

# Our Catholic Schools 2006-07

A Discussion on  
Ontario's Catholic Schools  
And Their Future

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Invitation

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Institute for Catholic Education

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

***You Are Invited to Join a Discussion  
About Ontario's Catholic Schools and Their Future***

For more than 150 years Catholic schools have enriched communities through the education of students rooted in the gospel of Jesus Christ. As we look towards the future of our system, we—you and I and members of the Catholic community across the province—are being asked to think about and to discuss just what our Catholic schools mean to us, and what we think their future should be.

This initiative is part of an awareness and engagement strategy undertaken by Ontario's Catholic education partners—**Ontario Conference of Catholic Bishops, Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association, Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association, The Catholic Principals' Council of Ontario, Ontario Catholic Supervisory Officers' Association, Ontario Catholic School Business Officials' Association, and the Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education**—under the auspices of the Institute for Catholic Education, to deepen and broaden the level of support for our Catholic schools. Increasing awareness of what Catholic schools are really all about and what they contribute to our society is the first step in achieving that broader support.

The Discussion itself has two purposes. First, it provides a structured opportunity for conversation about the essence and value of Ontario's Catholic schools, the challenges they face, and our hopes for their future. Second, the dialogue sparked by the Discussion will generate messages about Catholic education which can later be shared with the broader community.

***This is an important opportunity  
for all of us to make our views about our Catholic schools known***

Won't you join us in participating in a group discussion about Catholic education in Ontario and the important issues it is facing today? This meeting is scheduled to take place:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

The ideas and opinions we contribute will be shared with the local Catholic district school board and the Institute for Catholic Education. A local report summarizing input received, as well as a provincial report, will be prepared. Please come out – and be a participant in the future of Catholic education!

Sincerely,

Please RSVP	By:	_____
	To:	_____
Telephone:	Daytime	_____
	Evening	_____