

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION

In order to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission issued 94 Calls to Action. The CDSBEO is committed to Education and Reconciliation in regards to Call to Action 62:

62. We call upon the federal, provincial, and territorial governments, in consultation and collaboration with Survivors, Aboriginal peoples, and educators, to:

- i. Make age-appropriate curriculum on residential schools, Treaties, and Aboriginal peoples' historical and contemporary contributions to Canada a mandatory education requirement for Kindergarten to Grade Twelve students.

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

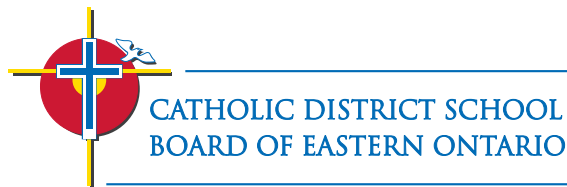
Dear Parents,

The Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario continues to be committed to excellence in Catholic education. We strive to ensure the highest quality education for all students, including our First Nations, Métis and Inuit students.

I invite Indigenous parents and students to confidentially and voluntarily self-identify so that relevant information can be collected that will allow us to provide programs and strategies that will support the particular learning needs of First Nations, Métis and Inuit students.

We are committed to forging strong partnerships with Indigenous parents and their communities. Thank you for choosing to send your children to our Catholic schools.

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“The Christian vision regarding the value of the human person and his or her journey is passed on only through community. Therefore, it is imperative that everyone in the Catholic community shares the responsibility to educate our young people.”

(Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectations)



CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL
BOARD OF EASTERN ONTARIO

Voluntary Self-Identification for First Nations, Métis and Inuit Students



SHOW YOUR PRIDE:
HEART, MIND, BODY AND SOUL

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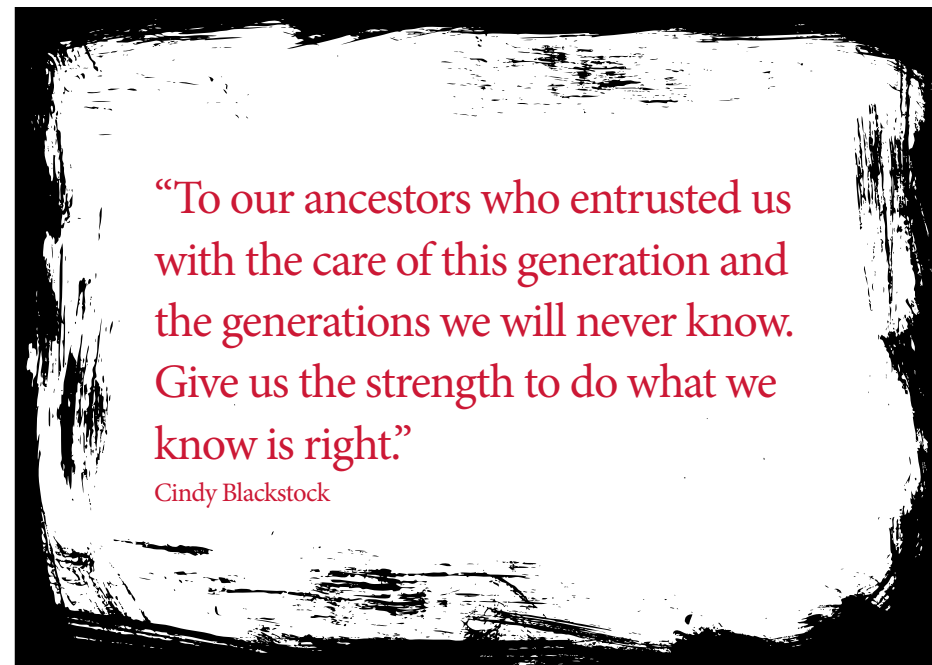
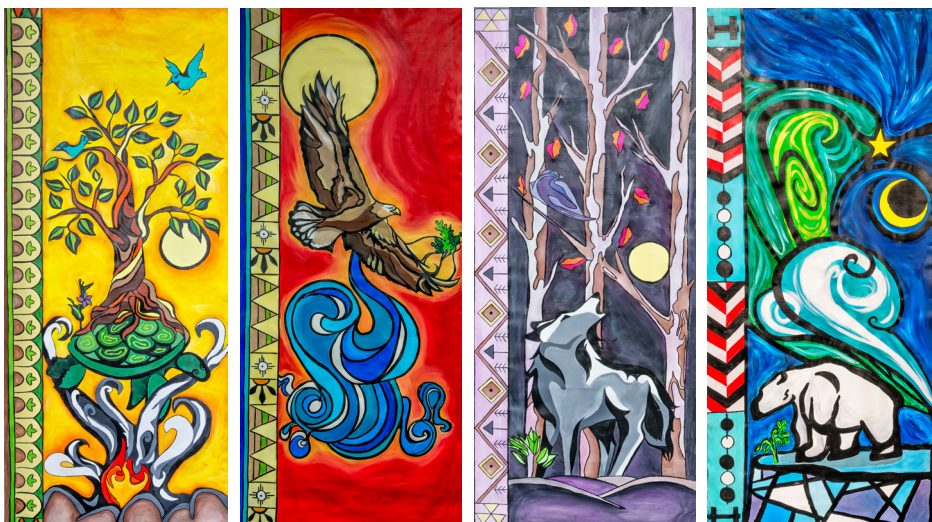
The Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario is committed to helping all students succeed. Our Catholic schools provide educational programs and services for students with a variety of learning needs and abilities. To better meet the unique strengths and needs of First Nations, Métis and Inuit students we are encouraging participation in voluntary self-identification.

WHAT IS INDIGENOUS SELF-IDENTIFICATION?

- It provides an opportunity for First Nations, Métis and Inuit students to identify their ancestry;
- It is voluntary;
- It is confidential;
- It can be done when registering or updating student information, or at any time by contacting the principal at your school. Forms can be found online on at www.cdsbeo.on.ca/our-programs/aboriginal-education/ or at www.fnmi.cdsbeo.on.ca

WHY SHOULD YOU PARTICIPATE?

- To monitor and support Indigenous student success;
- To be eligible for opportunities for Indigenous students such as the Tim Horton's First Nations, Métis and Inuit Camp, Bursaries, Grandmothers in the classroom, etc.
- To improve programming for Indigenous students;
- To obtain funding to support Indigenous students with resources for their school;
- To build stronger partnerships with Indigenous parents and communities.



SELF-IDENTIFICATION FORM

Pupil's legal name: _____
(Surname) (First) (Middle)

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Birthdate: _____

☐ My child is of Indigenous ancestry.

☐ First Nations

☐ Métis

☐ Inuit

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

Note: All parents/guardians of Indigenous students, and students aged 18 of age or older, have the right to voluntarily and confidentially self-identify. Through self-identification the Board is able to collect relevant information which helps to provide programs and strategies supporting the needs of First Nations, Métis and Inuit learners. The information is being gathered in accordance with section 29(2) of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. If you have already completed this form for your son or daughter, it is not necessary to re-submit every year.