

September 8, 2006

An Important Notice from the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board
Regarding the Proposed Deficit Management Plan

Dear Parents and Guardians:

On September 5, a letter was sent home with students that provided an update on the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board's budget deficit. The board has a 2006-07 budget deficit of \$16.6 million. Under an agreement with the Ministry of Education, the board must submit a Deficit Management Plan to the Ministry that would see the board balance its budget within two years. The plan must be submitted by September 22.

At a special meeting of the board's Administration & Finance Committee held on September 6, the board received and reviewed a two-year Deficit Management Plan prepared by staff and a special advisor appointed by the Ministry of Education. This plan is available on the board website at www.dpccsb.org.

The proposed Deficit Management Plan outlines a series of program and service reductions that will have an impact on the classroom. The board will meet again on September 11 and 14 to further discuss the plan. A final decision will be made at the September 14 meeting. Both meetings are open to the public and start at 6:00 p.m. at the Catholic Education Centre, 40 Matheson Blvd. West, Mississauga (Huronario/Matheson).

We feel it is important that parents/guardians have the opportunity to hear more about the proposal and to provide feedback, or voice questions or concerns. In this regard, in addition to the above meetings, we have organized a public information meeting for the Brampton/Caledon/Dufferin communities on the following date. We invite you to attend. If you require further information, please contact your local Catholic school.

Public Information Meeting

Date: Wednesday, September 13
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: St. Marguerite d'Youville
Catholic Secondary School
10815 Dixie Road, Brampton

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