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CDSBEO Students Outperform Province on Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics

Kemptville, ON – Results from the 2010-2011 Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) student assessments for the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario (CDSBEO) show students continue the Board's tradition of success while surpassing the provincial average in each category.

Director of Education, Wm. J. Gartland, stated, "The assessment results show that our staff continues the collaborative effort to help each student achieve personal success. Academic success is one facet of the quality Catholic education we provide our students as we strive to help them become positive, contributing citizens of their Catholic communities."

The results are for CDSBEO students participating in the primary and junior assessments of reading, writing and mathematics, written in Grades 3 and 6, and the secondary school assessment of mathematics, written in Grade 9.

Board Chair, Ron Eamer, stated, "As a Board, we have a common goal to create the most positive learning environment possible for our students. Our students' successes in the EQAO assessments show that our staff is succeeding in making that goal a reality. I look forward to many years of continued success."

Results

EQAO measures results by four levels of achievement, aligned with the four levels of achievement used by the Ministry of Education. The Ministry of Education has established Level 3 (B- to B+ in elementary schools, or 70% to 79% in secondary schools) as the provincial standard. Students who meet the standard have a solid grasp of the required knowledge and skills and are prepared to advance to the next grade level.

The following tables outline the number of students in Grades 3, 6 and 9 achieving or surpassing the provincial target. The provincial average is also provided. (Results are based

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on the number of all students enrolled in Grades 3, 6 and 9, including those who did not participate.)

Grade 3 Results

Grade 3	2010-2011 CDSBEO Assessment Results*	Provincial Results*
Reading	72	65
Writing	81	73
Mathematics	72	69

Grade 6 Results

Grade 6	2010-2011 CDSBEO Assessment Results*	Provincial Results*
Reading	78	74
Writing	76	73
Mathematics	62	58

Grade 9 Results

Grade 9	2010-2011 CDSBEO Assessment Results*	Provincial Results*
Academic	86	83
Applied	50	42

**results are percentage of students reaching or surpassing the Ministry of Education's target*

Superintendent of School Effectiveness, Charlotte Rouleau, stated the results show the success of the Board's strategic plan. "Our long-term strategies continue to show positive results, as we work for our students to improve their abilities to read, write and do math at a high level. Our curriculum team, along with school teams, will study the EQAO assessments resulting in data that will allow us to further develop our teaching strategies to sustain, and advance, our students' success."

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