and Early Dismissal Consent Form

In order to update our student records, please complete the *Student Emergency Verification Form and Early Dismissal Consent Form* and return it to your child's teacher as soon as possible. This updated and correct information is essential in the event that your child is injured or the school is faced with an early dismissal of students; we must be able to contact a parent and/or emergency contact person immediately.

Student Insurance

As required by the Education Act and the Ministry of Education, the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board annually provides parents with information about cost-effective student accident insurance coverage via student courier. Although student enrolment is voluntary, the board encourages parents to take advantage of the inexpensive insurance coverage, especially if their child/children participate in sports, excursions/field trips, or, if parents do not have dental insurance coverage. Enrolment is required in writing so there are two options for enrolment: 1) Complete the traditional form and mail it in or 2) Photocopy the form and fax it to Reliable Life at 1-905-522-7211 or 1-800-463-KIDS (5437).

Important Medical Information

Please make sure that the school is aware of any important medical information regarding your son/daughter in order that we can be properly prepared to deal with an emergency situation.



Life-Threatening Food Allergies

While some of the students of Christ the King school have allergies, a few of our students have **life-threatening food allergies**. These students, when exposed to certain foods could have an anaphylactic reaction.

Anaphylaxis should not be confused with a normal allergy. Anaphylaxis is a rapid, severe and life threatening allergic reaction caused by exposure to a trigger (allergen) that can cause death. Examples of anaphylactic triggers are nuts, eggs, fish, bee bites, and penicillin. An anaphylactic reaction requires an epi-pen and immediate medical attention. An anaphylactic reaction intensifies with each exposure to an allergen.

For these students, we need to ensure their safety by taking proactive steps to reduce the risk of exposure to foods that trigger an anaphylaxis response as well as to be prepared in the event that such a response should occur with a child.

A letter will be sent to the students in the class where there is a severe life-threatening food allergy requesting that parents/guardians avoid sending the specified food.

Avoidance

Steps will be taken to reduce the risk for anaphylaxis individuals by preventing exposure to allergens in the first place. Particularly with nuts, the severity of the reaction increases with each exposure. Signs are posted around the school and in specific classrooms. We ask for your cooperation in keeping all of our students safe. Children who do eat nuts must be encouraged to wash carefully afterwards.

Awareness and Training

Individuals who have a severe life-threatening food allergy will be requested to carry their epi-pen on them at all times. Time is crucial for the anaphylactic individual. However, many people believe that if you have a nurse on staff or carry an epi-pen the individual is safe. An anaphylactic shock episode must be treated within 3 minutes by injecting an epi-pen. The epi-pen only provides you with 15-20 minutes before medical aid is required or another epi-pen injection.

Every staff member of Christ The King School will know the name, face, teacher and classroom of the anaphylactic children prior to the school year starting. Steps will be taken to ensure individuals with life-threatening allergies are highlighted and staff are trained to deal with an emergency situation. All students of Christ the King School will be made aware of the precautions to be taken to ensure the safety of students with life threatening allergies. Training for all staff, volunteers, supply teachers, etc. will be given regularly on preventing an anaphylactic reaction, knowing the symptoms, what to do if a reaction occurs and the need for speed.

Food will not be allowed outside at recess times. Students will be given opportunities to eat their snack prior to recess.

School Excursions

Teachers of Christ the King School have been advised to ensure that the safety of individuals with life-threatening food allergies are not put at risk during educational excursions off-site. While the risk can be reduced by not allowing students of Christ The King School to bring foods containing nuts on the excursion, we have no control over other schools that may be in attendance at places such as the Royal Ontario Museum. Should the excursion be to a place that is not “nut free”, parents of students with a life threatening food allergy will be informed of the risk.





Absentee Reporting

Please remember to call the school before 8:30 a.m. and in the afternoon before 12:50 p.m. if your child is going to be absent. Messages can be left on the school answering machine (569-0220 then press 1) between 4:15 p.m. and 8:30

PED Policy It is Board policy that all personal electronic devices (PEDs), must be turned off and not used within school premises (including portables) or during school-sanctioned activities such as retreats, field trips, sport events, etc. To prevent the loss or damage of PEDs, we encourage students to leave their PEDs at home. The School is not responsible for loss and or damages. PEDs may be confiscated and parents / guardians will be notified.



Curriculum/Meet the Teacher Night

You will be given an opportunity to meet your son/daughter's teacher on **Wednesday, September 28, 2011 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.** Please keep this date open on your calendar so that you can attend this very important event.



