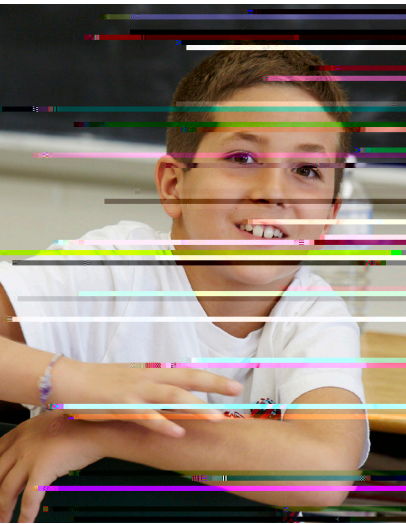


2013-14 Director's Annual Report

Extraordinary lives start with a great Catholic education



Dufferin-Peel
Catholic District
School Board

Catholic Education is Flourishing in Dufferin-Peel



2014-15 Budget: good news for students

Dufferin-Peel's operating budget for 2014-15 is \$855.5 million. Highlights include new

2013-14 Highlights

Meeting our Strategic Plan Goals

Catholicity

We are called to affirm our Catholic Faith in word and action.

- The board adopted a newly-revised Kindergarten to Grade 8 catechetical program.
- Dufferin-Peel staff played a major role in the development and expansion of the "Make the Call" Vocational Program.
- The board initiated the first graduate exit survey related to the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations.
- Secondary schools participated in the third annual Interschool Mass and Pilgrimage on April 3 and the first ever Province-wide Mass for Catholic Education on May 7.
- Celebrated Catholic Education Week with events and activities in every school across the board.
- Students and staff supported ShareLife and United Way of Peel through fundraising campaigns to support local community service agencies.
- Students and staff provided ongoing awareness and support of a wide range of local and global charitable causes.

Learning Environment

We champion the development of the whole child through a caring and inclusive environment.

- Opened the St. James Catholic Global Learning Centre in Port Credit for elementary students. Board looked at future sites in Brampton to host an additional elementary IB site.



Physical Environment

We are committed to a clean, healthy and safe school environment that enhances student learning

- All 149 schools received EcoSchool Certification (one of only two boards in the Province).
- Opened two new elementary schools in Brampton: St. Andre Bessette Catholic Elementary School and St. Jean-Marie Vianney Catholic Elementary School, and St. James Catholic Global Learning Centre in Mississauga.
- Approved Purchase and Sale Agreements for two future elementary school sites, one in Mississauga and another in Brampton.
- Continued additions, renovations and improvements at 27 schools in preparation for the implementation of Year 4 of the Full-Day Kindergarten program.
- Secured approval from the Ministry of Education to invest in the board's capital priorities projects.

Community Engagement

We value involvement of community partnerships in the life of the school.

- Provided ongoing parent engagement opportunities through Catholic School Councils, Special Education Advisory Committee, and Parent Reaching Out (PRO) Grants, etc.
- Launched a new board website and marketing strategy.
- Issued report to the community on board activities and accomplishments over the past year.
- Enhanced community communication through increased use of social media, eCommunity news and email subscription service, broadcast of upcoming board and school-based events and issues and posting of media releases and advisories.
- Co-hosted the Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education 75th Anniversary Conference and Annual General Meeting.

Parish | Home | School

We believe that a strong partnership between Parish, Home and School is based on mutual respect rooted in our Catholic Faith.

- Renewed baptismal kit program at all affiliated Catholic parishes to promote Catholic education in Dufferin-Peel.
- Received strong support from our pastors through participation in our strategic system review process.
- Co-promoted school and parish relationships as part of Catholic Education Week 2014.
- Distribution of Board-Parish Connection nets to B at in D

DPCDSB Schools 100% EcoSchool Certified

Dufferin-Peel's 149 Catholic schools are now 100% EcoSchool certified. Dufferin-Peel began implemen-

Reinvestment of Accumulated Surplus

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