

Mission Statement of the  
Toronto Catholic District School Board

In a school community formed by Catholic beliefs and traditions, our Mission is to educate students to their full potential

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Daycare and early  
child development  
are important to  
our families



## Services for Young Children

The Toronto Catholic District School Board facilitates a number of services for children up to the age of 12 within its schools.

These services include:

- FULL-DAY CHILD CARE CENTRES
- ONTARIO EARLY YEARS PROGRAMS
- LICENSED BEFORE- AND AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS
- FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRES
- STUDENT NUTRITION PROGRAMS
- SPECIAL NEEDS INTEGRATED PROGRAMS

Program descriptions are outlined within this booklet.

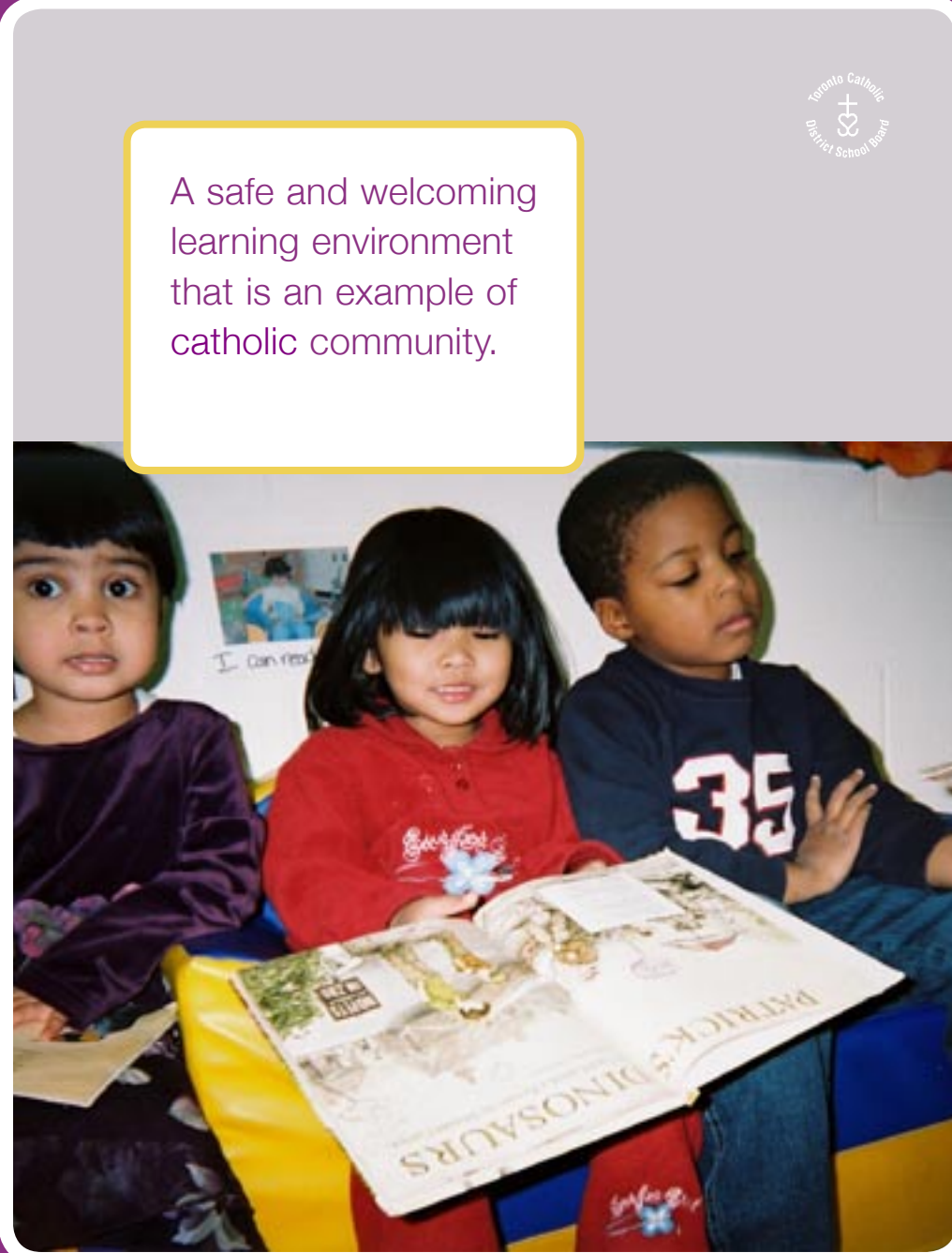


Giving them the building blocks for learning and development.





