



SCHOOL COUNCIL

November 26, 2019

Parent and Trustee Forum

Faith Theme: *“Knock, and the door will be opened for you.”* Matthew 7:7
Academic Theme: *Champions of Students*



Opening Prayer



A reading from Paul's Letter to the Colossians

Brothers and sisters: Give thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. Christ is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the Church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his Cross. (Colossians 1:12, 15-20)

Opening Prayer



Please join in our gathering prayer.

All:

Lord God, through the reconciling work of Christ the King, you have made all things new and have given us a share in the justice and love of your kingdom. Grant that we may walk in the footsteps of Jesus, responding with obedient faith and acting with self-sacrificing love toward all. May the King's cross become the shape of our lives and may our Lord's compassion form our hearts.

Opening Prayer



Bless and guide us as educators and parents that we may always consider what is best for the children you have placed in our care. May they be filled with wisdom and grace as they mature in faith that they may know the mystery of your saving love for them and proclaim Christ with courage and conviction, in simplicity and service.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Territorial Acknowledgement

We would like to acknowledge that this meeting is taking place on the traditional territories of the people of the Treaty 7 region in Southern Alberta.



Board Chair, Trustee Mary Martin



Board of Trustees



Together is Better

Trustee Updates








- **Provincial Budget:**
 - Released Oct. 24, 2019
- **Unanticipated discontinuation of several grants resulted in approximately \$17 million less revenue than originally budgeted**
- **Overall budgeted expenditure for Calgary Catholic is \$633.9 million**



Alberta Budget 2019-2020

CALGARY CATHOLIC
SCHOOL DISTRICT



Revenue Item	CCSD Assumption	Provincial Budget	Directional Impact for CCSD (surprise factor)
Classroom Improvement Fund	Discontinued	Discontinued	No change
Class Size Funding	Will Continue	Discontinued	(\$24.5m) 
Transportation Fee Funding	Will Continue	Discontinued	(\$ 2.3m) 
School Fee Funding	Will Continue	Discontinued	(\$ 1.3m) 
Transitional Grant	Not Expected	One-time Item	\$11.3m 
Combined Net Effect			(\$16.8m) 

Trustee Updates



- We are not alone in dealing with these challenges
- No layoffs for the 2019-2020 school year
- There may be other impacts
- We are anticipating a spring 2020 budget which will have further implications
- We will share further information with you as it becomes available

Trustee Updates



Choice in Education Engagement

“We committed to Albertans that our government would introduce a Choice in Education Act to affirm that parents have the primary responsibility for the education of their children. Hearing what this means to Albertans is an important first step towards meeting this commitment.”

Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education

Trustee Updates



Choice in Education Engagement

- Online Survey available until Dec. 6

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Alberta Government website. On the left is the Alberta logo. On the right are links for 'All services', 'Public engagements', 'Initiatives', 'News', and 'About government'. Below the navigation bar is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home → Government → Connect with government → Consultations and engagements → Open engagements → Choice in education engagement'. The main content area has a blue header with the title 'Choice in education engagement' and a sub-header 'Provide your input to help identify opportunities to help protect and enhance education choice.' In the top right corner of the blue area, there are links for 'English' and 'Français'.

Alberta

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Choice in education engagement

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Choice in Education Engagement

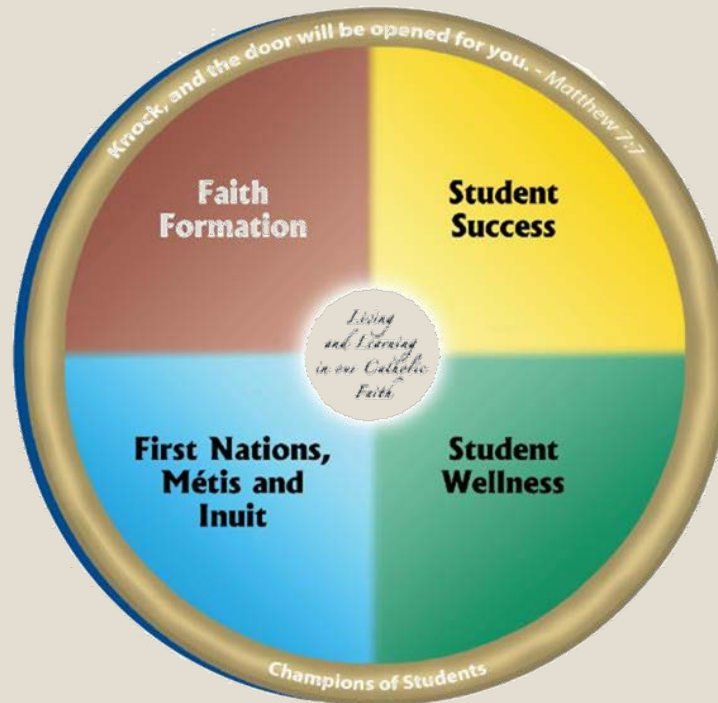
- **Important that the ministry hears a strong voice for publicly funded Catholic education governed by locally elected trustees!**

Kathy Macdonald



Cyber Safety: Awareness, Prevention and Response

Related to the Board Priority of Student Wellness





In Conclusion....



- **Our next Parent and Trustee Forum**
 - Tuesday, January 21, 7pm
- **Please complete feedback sheets**

Closing Prayer



All:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for you have chosen us to be your own and granted us every spiritual blessing in Christ Jesus our Lord. May we never stop singing your praises as we give thanks for the riches so lavishly given to us.

Desiring that our children come to know you and live in the fullness of joy, we ask that you continue to open their hearts and minds to your love and grace that they may seek you wholeheartedly and be drawn closer to you each day.

Closing Prayer



Strengthen our relationships with our daughters and sons and help us to love one another as we have been loved by Christ.

We also pray for our deceased family and friends which the Church remembers during the month of November. May they enjoy the vision of God with those in heaven and may they intercede for us with their tender prayers. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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