

# **NEWS RELEASE FROM THE CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF EASTERN ONTARIO**

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## **Sacred Heart Catholic School Featured in Province-Wide Webcast**

**Cornwall, ON** - Curriculum Services Canada is featuring Sacred Heart Catholic School in Cornwall in a webcast entitled *All Children Can Achieve: A Focus on Equity of Outcome* presented by Ontario's Literacy and Numeracy Secretariat.

The webcast focuses on the current demographic realities in Ontario. The presentation highlights educators that are committed to the success of all students regardless of outside factors. It also confirms the positive impact these educators are having on student learning and well-being.

Sacred Heart Catholic School was one of only 8 schools from across Ontario to be chosen as an example of this commitment to success. Principal Stephanie Burke, Grade 3-4 teacher Angie Beauregard, and Grade 5-6 teacher Liz McGillis represented the school by sharing examples of best practices through the broadcast.

Principal Burke stated, "It was an honour to be able to share some of our achievements. This was a wonderful opportunity to showcase our staff's commitment to our children as well as to highlight how our Catholic School Council, parents and volunteers all share the common goal of success for all students."

Ms. Burke talks of how Sacred Heart Catholic School has worked to overcome numerous academic challenges and experienced a significant increase in EQAO scores. The school was also recognized for efforts made to accommodate students with special needs, so that they too can take part in EQAO assessments and be successful.

CDSBEO programs such as F.R.O.G. (Facilitating Reading for Optimum Growth) and H.A.W.K. (Higher Achievement in Writer's Know-How) were also recognized for the impact they are having on student success.

Superintendent of Education Jane McMillan said the school was an excellent choice to represent the Board. "Sacred Heart is a wonderful example of how an entire Catholic school community can dedicate itself to the success of every child. The increase in the EQAO

assessment results is a testament to that dedication. The Board is pleased that Sacred Heart was able to share its best practices through this webcast.”

The Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario operates 40 elementary and 10 secondary schools across 8 counties. The CDSBEO offers excellence in Catholic education through provincial-leading programs to approximately 15,000 students.