

*We Believe in Our Schools ~ We Believe in You*



With 50 schools, over 22,000 students and more than 3,000 employees, the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board (SMCDSB) is an education community bound together by our beliefs. Our facilities are located in some of the most beautiful natural settings in the province. Our Board encompasses a large and dynamic mixture of urban centers, small towns and rural areas throughout Central Ontario. From Tottenham and Bradford West Gwillimbury to Parry Sound and Huntsville, from Collingwood and Midland to Barrie and Orillia, we are focused on enhancing the educational and spiritual development of our students. We offer excellent programs, resources and supports so that students are provided with every opportunity to reach their future goals and aspirations.

## Catholic School Board Trustee

"For the Catholic Trustee, the Church's mission to proclaim, teach and bear witness to the Gospel finds its particular expression in the mission of the Catholic school. And the mission of the Catholic school is to evangelize youth so that they will become not only well-developed persons and good citizens, but also faithful disciples of Christ and witnesses to the faith." Catholic Trustees: Advocates, Guardians and Stewards of Catholic Education (Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association)

Our Catholic Trustees have responsibilities that are distinct. They work to further the mission of the Catholic Church and Catholic education in the following ways:

Acting as a witness to our faith and establishing a climate supportive of the faith community.	Understanding the purpose, history, and distinctive contribution of Catholic education in Ontario.
Promoting, protecting and advocating for Catholic Education.	Reviewing and approving an annual balanced budget of approximately \$275 million.
Providing governance and policies inspired by the values and traditions of the Catholic faith and the principles of democratic accountable governance.	Appointing, holding accountable and supporting the Director of Education who is an authentic and effective Catholic leader.
Ensuring that administrative structures, operational procedures and employee practices reflect the Board mission and vision.	Providing Christian stewardship of human and financial resources.
Establishing authentic religious education programming and faith formation activities for students.	Monitoring student realization of the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations.
Articulating and monitoring the implementation of the Board's mission and vision.	Building significant partnerships within and beyond the Catholic community in support of Catholic education.

For more information on the Board and on the role of a Catholic Trustee, please visit our website at [www.smcdsb.on.ca](http://www.smcdsb.on.ca). Additional details are available from the booklets: [Our Catholic Trustees - Stewards of Faith](#) and [Catholic Trustees: Advocates, Guardians & Stewards of Catholic Education](#).

Required Qualifications:

The Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board invites interested and qualified applicants to serve as a Catholic Trustee due to vacancy on the Board of Trustees. The term for this vacancy is effective January 1, 2022 to November 14, 2022. The Trustee selected will represent Ward 2 (Orillia, Ramara, Severn and Oro-Medonte).

To be eligible to serve in the role of Trustee, you must:

- be a Roman Catholic;
- be a Catholic school supporter through property taxes;
- be a resident within the jurisdiction of the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board;
- be a Canadian citizen;
- be at least 18 years of age; and
- not be an employee of a Board of Education.

Applicants may be required to provide suitable evidence to demonstrate that they meet the qualifications listed above. The closing date for receipt of applicants is January 28, 2022. Interested and qualified applicants must forward a resume and cover letter to the attention of the Chair, Board of Trustees, by the closing date to: [hr@smcdsb.on.ca](mailto:hr@smcdsb.on.ca).

Contact for further information: Kelly Hitchman-Powers, Coordinator of Trustees Services  
[khitchmanpowers@smcdsb.on.ca](mailto:khitchmanpowers@smcdsb.on.ca) or 705-722-3559 X 265

Accessibility accommodations are available for all parts of the recruitment process upon request.

Accommodation queries should be directed to the Human Resources Department at

[hr@smcdsb.on.ca](mailto:hr@smcdsb.on.ca) or (705) 722-3555 ext. 263.

THE BOARD IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ORGANIZATION

Frances Bagley  
Director of Education & Secretary Treasurer

Joseph Zerdin  
Chair, Board of Trustees



**Our Mission**

*Faithfully, inclusively and equitably, we inspire every student to realize their God-given potential.*

**Our Vision**

*Our Faith. Our Students. Our Future.*