



REPORT TO

GOVERNANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS FOR SERVICES AND FACILITIES – A. 36

[2 Corinthians 8:13](#)

Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality.

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RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Vision:

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Mission: *Nurturing the faith development and academic excellence of our Catholic learning community through the love of God, neighbour, and self.*



MULTI-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN
2022 - 2025

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A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommends updating the current Policy A. 36 by merging it with Policy A. 35 in order to provide clarity and conform to current practices and policies

The cumulative staff time required to prepare this report was 30 hours.

B. PURPOSE

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

C. BACKGROUND

1. The Policy was first approved on March 31, 2010 and has not been amended since.
2. Changes to this policy reflect current practice and alignment with related policies A. 35 and A.36 as seen in Appendix A of this report.
3. The Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA), 2005 requires that all schools boards are compliant with the AODA t by 2025. An AODA Desk Audit was completed in January, 2022 to ensure that our policies aligned with the AODA. This resulted in the recommendation that we merge A.35 and A.36 to better manage the two policies.

D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS

This policy has been amended in consultation with the Ministry of Seniors and Accessibility Compliance Assurance Branch and staff from the Environmental Services Department, Communications Departments, Human Resources and Legal Services.

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, including the Accessibility Annual Status Report in January.

F. IMPLEMENTATION

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

G. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the revised and merged Policy A. 36 (Appendix A) Accessibility Standards for Services and Facilities be adopted and posted on the public website.