



## REPORT TO THE HURON-PERTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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# BOARD HIGHLIGHTS FOR MARCH

Public Session

## **BACKGROUND**

Many activities take place every month throughout the district to ensure that our students have rich, faith-filled, inclusive learning opportunities that support their learning and fulfill the goals of the Strategic Plan. The Board Highlights list many of the activities that take place in the month prior to the board meeting, with contributions from Superintendents of Education, Learning Coordinators, the Mental Health Lead, the OYAP Project Lead, and Managers of activities that take place under their leadership.

## **DEVELOPMENTS**

The spiritual theme anchoring our Strategic Plan is “On Fire With The Spirit: Awaken! Illuminate! Rejoice!” Inspired by the Holy Spirit and enlivened by the Pentecost story, we continue to go forward full of faith, hope, love and joy. We are excited about the incredible learning and growth that propels us forward as we journey together throughout the school year. March marks the beginning of a new liturgical season. As we engage in Lent 2026, we are reminded of the opportunity to reflect and renew. At all times, learning is ideally marked by reflection, renewal, enthusiasm and commitment by our students, staff, educators and families to continue to improve. We are delighted to highlight some of the activities and opportunities that took place this month across our district.

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## ***CATHOLIC EDUCATION***

### **Catholic Student Leadership Team Retreat**

Over 40 students attended the Catholic Student Leadership Team retreat March 4 and 5 at Camp Kintail, in Huron County. The theme of the retreat was “Let your Light Shine” (Matthew 5:14). Students reflected on the understanding that God has given each student unique gifts (lights) and on addressing the fears (shadows) that prevent them from shining. Plenty of opportunities for team-building and fun also occurred. Fr. Don Pumputis and Fr. Joseph Onome Oghenejabor joined us to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Adoration on Thursday night. Fr. Joseph stayed with us and celebrated Mass on Friday. We are so thankful they could be with our youth. This retreat was planned by our Religion and Family Life Coordinator in partnership with our secondary school Chaplains. Board Chaplain Deacon Dan was also present. Superintendent McDade visited the retreat on the first day and observed that this was a group of young leaders and adults who were “on fire with the Holy Spirit”.