NORTHEASTERN CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

SEPTEMBER 23, 2026 | PUBLIC BOARD MEETING

Rooted in Belonging. Growing Together.

✦ Growing Together in Faith

The Board received an overview of the 2026–2029 Pastoral Plan, *Rooted in Belonging. Growing Together.* The plan focuses on growth in faith, hope and love over three years, with 2026–2027 centered on Growing in Faith.

WHY IT MATTERS The plan offers a shared foundation for nurturing Catholic identity, spirituality and belonging across our school communities.

✦ Supporting Students and Families (SFSO)

The Board received an update on the Student and Family Support Office (SFSO), established September 1, 2026. The office provides families with an additional pathway for support when navigating questions or concerns related to their child's education. Schools remain the first point of contact for school-based matters.

WHY IT MATTERS The office creates another pathway to support families in finding assistance and feeling heard.

✦ Investing in Our Schools

Over the summer, work continued on a variety of school improvement projects across the district, including roofing, ventilation, electrical upgrades, water supply replacements and other facility improvements. Many projects are now complete or nearly finished, with the remaining work scheduled to continue through the fall and into the winter.

WHY IT MATTERS Safe, functional and welcoming facilities support students and staff.

✦ Student Voice at the Board Table

Student Trustee Jacob Dunkley shared updates on what's happening at O'Gorman High School, highlighting student activities, achievements, events and initiatives.
The report provides trustees with a student perspective and helps keep the Board connected to school life and the experiences of our students.

WHY IT MATTERS Student perspectives help connect governance discussions to students' experiences.

✦ Governance in Action

As part of our regular policy review cycle, a number of NCDSB policies are reviewed each month and brought forward to the Board of Trustees for consideration. This month, several policies passed first reading. These policies are posted for a public consultation period, giving staff, families and community members an opportunity to review proposed changes and share their feedback. Visit this month's consultation section by visting https://ncdsb.on.ca/our-board/policies-procedures/

WHY IT MATTERS Regular policy reviews help keep our policies relevant and up to date, while providing opportunities for our school communities to have a voice in the process.