



REPORT TO

REGULAR BOARD

CONCUSSION POLICY

I am going to bring it recovery and healing; I will heal them and reveal to them abundance of prosperity and security. Jeremiah 33:6

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RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Vision: *IN GOD'S IMAGE: Growing in Knowledge, with Justice and Hope.*

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

IN GOD'S IMAGE: Growing in Knowledge, with Justice and Hope



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A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To provide the Governance and Policy Committee (GAP) with a proposed updated Concussion Policy, formerly S.26, (Appendix A - Tracked and Appendix B – Clean).

The cumulative staff time required to prepare this report was 13 hours.

B. PURPOSE

The proposed updated policy addresses GAP’s direction to review “Student Facing” Curriculum and Program policies.

C. BACKGROUND

1. On March 14, 2014, the Ministry of Education issued Policy/Program Memorandum (PPM) 158 directing school boards to develop a policy on Concussions.
2. On March 7, 2018, Rowan’s Law (Concussion Safety), was enacted, setting out a framework for concussion prevention, detection, and management within amateur competitive sport.
3. As a result of Rowan’s Law, the Ministry of Education revised PPM 158 that required school boards to update Concussion policies.
4. The Concussion Policy was last reviewed in January 2019.
5. On October 1, 2024, GAP approved the review of the Concussion Policy as part of the “Student Facing” Curriculum and Program Policies to be reviewed in the 2024-2025 school year.
6. On January 7, 2025, GAP approved the proposed updates to the policy.

D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS

1. The policy has been updated to simplify language, reflect updated Ontario Physical and Health Education Association language, and formatted into the new policy template.

E. METRICS AND ACCOUNTABILITY

1. The policy will be reviewed every five years.

F. GAP RECOMMENDATION

GAP recommends that the proposed Concussion Policy provided in Appendix A (tracked) and Appendix B (clean), be approved.