We're helping to build freindships in communities that can last a life time.



A safe and welcoming learning environment that is an example of catholic community.

## Child Care & Family Support Policy

The Toronto Catholic District School Board supports the establishment of quality Child Care and Family Support Programs in schools where space can be provided by the Board.

Regulations:

1. Services for young children within the school setting provide a supportive and secure environment and a continuum of care for the transition from care to school. If school space is available to accommodate these services, tenure of space will be done on a cost recovery basis for no less than one school year.
2. With respect to existing programs, a community-based incorporated Board of Directors or parent advisory committee will continue to oversee the operation of every child care facility located in a Toronto Catholic District School Board school before a lease agreement can be signed or renewed. The Board of Directors or Parent Advisory Committee will be composed of a minimum of four (4) members. The majority of members should be parents of children in the Child Care or Family Support Programs. With respect to new programs, an approved organization, which is expressing an interest in operating at a specific school location, submits a letter of intent to the Director of Education. The principal will determine availability of space. A parent advisory committee from the school community is formed to select the operator, provide input and work in partnership with the selected operator for the successful implementation of the program.
3. The school principal or designate shall be consulted and have input into all matters of the Child Care or Family Support Program as it relates to school space, regulations or school policy. The principal will also be advised of each meeting of the Board of Directors or Parent Advisory Committee and be provided with an agenda of that meeting and thereafter, the minutes of that meeting as it pertains to his/her school.
4. Programs that are located within Toronto Catholic District School Board schools must show proof of licensing by the Ministry of Community, Child and Family Services (if applicable) as well as required insurance coverage.
5. In the matter of leases:
  - a. Each program should have a valid signed agreement with the Board.
  - b. The operators of each program should hold a minimum of one meeting per year with the principal to discuss matters related to the Program.
  - c. The renewal of the lease or license agreement is subject to the needs of the Board.
  - d. Programs that have exclusive or shared space within Toronto Catholic District School Board schools will be charged rent on a cost recovery basis as per Board policy.
  - e. Each organization will submit a notarized financial statement annually to the Director of Education.
6. The Toronto Catholic District School Board encourages the participation of co-op students within these child-centered programs where possible.
7. The Toronto Catholic District School Board reserves the right to develop rules and regulations to ensure the safety standards in buildings housing Child Care and family support programs.

## Special Needs Integrated Program

SCHOOL	LOCATION	CHILD CARE CENTRE
Darcy McGee	York Oakwood/Vaughan	St. Bernadette Resource Centre Special Needs Integrated Pre-School Program Ages: 2-1/2 to 5 years 416-654-9810



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strive to be  
the best  
they can!



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volunteer work is deeply  
rooted in our Catholic  
school programs. We truly  
appreciate the assistance  
of all our volunteers and  
applaud them for their  
commitment to excellence.



## Information

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### Different types of child care. Which one meets your needs?

There are a wide variety of terms used to describe different types of day/child-care. The terms “day-care” and “child care” are often used interchangeably. Looking at the distinct differences of each type of care arrangement should help you decide on the most suitable one for your child.

#### Child care

Day-care centres are facilities where children from different families are cared for together for a continuous period of time not exceeding 24 hours. A majority of day-care centres operate from early morning to early evening to accommodate the needs of working parents. A full day program includes a nutritious lunch and mid-morning and mid-afternoon snacks. Day-care centres provide service for children from birth through to 12 years of age.

#### School-Age Day-care

This type of day-care accommodates children between the ages of 6 and 12. Care is provided before and after school, on school holidays and professional development days, during March break and the summer months. A nutritious lunch may or may not be included, but an early morning and late afternoon snack will be provided.

#### Ontario Early Years

Ontario Early Years Centres are places where parents and caregivers can get answers to questions, information about programs and services that are available for young children. It is also an opportunity to talk to early year’s professionals, as well as other parents and caregivers in the community.

## Before and/or After-School Programs Continued

SCHOOL	LOCATION	INFORMATION
<u>St. Denis</u>	Toronto Queen/Balsam	Sunshine Child Care Services Ages: 6 to 12 416-284-2344
<u>St. Elizabeth</u>	Etobicoke Bloor/Highway #427	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711
<u>St. Eugene</u>	Etobicoke Islington/Royal York	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711
<u>St. Gerald</u>	North York Sheppard/Victoria Park	Kids Can Doodle Ages: 6 to 12 years Contact: 905-770-7417
<u>St. Gregory</u>	Etobicoke Kipling/Rathburn	Little Prints Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 416-570-2098
<u>St. John the Evangelist</u>	York Lawrence/Weston	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711
<u>St. John Vianney</u>	Etobicoke Finch/Islington	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711
<u>St. Jude</u>	North York Sheppard/Weston	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711
<u>St. Marcellus</u>	Etobicoke Eglinton/Kipling	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711
<u>St. Maurice</u>	Etobicoke Dixon/Islington	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711
<u>St. Pius X</u>	Toronto Bloor/Jane	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711
<u>St. Robert</u>	North York Bathurst/Sheppard	YMCA Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 416-928-9622



Student Nutrition Programs provide the energy and essential nutrients that children need to grow, develop and be active.



