



## **Message from Director of Education and Chair of the Board**

### **Volunteer Appreciation Week April 6-12, 2014**

April 6 - 12 is National Volunteer Appreciation Week.

We are pleased to acknowledge the generosity, kindness and support that our school communities receive from the many families, parishes and community members for so many activities throughout the year. This collaborative effort goes a long way to enhancing the learning experience for our students, and fostering a sense of true Catholic community in our schools. We thank you for helping to make our school system so successful.

We also applaud the many students and staff who donate their time to uphold the dignity of each person as made in the image of God through service projects in their own communities, and around the world. Each year we hear of more and more members of our TCDSB community sharing their God given gifts with the less fortunate, the lonely, the sick and the vulnerable. Whether through collecting food and clothing, serving hot meals, or donating time to local charities, food banks, seniors' homes or building projects in remote parts of the world, your efforts make our world a better place.

Most notably we are continually impressed by the students who go far beyond the minimum 40 hours of community service that are required for graduation. They are wonderful role models of Christian living for their peers, and we are grateful for their inspirational leadership.

As our Faith Hope and Charity prayer says, "May we be people of CHARITY, always willing to give of ourselves to better the lives of others."

Thanks to the many in our TCDSB community who do just that. You make us very proud!

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Chair of the Board