Christ the King Catholic School Council Family B.B.Q Night

A warm welcome is extended to all families to come to the Family B.B.Q night from **5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.** on **Wednesday, September 28, 2011.** The Family B.B.Q night will take place before Curriculum/Meet The Teacher Night. Pre-order forms will be forthcoming.



Lunch Hour

Children who stay for lunch will remain on school property throughout the lunch period. Only in an emergency situation, and when the request is in writing, will exceptions be considered. Should you wish your child to stay for lunch, please indicate so on the student information card sent home with your son/daughter. Please consider this a lunch contract with minimal variables. Your co-operation in the mutual concern for the safety of our students is appreciated.

Toonie Tuesday's Pizza Days



Pizza days take place once a week on Tuesday's. Students can purchase a slice of pizza for \$2.00. Please note that no pizza orders will be taken over the phone. First Pizza day will take place on September 13th.



Student Agendas

Students in grades 1 to grade 8 will be using Premier Agendas. The cost of the agenda is \$6.50 each, the same price as last year. Please submit the money to the classroom teacher. Students can use the Agenda to note dates of tests, assignments, projects, etc. It can also be used to note study tips and strategies for good work habits. The Student Agenda is the primary form of communication between the school and home.



Crossing Guard

Please remind your children to wait for and cross with the crossing guard (either at McMaster, the Collegeway, or at Garthwood) at all times to further ensure their safety.

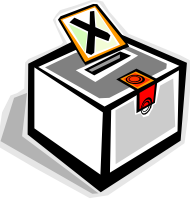


School Photographs

The school photographer will be Edge Imaging. Photographs of students will take place on **Wednesday, September 28th, 2011**

Christ the King Catholic School Council Monthly Meetings

The Christ The King Catholic School Council Meets monthly. All parents of Christ The King School are encouraged and invited to attend these meetings. The date of the first meeting is *Wednesday, October 5th, 2011* at 7:00pm in the amphitheatre.



Elections and Term of Office

The regulations also address the term of office of school council members and the need for elections to be held annually within the first thirty days of the start of the school year. These changes ensure that any parent who is interested in the school council election process or in participating as a member on the school council has the opportunity to do so.

Elections in September ensure that even parents who are new to the school community, such as those with students starting in Junior or Senior Kindergarten, or those whose students are entering secondary school for the first time, will be able to participate in the election of their representatives on the school council. This provision also gives them the opportunity to be considered for election as parent members of their school councils.

The term of office continues to be a one-year term. This enables members to consider, on an ongoing basis, their involvement on their school councils. Should they find a change in their personal situations or circumstances, they may find that they are no longer able to continue with the commitment they made. The one-year term also allows parents to make decisions on a regular basis about how their interests and priorities are represented at the school. It is important to note, however, that the regulation does not restrict the number of times that a member can be re-elected.

School Council nomination forms will be available at the office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. from September 9-15.

Completed nomination forms must be received in the school office by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 15, 2011.

If needed, the election for parent/guardian representative will take place on Thursday, September 22 at 6pm.



Christ the King School Council



is currently looking for:

Chair

Secretary

Treasurer

Parish Representative

Parent Members

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For more information, contact the school office.

Nomination forms available in the office and are due Thursday, September 15th, 2011.

905.569.0220

Homework Policy

Homework, which plays an important role in the relationship between the school and the family, is typically defined as “a learning experience assigned by a teacher, for completion outside of class time, that supports and enriches the learning and development of each student.”

There is no requirement that homework be assigned daily, but when it is assigned, homework must be directly related to what the student is learning in class and has the following characteristics:

- is meaningful and relevant
- is purposefully planning to avoid student overload
- is clearly articulated by the teacher and understood by the students
- is differentiated, as appropriate, to meet student learning
- is reviewed in a timely manner

Homework may also include tasks such as practicing, observing, rehearsing, interviewing, researching and studying.

It is important, therefore, that time spent on homework be balanced with the importance of personal and family wellness and the wide range of family obligations experienced in our society today.

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION CHANGES

Each school year start-up often brings some unexpected changes in terms of enrollment and staffing. Our staff work collaboratively to organize your children and the classes effectively. Please be assured that during reorganization the interest of your children are foremost in our minds. All school organizational plans are subject to review in early September, based on actual enrolment. Where we need to adjust class plans due to unanticipated enrolment fluctuations, you will be notified of these changes prior to September 17th. Should we need to reorganize - you will be notified prior to September 16th.



