



**CATHOLIC DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD OF
EASTERN ONTARIO**
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BOARD POLICY

SECTION C

C6

Business Community Planning & Partnerships

POLICY

It is the policy of the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario to reach out to community organizations to share planning information on a regular basis and to work with community partners in order to share facilities to the benefit of the Board, students, and the community, and to optimize the use of public assets owned by the Board. The Board will consider what facilities are suitable for community partnerships, what partners are suitable, and when to enter into such partnerships. All community partnership arrangements must be advantageous to the Board. It is imperative that such partnership arrangements be consistent with the Board's mandate to provide learning environments in which the Gospel values and the teachings of the Catholic Church are central to its vision and mission.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

1. It is the responsibility of the appropriate Superintendent to administer and implement this policy.
2. This policy has been developed in accordance with Ministry Memorandum 2015:B09, and the Community Planning and Partnerships Guideline developed by the Ministry of Education, which identifies a framework of minimum standards for school boards to meet in developing their community partnership policy.
3. The Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario has the authority to make decisions regarding its school facilities and the use of its facilities that are consistent with its vision, mission and values and the Education Act.
4. The Board recognizes that providing space in schools to appropriate partners can strengthen the role of schools in communities, provide a place for programs and facilitate the coordination of, and improve access to, services for students and the wider community.
5. The Board will identify which schools will or will not be suitable for Community Partnerships based on Board-determined criteria.
6. Unused space that has been declared surplus to the Board will continue to follow the circulation process outlined in O. Reg. 444/98.
7. This policy operates in conjunction with the Education Act, Ontario Regulation 444/98 – Disposition of Surplus Real Property, and any guidelines issued by the Ministry of Education.
8. This policy shall be reviewed as required.

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No. C6:1 Community Planning and Partnerships

REFERENCE: