



TCDSB AWARDS NIGHT 2010

The TCDSB Annual Awards Night recognizes alumni, staff and students in appreciation of their achievements and commitment to Catholic education.

The date selected is the first Monday of Catholic Education Week, which falls on **Monday, May 3rd in 2010**. Parents, honourees, senior staff, trustees, principals and school staff attend this memorable event, which begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Catholic Education Centre. Recipients are notified of their selection and invited to attend the annual Awards Night to be recognized for their accomplishments. Awards are presented by the Director of Education and the Chair of the Board. A reception is provided for the guests, immediately following the awards presentations.

Nomination Forms are available on the Board's INTRANET site (under "Communications") and by e-mailing Mary Walker in the Communications Department at: mary.walker@tcdsb.org

Nominations are being sought for the following awards:

1. Ashif Jaffer Award for Excellence in Special Education Support – Deadline: February 22, 2010

The Ashif Jaffer Award for Excellence in Special Education Support recognizes a Toronto Catholic District School Board teacher, education assistant, peer tutor/helper or volunteer who has demonstrated excellence in the support of Special Education, in one or more of the following areas:

- promoting the rights and dignity of the exceptional student
- working collaboratively with a team to give support to student(s) with special needs who is/are integrated into the regular classroom curriculum and the individual education plan
- fostering the development of social interaction between exceptional students and their peers
- fostering the inclusion of the exceptional student into the extra-curricular life of the school
- fostering the development of peer tutoring within the regular classroom
- fostering positive relationships with parents and encourage their participation in program implementation

2. Father Andrew Cuschieri Award - Deadline: March 2, 2010

In 1986, the Toronto Catholic District School Board received a donation of \$10,000.00 from Rev. Andrew Cuschieri, the interest thereon to be awarded every two years to a TCDSB student, between the ages of 7 and 13, who during those two years, has accomplished a humanitarian act towards another human being. The award is in the form of a bursary consisting of the interest earned on the trust account. The bursary will be placed in an interest bearing trust account until the recipient reaches the age of 18, unless for a serious reason, the Board decides otherwise. The recipient will be invited to a Special Awards Event or a Board meeting to receive a certificate to commemorate the award.

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3. Sister Mary Hamilton Award for Exceptional Students – Deadline: February 24, 2010

Named after Sister Mary Hamilton, a former TCDSB principal and resource person who had a very special ministry to exceptional students, the award is to recognize personal achievement or contribution to the lives of others. The award is in the form of a bursary or bursaries consisting of the interest earned on the principal. The recipient(s) will also receive a framed certificate to commemorate the award. Eligibility For the purpose of the award an “exceptional student” means a pupil whose behavioural, communication, intellectual, physical or multiple exceptionalities are such that he or she is considered to need placement in a special education program by a committee, established under subparagraph iii of paragraph 5 of subsection 11(1), of the Board.

4. Student Achievement Award – Deadline: March 5, 2010

Throughout the year, the Toronto Catholic District School Board recognizes students who have achieved honours in a variety of disciplines by presenting them with the TCDSB Student Achievement Award. The Student Achievement Award is given to those students who have demonstrated outstanding achievement either academically, physically, spiritually or socially at the provincial, national or international level. All TCDSB staff are encouraged to participate in the recognition process by sharing news of student accomplishments throughout the year

5. Student Trustee Award of Excellence – Deadline: March 2, 2010

The *Student Trustee Award of Excellence in Academics, Leadership and Christian Values* is presented annually to an eligible student graduating from a Toronto Catholic District School Board secondary school who has demonstrated excellence in academics, leaderships and Christian Values, to encourage and support him or her in pursuit of studies at a recognized Canadian post-secondary institution.