Parents/Visitors to the School

In our continuing concern for the safety of our students, we would like to minimize the amount of traffic in the school hallways and in the yard - both at arrival and dismissal times. We ask that parents meet their children outside of the school and away from the immediate area of all entrances/exits. Teachers will escort the younger students to and from these doors at all times. **We would also like to ask your co-operation before school and at lunch – to please drop students off and leave the playground area. Should you decide to remain behind we request that you stay behind the concrete barriers or by the bike rack. Please do not wait with your child in the middle of the yard or by the entrance and exit doorways. Staff are on duty from 8:30 am and 12:10 pm. This allows us to monitor the property and ensure that “strangers” are not trespassing on school property. When entering the school, all visitors must go to the office to sign-in and get a visitor’s pass.**

Criminal Reference Check

Is required if you wish to volunteer your services in the school, transport students and assist on trips. 7750 Hurontario Street, Brampton. Copies of the Criminal Reference forms are available in the office. The search results will be mailed to you approximately 4 weeks later. This is for residents of Peel only.

Message from Your Catholic School Trustee-Sharon Hobin

Welcome back to the 2011-2012 school year. To those of you who are parents of children in Junior Kindergarten and new parents and families to Dufferin-Peel, welcome. I know you will be very happy with the education your children will receive.

Your children's teachers have been working hard to get ready for this new year and soon you will have an opportunity to visit the school on Curriculum Night to see the classrooms and meet the teachers. I encourage you to get involved in your children's education by attending or joining your Catholic school council, helping with homework and reading with your children. Studies show that when parents are engaged in their children's education children do better in school.

Always feel free to speak to your children's teachers, vice principal or principal about concerns or questions you may have. And as you know transportation issues are dealt with by our Transportation Department –STOPR. You may find more information in the school newsletter and on our board web site at www.dpcdsb.org. As well look to our web site for an interesting document titled ***Achievement - A Report to our Catholic School Communities***. This newsletter is being distributed to parents/guardians the first week of September, as we begin the 2011-12 school year. This document provides a quick snapshot of some of the Board's accomplishments and activities during the 2010-11 school year.

I am proud to be your Catholic School Trustee. If you have any questions please never hesitate to contact me. We have a provincial election coming in October and I encourage you to become familiar with the issues around education in Ontario and VOTE!

As Canadians, we have a wonderful gift of democracy that many people in other countries do not have.

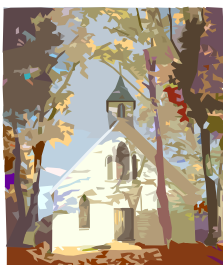
Dufferin-Peel is very proud of the relationship we have fostered between home, school and parish. For nearly 170 years Catholic education has been the foundation for millions of students to develop their full spiritual, academic, physical and social potential. With your faith and support we will continue this journey.

I wish you a wonderful school year and may the good Lord always hold you in the palm of His hand.

All the very best for this school year. You may reach me at (905)301-1210 or sharon.hobin@dpcdsb.org

Christ The King Liturgical Calendar 2011/2012

Opening Mass	Sept. 21, 2011 - 9:15 @ C.T.K. – Liturgical Committee
Feast of Christ The King:	Nov. 21, 2011 – 9:15 @ C.T.K. – Intermediate Students (8)
Advent Evening Mass	Dec. 14, 2011 – 7:00 p.m. @ St. Francis of Assisi Parish – Liturgical Committee
Ash Wednesday Paraliturgy	February 22, 2012- 11:15 @ C.T.K. – Liturgical Committee
Easter Mass	April 25, 2012 – 9:15 @ C.T.K. – Junior Division
Crowning of Mary	May 8, 2011 – 1:00 @ C.T.K. – Primary Division
Year End Mass	June 22, 2012 – 9:15 @ C.T.K. – Intermediate Students (7)
Confirmation Reconciliation/Rehearsal	May 16, 2012 – 9:15 @ St. Francis of Assisi Parish
Sacraments:	First Reconciliation – Gr. 2 – March 1, 2012 – 7:00 p.m. @ St. Francis of Assisi Parish First Eucharist – Gr. 2 – May 6, 2012 – 3:00 @ St. Francis of Assisi Parish Confirmation – Gr. 8 – May 16, 2012 – 7:00 @ St. Francis of Assisi Parish Gr. 2 Staff Meeting with Father Joseph – Sept. 13, 2011 3:45 @ St. Francis of Assisi Parish Gr. 8 Staff Meeting with Father Joseph – Sept. 14, 2011 3:45 @ St. Francis of Assisi Parish
Information Nights:	First Holy Communion – Sept. 29, 2011 – 6:45 @ St. Francis of Assisi Parish Hall Enrollment: Any of the Masses throughout the weekend of Oct.8 & 9, 2011 Confirmation – Parents and candidates – Oct. 19, 2011 – 7:30 p.m. @ St. Francis of Assisi Parish Enrollment: Any of the Masses on the weekend of November 12 & 13, 2011
Graduation	June 20, 2011 – 6:00 p.m. @ C.T.K. School