### Family Resource Centres

Family Resource Centres are available for children of up to 5 years of age, who are accompanied by their parent/caregiver. These centres provide support services, including drop-in programs, resource libraries, play groups, training opportunities and educational workshops. Drop-ins are located in schools, community centres and churches. They provide parents/caregivers with opportunities to overcome social isolation and develop supportive networks. They operate from one to five mornings per week. Parents are to remain on site with the children.

### Before and After School Programs

At a time when a growing number of children are spending the time between 3 and 6 p.m. unsupervised, the need for quality after-school programming is important. A quality before-school, after-school, or summer program can provide a secure place for kids and additional learning opportunities and experiences.

### Student Nutrition Programs

Student Nutrition programs offer a healthy breakfast, snack and/or lunch to students before, during or after school each day. Programs focus on serving healthy, fresh foods that are safe and culturally appropriate to their community and participants and are offered in a non-stigmatizing environment.

### Special Needs/Integrated Programs

These programs are being offered to children that are developmentally challenged, while being integrated with able-bodied children. Two types of programs are being offered—nursery school and before- and after-school. The programs are offered every day of the week and provide a safe and challenging environment where children can learn about one another.



## Quality Indicators of Child Care

Since the average child spends approximately nine to 10 hours a day in a child care centre, parents are concerned about the quality of care their child will be receiving.

The following list of quality indicators should help you to select a suitable day-care centre for your child. To ensure the most appropriate type of care, parents should assess their financial situation, the child's needs and the particular service that meets their working needs. When all of these have been considered, take the time to visit the centre to get a sense of the program and staff/child inter-relationships.

Questions to ask yourself while you are visiting the centre:

### Facilities:

- Is the location suitable?
- Is the centre clean, spacious, airy and sufficiently lit?
- How large is the centre (capacity) and how many children are in each group?
- Do the premises appear to be safe from potential injuries?
- Is the playground fenced in for children under 6 years of age?

### Staff:

- What are the teachers' educational backgrounds?
- What are their philosophies on child care and child rearing?  
Do these views correspond to your own?
- Is staff friendly to you and your child?
- Is staff talking with, and listening to, the children?
- Are there enough adults available to safely look after the needs of other children?

Keep in mind the minimum adult-child ratios set out by the Day Nurseries Act:

Age of Child	Minimum Adult-Child Ratios
Birth-18 months	3:10
18-30 months	3:15
30 months-5 years	1:8
5-6 years	1:12
6-12 years	1:15

## Before and/or After-School Programs

SCHOOL	LOCATION	INFORMATION
<u>All Saints</u>	Etobicoke Eglinton/Royal York	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711
<u>Father Serra</u>	Etobicoke Eglinton/Islington	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711
<u>Holy Angels</u>	Etobicoke Lakeshore/Royal York	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711
<u>Holy Cross</u>	East York Cosburn/Donlands	Kids Can Doodle 905-883-6164
<u>Holy Spirit</u>	Scarborough Sheppard/Warden	Y.M.C.A. Ages: 6 to 12 years Contact: 416-928-9622
<u>Josyf Cardinal Slipyj</u>	Etobicoke East Mall/Rathburn	Learning Enrichment Foundation Ages: 4 to 12 Contact: 416-621-2865
<u>Our Lady of Peace</u>	Etobicoke Bloor/Burnhamthorpe	Y.M.C.A. Ages: 6 to 12 years Contact: 416-513-0095
<u>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</u>	Toronto Mount Pleasant/St. Clair	Kids Can Doodle Ages: 6 to 12 years 905-770-7417
<u>Our Lady of Sorrows</u>	Etobicoke Bloor/Royal York	Y.M.C.A. Ages: 6 to 12 years Contact: 416-928-9622
<u>Our Lady of Wisdom</u>	Scarborough Ellesmere/Warden	Umbrella Day Care Services Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 416-686-9869
<u>Prince of Peace</u>	Scarborough McCowan/Steeles	Banting & Best After School Program Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 416-291-6163
<u>St. Cecilia</u>	Toronto Bloor/Jane	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711
<u>St. Clement</u>	Etobicoke Bloor/Highway #427	P.L.A.S.P. Ages: 6 to 12 Contact: 905-890-1711



