



Ontario Catholic School
Trustees' Association

The Joy of Service



- As members of the Catholic community, Catholic School Trustees share in the joy of providing an education that addresses the spiritual, moral, academic and physical needs of our young people.
- Catholic School Trustees are encouraged by the knowledge that the contribution of their skills, experience and time is an investment in the future leadership of our communities, our Catholic schools, our country and our Church.

"Be who God meant you to be
and you will set the world on fire."

— St. Catherine of Sienna



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A CALL TO SERVICE

Catholic School Trustees

Advocates, Servant Leaders, Politicians
and Stewards of Catholic Education



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Catholic Schools are faith communities which...

- engage students in a life-long faith journey rooted in the person of Jesus
- nurture spirituality through a Gospel-centred approach to learning in all subjects
- impart knowledge through religious education and family life education programs

"The perspective of life which Catholic education provides to its graduates is of benefit not only to them, their families and their Church, but to the common good of all citizens."

"For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves." (Luke 22:27)

Catholic School Trustees are accountable to Catholic school electors for...

- establishing the system's mission and multi-year strategic plan
- supporting student achievement in the school community
- establishing and monitoring the annual budget
- developing policies to ensure the efficient operation of the board
- determining the type, size and location of schools
- hiring the Director of Education and other staff

Catholic School Boards need Trustees who...

- have a vision of Catholic education that is Christ-centred
- are committed to educating students in the Roman Catholic tradition
- are willing to work with all partners within and beyond the Catholic education community
- are willing to devote time to prayer and reflection, to meetings, to public functions and to addressing concerns of Catholic school voters

✓ Legal Qualifications

To be eligible for election to a four-year term as a Catholic School Trustee, you must be:

- ✓ a Roman Catholic
- ✓ a Catholic school supporter
- ✓ a resident within the jurisdiction of the district Catholic school board
- ✓ a Canadian citizen
- ✓ at least 18 years of age



You call me teacher and Lord; and you are right, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example that you also should do as I have done to you." (John 13:13-15)