

The Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education



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OAPCE is a voice for parents that helps
to protect and promote publicly funded
Catholic Education in Ontario



Who is the Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education (OAPCE)?

We are the only Ministry of Education recognized organization that advocates for protection and promotion of Catholic Education in Ontario.

OAPCE Elevates the profile of a publicly funded Catholic system of education by providing opportunities for ongoing information sharing, resources, learning, networking and community building.

What OAPCE does

- Directors sit on working tables / committees of the Ministry of Education
- Active member of EQAO assessment
- Partner on Institute of Catholic Education (ICE)
- Organizes yearly parent engagement conference
- Communicates with parents across the province (Website, Facebook, Twitter)

Why do we need to have an OAPCE Representative?

The Ontario Education Act, Regulation 612/00 states, "3. (1) A school council for a school shall be composed of the following people ... 8. One person appointed by an association that is a member of the Ontario Federation of Home and School Associations, the Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education or Parent Partenaires en Education, if the association that is a member of the Ontario Federation of Home and School Associations, the Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education or Parent Partenaires en Education is established in respect of the school."

OAPCE Representative Role

OAPCE is the voice of parents that promotes and protects publicly funded Catholic Education in Ontario.

- Voting Additional Parent member on School Council
- Be a point of contact for information sharing between OAPCE and School Council

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MISSION

Through our connection to home, school and church, OAPCE collaborates with local and provincial education partners to strengthen the parent voice.

VISION

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WHO WE ARE

Founded in 1939, OAPCE consists of volunteer parents from across the province who serve as OAPCE liaison representatives and sit on the Board of Directors.

We are a vital connection between the Ministry of Education, Catholic District School Boards in Ontario, the Institute of Catholic Education, Ontario Catholic Trustees, Parish, Regional Parent's Associations, School Councils and other valuable parent groups.

We are a prominent advocate for Catholic education excellence, and student success.

We have representatives on many Ministry of Education's initiatives and Working Tables such as Curriculum Review, Student Achievement Division, Minister's Partnership Table, EQAO's Assessment Review Committee, Healthy Schools, and others. We are an equal partner on the Institute of

Catholic Education (ICE) Board of Directors, Curriculum Review and provide a parent perspective to the provincial media including the Catholic Register and Salt and Light TV.

We invite parents in Catholic education all across Ontario to participate in the only Annual Conference for Catholic Education which consists of keynote speakers, celebrations of our faith and workshops related to parenting, navigating and enhancing our education system and supporting student achievement in Ontario.

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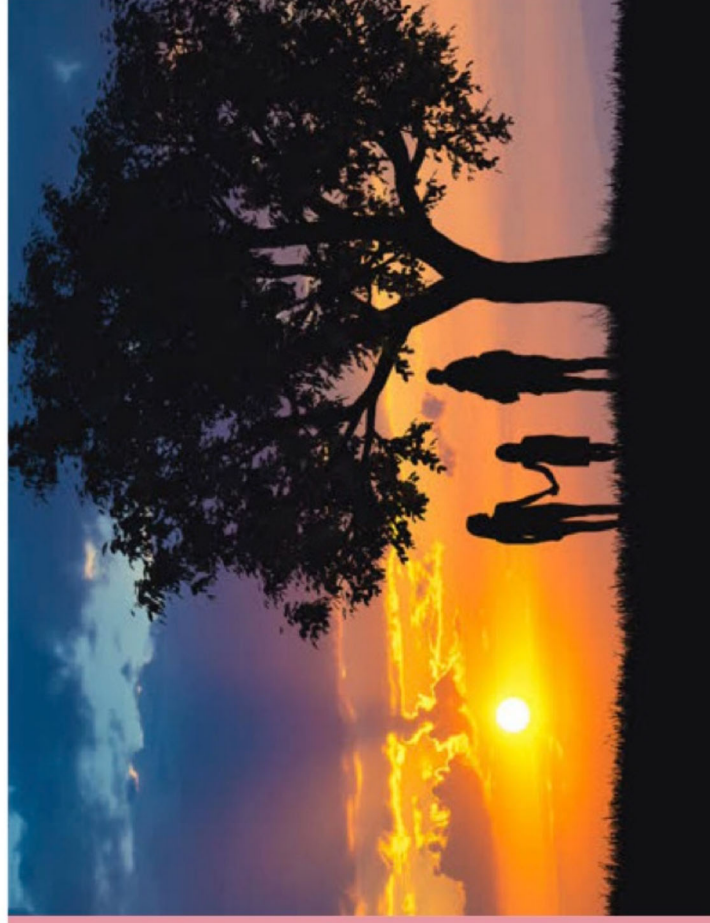
Education through Regulation 612 of the Education Act representing the parents/guardians of children in the publicly funded system of Catholic education.

Our mandate is to assist with the education and training for parents regarding school council operations, increasing parental involvement, improving student and school performance, and other matters related to the Catholic education system. We advocate for the highest quality of education for each child according to his or her physical, mental, social and spiritual needs by working with the Ministry of Education and other partners in forums, workshops, and/or working groups.

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the pillars of Catholic education
in Ontario.*

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Liaison Representative for your school!