



REPORT TO

GOVERNANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

UPDATE TO CONCUSSION POLICY S.26

But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children. (Deuteronomy 4:9)

Created, Draft	First Tabling	Review
October 1, 2018	January 15, 2019	October 22, 2018

Lori DiMarco, Superintendent of Curriculum Leadership and Innovation
 Peter Aguiar, Superintendent of Student Achievement and Wellbeing, Area 4

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.



Rory McGuckin
 Director of Education

D. Koenig
 Associate Director
 of Academic Affairs

T. Robins
 Acting Associate Director
 of Planning and Facilities

L. Noronha
 Executive Superintendent
 of Business Services and
 Chief Financial Officer

A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommends updating the current Concussion Policy (S.26) to reformat in meta policy format and to conform to recent changes to legislation.

The cumulative staff time required to prepare this report was 35 hours

B. PURPOSE

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

C. BACKGROUND

1. The Concussion Policy (S.26) was developed in 2014 to meet the requirements of Policy/Program memorandum No. 158: School Board Policies on Concussion. It has not been amended since.
2. Rowan's Law (Concussion Safety) was passed in 2018. It further expands the responsibilities of school boards by requiring boards to put into place concussion education and a student code of conduct that outlines rules of behaviour to minimize concussions while playing sport.

D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS

1. This policy has been amended in consultation with the staff from the Curriculum, Leadership and Innovation and Legal Departments.
2. Since this policy was written, there have been changes to applicable legislation. Revisions in this policy and the accompanying protocol reflect these changes.

E. METRICS AND ACCOUNTABILITY

1. Recommendations in this report will be monitored by policy development staff.
2. Further reports will be brought to 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 RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the revised Concussion Policy (S.S.26) provided in Appendix A and the accompany Protocols for Concussion Booklet provided in Appendix B be adopted.