## Student Nutrition Programs Continued

SCHOOL	LOCATION	CONTACT NUMBER
<u>St. Francis de Sales</u>	North York Finch/Jane	416-393-5366
<u>St. Helen</u>	Toronto College/Dufferin	416-393-5208
<u>St. Isaac Jogues</u>	North York Victoria Park/York Mills	416-393-5315
<u>St. Martin de Porres</u>	Scarborough Kingston/Morningside	416-393-5286
<u>St. Mary of the Angels</u>	Toronto Davenport/Dufferin	416-393-5228
<u>St. Michael</u>	Toronto Front/Jarvis	416-393-5387
<u>St. Nicholas of Bari</u>	York Rogers/St. Clair	416-393-5355
<u>St. Paul</u>	Toronto Parliament/Queen	416-364-7588
<u>St. Raymond</u>	Toronto Bloor/Ossington	416-393-5293
<u>St. Rose of Lima</u>	Scaborough Lawrence/McCowan	416-393-5269
<u>St. Sebastian</u>	Toronto Bloor/Dufferin	416-393-5354
<u>St. Stephen</u>	Etobicoke Islington/Sheppard	416-393-5284
<u>St. Teresa</u>	Etobicoke Islington/Lakeshore	416-393-5266
<u>St. Thomas Aquinas</u>	Oakwood/St. Clair	416-393-5236

## Program

- Do the child care centre's hours of operation suit your needs?
- Is there a handbook available that outlines all policies and procedures?
- Are the following items clearly posted: licence, fire and evacuation procedures, emergency telephone numbers, menus, children's allergy charts, daily schedule?

## Food

- Does the menu reflect the Canada Food Guide?
- Does the menu consist of foods small enough to prevent choking?

## Medical Care:

- Are full immunization records required before each child is enrolled at the centre?
- Are there procedural guidelines for the handling of illness and/or other emergencies?
- Is there sufficient communication with parents re: eating, sleeping, toilet training and mood level?

## Equipment

- Is the equipment safe from unfinished edges?
- Does the centre use safe cribs? (As per standards set out by Consumer and Corporate Affairs 416-973-4705).
- Is the floor safe and free from objects that "crawlers" can swallow?



## Child Care Centres

SCHOOL	LOCATION	CHILD CARE CENTRE
<u>Archbishop Romero</u>	York Black Creek/Weston	Learning Enrichment Foundation Romero Bears Day Care Ages: 1-1/2 to 5 years Supervisor: 416-769-1174
<u>Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha</u>	North York Finch/Victoria Park	Kateri Kids Ages: 2-1/2 to 12 years Supervisor: 416-496-2965
<u>Blessed Mother Teresa</u>	Scarborough Neilson/Sheppard	Mother of Compassion Ages: Birth to 5 years Supervisor: 416-724-1462
<u>Blessed Trinity</u>	North York Bayview/Finch	Little Prints Ages: 2-1/2 to 12 Supervisor: 416-469-6619
<u>Canadian Martyrs</u>	East York O'Connor/Woodbine	Plains Road Child Care Ages: 1-1/2 to 12 years Supervisor: 416-421-2273
<u>Cardinal Léger</u>	Scaborough Morrish Road	Cardinal Léger Child Care Centre Ages: 2-1/2 to 12 years Supervisor: 416-287-0578
<u>Corpus Christi</u>	Toronto Edgewood Avenue (Coxwell and Dundas)	Childspace 1 Temporary Location 416-425-7763
<u>Holy Child (Humberwood)</u>	Etobicoke Finch/Highway #27	McCauley Child Development Ages: 1-1/2 to 12 years Contact: 416-394-4766
<u>Holy Name</u>	Toronto Carlaw/Danforth	Childspace Two Ages: 2-1/2 to 12 years Supervisor: 416-469-0560
<u>Holy Redeemer</u>	North York Don Mills/Steeles	Little Prints Ages: 4 to 12 Contact: 416-229-0572
<u>Josyf Cardinal Slipyj</u>	Etobicoke West Mall/Burnhamthorpe	Sadochok Ages: 2-1/2 to 5 years Supervisor: 416-626-7195
<u>Mary Ward</u>	Scarborough Kennedy/Steeles	Family Day Care Services Mary Ward Child Care Centre Ages: Birth to 5 years Supervisor: 416-297-9660