ACHIEVEMENT

A Report to our Catholic School Communities



Fall 2011

A Tradition of Excellence in Catholic Education

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and senior management, we welcome you to the 2011-12 school year. We are pleased that you have chosen a Catholic education for your child(ren) and promise to work hard to ensure that every student has every opportunity to achieve success. As we start the new school year, we would also like to make you aware of the tremendous amount of work that has taken place throughout the system over the past year. In that spirit, we are pleased to provide you with a snapshot report that outlines in bullet format, the work that has taken place over the past year; work that will impact this and future school and board activities. Throughout the year, we will strive to keep you apprised of achievements, issues and events as they unfold. We encourage you to get involved with Catholic education through your local school council and to keep informed of issues and events by visiting our website at www.dpccsb.org where you can sign up for our free news and information service, eCommunity.

As we begin the new year, we will continue to work with our partners in education, you, the parents and guardians, our parishes, the Ministry of Education, Ontario Catholic School Trustees Association and others, to provide your children with a Catholic education that will serve them well as they strive to become, not only good, well rounded students, but responsible citizens as well. We welcome your feedback and input. To find out more about your local trustee and the role they play in Catholic education, our website is a great place to visit. We hope that this snapshot provides you with a glimpse of the work that we do on behalf of your children and Catholic education.

Anna Abbruscato - Chair

John B. Kostoff - Director of Education

Snapshot of Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board accomplishments and activities during the 2010-11 School Year

- Catholicity System Update
- Approved, for the fifth consecutive year, a balanced budget
- Invested \$4 million for Special Education Services and additional support for Full Day Learning
- Approved construction of two new schools in Brampton
- Launched Dufferin-Peel Baptismal Program with local parishes
- Initiated enrolment management strategy for boundaries for St. Edmund Campion Secondary and St. Rita Elementary schools
- Accepted Year-end Statistical Report on Information and Privacy for 2010
- Accepted Personal Health Information Statistical Report for Privacy Commissioner 2010
- Accepted Update on Green Initiatives from the System Directions and the Board Strategic Plan
- Approved Tender for new Loyola Catholic Secondary School
- Appointed external members to the Audit Committee
- Elected OCSTA Regional Directors
- Accepted Student Transportation Overview presentation, by the Ministry of the Education, regarding questions asked by Trustees
- Acknowledged presentation by Peel Public Health regarding new Nutritional Programs at the secondary level and recognized piloted schools
- Received Update on the Ontario Catholic Student Leadership Conference
- Completed Our Story, Our Tradition, Our Journey, a new student resource text that identifies the history of Catholic education, the role that the local churches and parishes played in Peel Region/Dufferin County and ways to closer link parishes and schools
- Approved Year 3, 4 and 5 Full Day Kindergarten sites
- Created 3-year Capital Plan that identifies Catholic priorities in Dufferin-Peel, and forwarded to the government
- Approved Public Consultation for budget and regular monthly public budget updates
- Approved Award of Merit to be presented in September 2011 to Religious and Diocesan Orders that were instrumental in the founding of Dufferin-Peel
- Re-named Blessed Trinity School
- Received Ad Hoc Transportation Committee recommendations
- Received regular, monthly Ontario Catholic School Trustees Association updates on Provincial activities
- Accepted Monthly STOPR updates
- Received Integrated Ridership Discipline and Supervision Procedures
- Initiated proposed revision to transportation eligibility
- Accepted STOPR Operational Procedures
- Approved Revised Budget Estimates for 2010-2011
- Created Student Voice Council, comprised of School Prime Ministers, which will meet during the year with the board
- Set boundaries for Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Elementary School
- Received, through the Financial Services Department, presentation of the Transportation Consortium effectiveness and efficiency reviews
- Received report on the secondary schools Scholarship and Awards Committee
- Reviewed report on Succession Planning for the next 15 years on both Corporate and Instructional sides
- Received presentation of the Attendance Support Program and implementation procedures
- Reviewed report on Supporting Diverse Learners in the Early Years
- Acknowledged re-engagement strategy for Grade 12 and beyond, and students who have yet to be successful in graduation
- Initiated French Immersion Guardian/Parent Interest Survey
- Approved Provincial Briefing Report to local Members of Provincial parliament on areas of concern of the Dufferin-Peel community
- Catholic Community, Culture & Caring School Climate Survey - Students
- Received Pillars of the Catholic Board Learning Plans

