



REPORT TO

REGULAR BOARD

H.M.33 ACCEPTANCE OF HOSPITALITY AND GIFTS POLICY METRIC 2019-2020

Out of the gifts to you, you shall set apart every offering due to the Lord; the best of all of them is the part to be consecrated. Numbers 18:29

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INFORMATION 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

TCDSB policy H.M.33 Acceptance of Hospitality or Gifts, requires the Director to annually report to the Board about hospitality and/or gifts of considerable value which contribute to student achievement, that were received and accepted on behalf of the TCDSB in the 2019-2020 school year.

Information was gathered from executives to ascertain whether any gifts of considerable value, which contributed to student achievement, were received during the 2019-2020 school year. The policy defines “considerable value” to mean *any gift, benefit or hospitality whose value exceeds \$100.00*.

Materials donated to the Board were not considered in this assessment as these items are dealt with in a separate policy, F.F.02 Donations and Sponsorship.

Based on the evidence received, no gifts of considerable value, which contribute to student achievement, were received and accepted on behalf of the TCDSB during the 2019-2020 school year.

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

B. PURPOSE

1. This report fulfils the policy metric for A.33 Acceptance of Hospitality or Gifts, which states:

*The effectiveness of the policy will be determined by measuring the following:
All gifts of considerable value which contribute to student achievement received and accepted on behalf of the TCDSB will be reported by the Director to the Board of Trustees in an annual report.*

C. BACKGROUND

1. **October 6, 2020** – TCDSB executives and leadership staff were surveyed about receipt of any hospitality or gift in excess of \$100.
2. **October 19, 2017** – at Regular Board, Trustees approved the revised policy A.33 Acceptance of Hospitality or Gifts, which included the requirement to annually report to the Board on the receipt of gifts of considerable value.

D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS

1. All designated executives (Associate Directors, Executive Superintendents, Superintendents, Legal Counsel, Chief Information Officer), as well as Principals and the Partnership Development staff were surveyed about the receipt and acceptance of any gifts of considerable value which would contribute to student achievement.
2. It was determined that *no gifts of considerable value, which contribute to student achievement, were received and accepted on behalf of the TCDSB during the 2019-2020 school year.*

E. METRICS AND ACCOUNTABILITY

1. Receipt of gifts of considerable value in support of student achievement are informed by the Partnership Development office, and monitored through the Corporate Office.

F. CONCLUDING STATEMENT

This report is for the consideration of the Board.