## Student Nutrition Programs

SCHOOL	LOCATION	CONTACT NUMBER
<u>Archbishop Romero</u>	York Black Creek/Weston	416-393-5555
<u>A.P.P.L.E. Alternative Learning Centre</u>	Toronto	416-393-6536
<u>Holy Cross</u>	East York Cosburn/Donlands	416-393-5242
<u>Father Henry Carr</u>	Etobicoke Finch/Kipling	416-393-5521
<u>James Cardinal McGuigan</u>	North York Finch/Keele	416-393-5527
<u>Our Lady of Lourdes</u>	Toronto Parliament/Wellesley	416-393-5222
<u>Our Lady of the Assumption</u>	North York Bathurst/Lawrence	416-393-5265
<u>Our Lady of Victory</u>	York Eglinton/Jane	416-393-5247
<u>Pope Paul VI</u>	Toronto Keele/St. Clair	416-393-5374
<u>Senhor Santo Cristo</u>	Toronto Dufferin/Queen	416-393-5367
<u>St. Barnabas</u>	Scarborough Markham/Sheppard	416-393-5351
<u>St. Boniface</u>	Scarborough Eglinton/Kingston	416-393-5277
<u>St. Bruno</u>	Toronto Davenport/Dufferin	416-393-5376
<u>St. Charles Garnier</u>	North York Jane/Steeles	416-393-5363
<u>St. Dorothy</u>	Etobicoke Finch/Martingrove	416-393-5341



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### Child Care Centres Continued

SCHOOL	LOCATION	CHILD CARE CENTRE
<u>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</u>	Toronto Mt. Pleasant/St. Clair	905-770-7417
Former site of St. Ann (currently temporary location of Our Lady of Lourdes)	Toronto Broadview/Queen	Bolton Avenue Child Care Ages: 2-1/2 to 12 years 416-463-7625
<u>St. Bede</u>	Scarborough Littles/Sewells	St. Bede Child Care Centre Ages: 2-1/2 to 12 years Supervisor: 416-724-7132
<u>St. Brigid</u>	Toronto Danforth/Woodbine	Childspace Ages: 2-1/2 to 12 years Supervisor: 416-425-7763
<u>St. Clare</u>	Toronto Dufferin/St. Clair	Harmony Community Child Care Ages: 2-1/2 to 12 years Supervisor: 416-656-8902
<u>St. Cyril</u>	North York Finch/Yonge	St. Cyril-Little Prints Ages: 4 to 12 years Supervisor: 416-222-0151
<u>St. Gabriel</u>	North York Bayview/Sheppard	Y.M.C.A. Ages: 2-1/2 to 12 years Contact: 416-221-5000
<u>St. John</u>	Toronto Kingston Rd./ Victoria Park	Day Care Connection Ages: 4 to 12 years Supervisor: 416-693-6596
<u>St. Monica</u>	Toronto Eglinton/Yonge	Central Eglinton Children's Centre Ages: 4 to 12 years Contact: 416-544-0059
<u>St. Sylvester</u>	Scarborough Finch/Warden	Creative Kids Child care Ages: 4-12 years 416-647-899-2388
<u>Dazy Mcgee</u>	York Dufferin/Eglinton	Bernadette Family Resource Program Ages: 6 to 12 years Contact: 416-654-9810
<u>St. Vincent de Paul</u>	Toronto Queen/Roncesvalles	Sunshine Child Care Services Ages: 2-1/2 to 5 years Contact: 416-284-6523



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## Early Years Centres

SCHOOL	LOCATION	INFORMATION
<u>St. Bruno</u>	Toronto Davenport/Ossington	Mothercraft Ages 0-6 years Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:30-11:30 a.m. 416-920-3515, ext. 106
<u>St. David</u>	Toronto College/Shaw	College Montrose Children's Centre Ages: 0-6 years 416-532-9485
<u>St. Dominic Savio</u>	Scarborough Highway 401/Port Union	Scarborough Boys and Girls Club 416-393-5467
<u>Adventure Place</u>	North York Leslie/Finch	Ages: 0-6 years 416-227-1552, ext. 25
<u>St. Leonard</u>	North York Leslie/Finch	Better Beginnings 416-499-3377, ext. 13
<u>Holy Angels</u>	Etobicoke Islington/Queensway	L.A.M.P. Ages: 0-6 years 416-252-6471, ext. 229
<u>St. Paul</u>	Toronto Queen/Parliament	East York/East Toronto Family Resource Programs Ages: 0-6 years 416-686-3390, ext. 304