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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairpersons and Directors of Education
- All Catholic District School Boards

FROM: Patrick J. Daly, President

SUBJECT: 2022 OCSTA Short Video Contest for CDSB Students

OCSTA is pleased to announce the return of the OCSTA Short Video Contest which this year celebrates the Catholic Education Week theme for the year – *Catholic Education: We are Many, We are One.*



This year's theme provides an opportunity to deepen our understanding of how the life of Jesus Christ and acts of Christian service help to define the Catholic identity of our Catholic schools.

“People often comment that when they enter a Catholic school they feel a special presence. This does not come from the building or even the religious symbols that are an important witness to our faith. The presence comes from Christ who is proclaimed by word and example, and is evidenced in the way people care for one another.”

Renewing the Promise, 2018, Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario

Call for Submissions

OCSTA invites students in grades 4-12 to create a 2-minute video highlighting acts of Christian service to others that give witness to our faith. For further guidance in developing this video, we invite students and staff to draw upon the Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectations – section 1 (d). This section explores how we are called to be discerning believers through thought and action by developing “attitudes and values founded on Catholic *social teaching* and acts to promote social responsibility, human solidarity and the common good.”

The 2022-23 Catholic Education Week sub-themes may also provide ideas for developing or structuring student video submissions:

We are Many, We are One and we achieve this unity:

...when we **see**:

“Blessed are the pure in heart for they will see God.” Matthew 5:8

...when we **listen**:

“Be quick to listen and slow to speak.” James 1:19

...when we **reflect**:

“I considered these things inwardly, and pondered them in my heart.” Wisdom 8:17

...when we **learn**:

“Let the wise also hear and gain in learning, and the discerning acquire skill.” Proverbs 1:5

...when we **act**:

“I by my works will show you my faith.” James 2:18

Contest Guidelines and Submission Form

The contest is open to all students in grades 4–12 at Ontario’s publicly funded Catholic schools.

We ask all participants to upload completed videos to YouTube (www.youtube.com) for viewing and adjudication by the provincial committee. The unique URL (web address) created by YouTube when a video file is uploaded is to be recorded on the OCSTA short-video contest submission form.

The submission deadline is **December 9, 2022**. The submission form is attached, but can also be downloaded from the following URL:

<https://www.ocsta.on.ca/ocsta/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/2022-Submission-Consent-Form-Video-Contest.pdf>

Prizes:

First Place:	\$300 Best Buy Gift Certificate
Second Place:	\$150 Best Buy Gift Certificate
Third Place:	\$100 Indigo Gift Certificate

First, second and third place prizes will be awarded at both the elementary and secondary panels.

We thank the students, teachers and trustees of all CDSBs for their support of this contest celebrating Catholic education in Ontario.

For more information, please contact Sharon McMillan, Director of Communications, OCSTA
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“We Are Many, We Are One” 2022 Short Video Contest Submission and Consent Form

****Video submission is to be no longer than 2 minutes****

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: DECEMBER 9, 2022

Submission Title: _____

Video URL/web address on YouTube required – please print or type CLEARLY

Email (required) _____

First & Last Name _____

Are you the representative for a group entry? Yes _____ No _____

Telephone number _____

FULL School Name _____

FULL School Address _____

Catholic District School Board Name _____

NOTE: Separate consent forms are to be completed by the Parent/Guardian of each student featured in the video submission. If completed consent forms are already on file at the Catholic school board, an additional form is not needed.

1. USE OF STUDENT IMAGE/VOICE/WORKS

Name of Student: (Please Print)

Name of School:

I hereby give my consent to the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association to use video recordings of my child's image/voice/works in promotion of education, corporate related activities, and media reports, including: internet/intranet sites that the Association has ownership and control over, publications including Association newsletters, public service announcements (televised and print), news reports and feature stories, public awareness efforts, marketing and advertising, and other related materials.

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In addition, I waive all claims to compensation or damages based on the use of his/her image/voice/works by the Association. I also waive any right to inspect or approve the finished photographs/video/audio/works.

I consent to the above use of my child's image/voice/works

2. MEDIA RELEASE CONSENT

The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association cooperates with media organizations, within reason, to encourage the celebration of Catholic Education, school achievements, sharing information about students and staff and their work and to report newsworthy events. This will only be permitted with your consent.

I consent to the above Media Release

Name of Parent/Guardian/Adult Student (Please Print) _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian/Adult Student: _____

Date: _____

Please email completed submission form to Marie Palombi mpalombi@ocsta.on.ca.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Sharon McMillan at the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA) at (416) 932-9460. Please note that all of Ontario's Catholic District School Boards are members of the OCSTA.

Thank you.