



NCDSB From the Board Room

NOVEMBER 18, 2023



Sacred Heart Catholic School was highlighted as the November *School of the Month*. The school submitted a video presentation covering many aspects of life at the school including academics, sports, and other school activities. The video was accompanied by a wonderful song named, themed, and created in the school's honour by local musician Jamie Taylor.

Policy

The following policies passed first reading at this month's Board meeting:

- B-8 Purchasing
- B-9 Administrative Expenses
- E-20 Response to Tragic Events
- E-21 Indigenous Self-Identification
- F-1 Accessibility Standards
- P-12 NCDSB Staff Uniforms

These updated policies can be found by visiting www.ncdsb.on.ca/policies.php



Annual Meeting of the Board

As required by the Education Act, elections are held on a yearly basis for the positions of chair and vice-chair. We congratulate Trustee Glenn Sheculski who was acclaimed as Chair of the Board and Trustee Elizabeth King who was acclaimed as Vice-Chair.

Student Trustees' Report

It was a busy month at OHS! The student trustees' shared a number of events including Remembrance Day, Breast Cancer Awareness and Halloween activities. They also reported on a few athletic events including the advancement to OFSAA for the Senior Girls basketball team and a number of x-country runners. Co-op, SHSM and RYLA were also highlighted. AND..... It's Official....another OHS Musical is coming! What will it be?!

Launch of Pastoral Plan

Tricia Weltz, Director of Education shared a presentation regarding the launch of the NCDSB's first Pastoral Plan – *A place where we all belong*. The pastoral plan will live out over three years, with annual themes and focus areas to be celebrated across the district. The annual themes will serve as the basis for school and system-based projects, events, and activities. Our annual themes will align with the liturgical calendar of the church, beginning during Advent each year.

The pastoral plan has been broken down into three different themes and will be celebrated over the course of each year:

- I belong.**
- We belong.**
- We belong together.**



Math Achievement Action Plan

Daphne Brumwell, Superintendent of Education presented an overview of the Math Achievement Action Plan, as required by the Ministry of Education.

Informed by the ministry's *Taking Action in Mathematics* framework, the plan must include three sections:

- All schools report to provide board-wide improvement efforts and results in mathematics;
- Priority schools report to provide intensive improvement efforts;
- Priority Schools Provincial key performance indicator report to provide intentional monitoring of student achievement.

The ministry has identified several NCDSB schools as priority schools based on the most recent EQAO math assessment results. Targeted strategies must be implemented in those schools. They are:

Grade 6

- Bishop Belleau
- Holy Family
- Aileen Wright English Catholic
- Sacred Heart Catholic
- St. Patrick
- St. Patrick Catholic
- St. Anne English Catholic
- English Catholic Central
- St. Joseph School

Grade 3

- Bishop Belleau
- Holy Family
- St. Patrick Catholic
- Pope Francis Elementary
- St. Anne English Catholic
- Aileen Wright English Catholic

Staffing News

This month the NCDSB welcomed new permanent staff:

- 6 support staff
- 2 teaching staff

Best Wishes
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There were 4 resignations including the January retirement of OHS Teacher Dan Loreto.

Congratulations Dan!

Next Meeting - December Board Meeting, December 13, 2023

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