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- Received report on the Eco-Greening Initiatives and Certification
- Approved Equity and Inclusion Strategy
- Received presentation for Catholic Education Week
- Received Overseas Excursion report
- Election of student representatives to the Board of Trustees
- Received Review of Service Coordination in the Dufferin-Peel Region, from Birth to 24
- Received Review of School Health Support Services Report from the Ministry of Education
- Received System Directions Overview by the Director of Education, based on the Strategic Plan
- Approved recommendations to the 2011 Budget Process
- Goal Setting for the Special Education Advisory Committee & alignment to the Catholic Board Learning Plan
- Approved publication of the document, Role of the Trustee, for wide distribution
- Approved publication of the document, Dealing with Complaints, for wide distribution
- Established Ad Hoc Committee with Peel District School Board Trustees to discuss issues of joint concern regarding transportation
- Approved change in walking distance ratios
- Established budget priorities for the 2010-2011 school budget
- Additional years for growth at Cardinal Ambrozic Catholic Secondary School, St. Roch Catholic Secondary School and St. Michael Catholic Secondary School
- Signed agreement with the City of Mississauga regarding track and field facilities at the new Loyola Catholic Secondary School site
- Received review and analysis of EQAO test results for Grades 3,6,10 for all, including diverse learners
- Received review of strategies to improve the graduation rates of Grade 12 students at the Secondary level
- Conducted Public Budget Consultation with community stakeholders
- Approved massive review and revision of 86 by-laws and procedures
- Approved expansion of French Immersion sites through board budget
- Reached agreement on the first DECE contract for the Full Day Learning Program
- Received review and monitoring of student achievement, student graduation rates, programs and services
- Received delegations on a variety of topics at Board and Committee meetings throughout the year
- Initiated and conducted professional in-servicing of Trustees regarding suspension and appeals
- Initiated and conducted professional in-servicing of Trustees on governance issues
- Initiated and conducted professional in-servicing of Trustees on transportation
- Regularly bring forward concerns from rate payers related to policy or issues in their wards
- Over one-third of our schools Eco-Certified as Green Schools
- Conducted application process for community representatives to the Audit Committee
- Held regular meetings with the Regional Audit Team
- Created Risk Assessment document
- Internal Audits randomly conducted at schools
- Appointed external auditors
- Construction of Our Lady of Lourdes -new elementary school opening in September in Brampton
- Approved renovations related to FDK at four schools and retrofits at four schools to accommodate Full Day Kindergarten Program
- Approved energy saving initiatives of roof top solar voltaic panels at five schools and installation of energy efficient lighting, thermostatic controls at three schools. Replacement and repairs coming to six roofs and upgrades to mechanical and electrical systems at 24 schools
- Allocated one time funding utilization of \$1.5 million for Science Textbooks and \$2.0 million for other subject textbooks
- Successfully implemented inaugural year of Full Day Kindergarten
- Aligned Catholic Board Learning Plan, Catholic Board Corporate Plan and System Direction
- Expanded Pathways and Specialist High Skills Major program
- Development of staff capacity to support students with mental health needs
- Drafted New Policy, School Food and Beverage
- Revised Policy 4.04, Educational Trips
- Revised Policy 1.25, Pupils with an Anaphylactic Allergy
- Revised Policy 1.75, Chapels in Secondary Schools
- Revised Policy 4.25, Noon Hour - Supervision
- Revised Regulations 6.59, School Graduations
- Draft of Revised Policy/Regulations 1.10, Admissions
- Revised Policy 7.20, Video Security Surveillance Systems in Schools
- Revised Policy 5.10, Public Health
- Revised Policy 1.20, Advertising Materials
- Received Dashboard updates on the implementation of Strategic Plan System Directions, from the Human Resources Department, Mississauga South Family of Schools, Brampton North East Family of Schools, Brampton East/Caledon/Dufferin/Malton Family of Schools, Mississauga North Family of Schools, Mississauga East Family of Schools, Mississauga Brampton Central Family of Schools, Special Education and Student Services, Program, Brampton West Family of Schools, Student Success Support Initiatives, Planning and Operations, Corporate Services and Employee Relations.

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