



# TCDSB Policy Register

## School Organization Change S.05

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### Policy:

1. The junior kindergarten to grade 8 community school will be the standard elementary school organization; and the standard secondary school organization will be grades 9 through 12.
2. The TCDSB may change a school organization where circumstances warrant.

### Regulations:

#### 1. Definitions:

- (a) The standard elementary school organization is a school with grades junior kindergarten through grade eight.
- (b) The junior elementary school organization is a school with grades junior kindergarten through grade six.
- (c) The senior elementary school organization is a school with exclusively intermediate students drawn from two or more junior schools.
- (d) The designated senior school organization is a school with an enrolment of 500 or more students, 350 of whom are in the intermediate division of a JK to grade eight school and are drawn from two or more junior schools.
- (e) The secondary school organization is a school which offers secondary credits.



2. Where the organization of a school requires review, or where a Catholic School Advisory Council requests a review of the school organization, a school organization review committee shall be formed.

3. School Organization Review Committee (SORC)

(a) The SORC will consist of:

- i. two members from the Catholic School Advisory Council(s) of each school affected by the proposed change in school organization,
- ii. the local trustee(s) for the school(s) affected by the proposed change,
- iii. the pastor(s) from the parish(es) in which the schools are located.

(b) Resource people to the SORC will consist of:

- i. the Deputy Director of Field Operations;
- ii. the superintendent(s) of the schools affected;
- iii. the principals of each school affected by the proposed change;
- iv. a representative of the school teaching staff chosen by the teaching staff.

4. Review Considerations by SORC

(a) The SORC will consult with interested groups to hear the implications of the proposed change in school organization.

(b) The review will consider the effects of the proposed change on enrolment, population trends, financial statistics and the growth potential of the schools to be affected.

(c) The review will include the implications of the needs and use of the schools by the Catholic school community.

(d) The review will include the program implications of the schools to be affected.

(e) The SORC will report to the secretary of the Board by the last day of February.

5. Where a change of organization is recommended by the SORC, the secretary of the Board shall submit a report including a time line and action plan to the April Board of Trustees meeting.