



REPORT TO

## GOVERNANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

### UPDTAKE TO INDIGENOUS VOLUNTARY SELF-IDENTIFICATION POLICY (A.32)

*See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. 1 John 3:1*

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### RECOMMENDATION REPORT

#### Vision:

*At Toronto Catholic we transform the world through witness, faith, innovation and action.*

#### Mission:

*The Toronto Catholic District School Board is an inclusive learning community uniting home, parish and school and rooted in the love of Christ.*

*We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.*



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## **A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report recommends updating the current First Nation, Metis and Inuit Indigenous Self-Identification Policy (A. 32) in met policy format including updating terms used.

*The cumulative staff time required to prepare this report was 6 hours*

## **B. PURPOSE**

This Recommendation Report is on the Order Paper of the Governance Policy Committee as it recommends policy revision.

## **C. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS**

The First Nation, Metis and Inuit Voluntary Self-Identification Policy (A.32) was approved on January 2010 and has not been amended since.

## **D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS**

1. This policy has been amended in consultation with the Indigenous Education Department.
2. Since this policy was first written, “Indigenous” has been broadly accepted as a word that encompasses the First Nations/Inuit and Métis people in Canada. The Federal Government and the Indigenous Peoples in Canada have accepted the word because of its legal ramifications in reference to the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

## **E. METRIC AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

1. Recommendations in this report will be monitored by policy development staff.
2. Further reports will be brought to the Board in accordance with the policy review schedule.

## **F. IMPLEMENTATION**

The updated policy as approved will be posted on the TCDSB policy register.

## **G. STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

Staff recommends that the Indigenous Voluntary Self-Identification policy (A.32) provided in APPENDIX A be adopted.