

**DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**  
**BOARD POLICY / REGULATIONS**

<b>Board Policy Number:</b>	<b>6.55</b>
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Schools, New and Amalgamated – Naming of</b>
<b>Effective Date:</b>	<b>(240) April 22, 2003; Revised (161) May 26, 2009</b>

The Board will name all new and amalgamated schools in accordance with Catholic tradition.

**REGULATIONS**

**6.55 Schools, New and Amalgamated- Naming of**

1. The Superintendent of Planning and Development will be responsible for managing the process for the naming of new and/or amalgamated schools.
2. Schools will be named within one (1) month of the appointment of an architect, at the latest.
3. The Superintendent of Planning and Development will convene a meeting of all Trustee(s) who represent the area, or part of the area, from which the school draws students.
4. After appropriate consultation with the Catholic community, Catholic School Council(s) and the pastors of the area, the area Trustee(s) will select three (3) possible names for the school.
5. Names proposed, for either elementary or secondary schools, will not be names already in use by existing schools, in Dufferin-Peel.
6. The area Trustee(s) will present the three (3) names, in official format, to the Board, and a name will be chosen by ballot.
7. All names of schools in use at the time this policy is adopted will remain in their established form.
8. The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board will name all new and amalgamated schools after canonized Saints or pioneers in Catholic education in Ontario, subject to the approval of the Archdiocese of Toronto.

9. Two Trustees may place the name of a pioneer in Catholic education before the Board for naming of a school. The Administration and Finance Committee will examine the history of the name placed before the Board to determine what is the nature of the person's contribution and how they pioneered Catholic education in Dufferin-Peel.
10. The term "Catholic" will be used in the official name of a school, and all school signage will include the term "Catholic". Schools containing grades from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8 will use the term 'elementary' in the name. Schools containing grades 9 - 12 will use the term 'secondary' in their name.
11. In instances where the designation of an existing or of an amalgamated school's namesake has been changed by the Church, through the canonization process; i.e., Venerable, Blessed, Saint, the school name shall be changed to reflect the new designation, and/or, in instances where an existing or an amalgamated school did not previously include the word *Catholic* in its official name, the word *Catholic* shall be added to the official school name.