



**DELEGATION REGISTRATION FORM FOR
BOARD, STANDING OR OTHER COMMITTEES**

Response Summary:

First Name:

Ellen

Last Name:

Walton

Please select the applicable Board, Standing, Statutory, Sub or Ad Hoc Committee at which you are requesting to depute.

Student Achievement and Well-Being Catholic Education Human Resources Committee

Do you wish to Delegate by electronic means?

Yes

Do you require assistance from the Recording Secretary's Office? If yes, please contact the Recording Secretary's Office at delegations@tcdsb.org or the Recording Secretary at sophia.harris@tcdsb.org.

No

Do you wish to make your deputation in private session because the matter involves the disclosure of intimate, personal or financial information in respect of a member of the Board or Committee, an employee or prospective employee of the Board or a pupil of his or her parent or guardian?

No

Date of Deputation:

04-05-2022

Topic of Deputation:

TCDSB Gifted Withdrawal Program



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Key Issue(s):

- virtual learning limits opportunities for IEP-mandated academic enrichment
- virtual learning limits a teacher's ability to identify the potential need for mental health supports
- the TCDSB has removed the need for cohorting, masking, and physical distancing
- gifted withdrawal students are the only ones who are still being forced to cohort even though this practice is no longer in line with TCDSB guidelines

Brief Summary of the Topic of Deputation:

- sharing of the current virtual learning experiences of gifted learners
- reviewing of the added need for mental health supports for gifted learners
- analysing the possible implications for continuing to unnecessarily cohort gifted learners
- sharing of insights as an educator

Action Requested:

Reinstate the in-person gifted withdrawal program by the proposed date of April 18th, 2022 in alignment with the TCDSB mandate that has removed the need for student cohorting and physical separation as protective measures against Covid-19.

Please select one of the following options:

I am here as a delegation to speak only on my own behalf.

Submission Date:

03-31-2022