

**DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

**BOARD POLICY / REGULATIONS**

<b>Board</b>	<b>Policy</b>
<b>Number:</b>	<b>8.13</b>
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Sweatshop Free Uniform Purchasing</b>
<b>Effective Date:</b>	<b>(817) September 25, 2007</b>

In keeping with its commitment to reflect Catholic values to abide by the Social Teaching of the Church and its own Mission and Vision Statement, the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board is committed to promote, advance and protect the just cause of the poor and the marginalized.

**REGULATIONS**

**8.13 Sweatshop Free Uniform Purchasing**

These regulations ensure that any agreement, to purchase from or issue an exclusive license agreement with a supplier of school apparel (school and physical education uniforms), includes assurances prior to the execution of any school apparel contract that the apparel was and will continue, for the life of the contract to be procured in keeping with the provisions and procurement requirements of the Suppliers Fair Labour Practices Agreement.

As a result, the Purchasing Department of the Board:

- \* will ensure that a supplier signs the Suppliers Fair Labour Practices Agreement before any Dufferin-Peel Catholic District school places any orders with the supplier;
- \* will inform apparel purchasers, within the Board, of the policy requirements and review annually compliance thereof;
- \* will review legitimate non-adherence complaints to the policy;
- \* will address breaches of this policy with a view to termination of contracts with companies that are unable or unwilling to comply with this policy, through its Request for Proposal process and any Agreements which are entered into by the Board as a result thereof;
- \* will ensure that the Board maintain membership status and correspondence with a third party monitoring organization endorsed by the Catholic Church in Canada.