



REPORT TO

REGULAR BOARD

SCHOOL EXCURSIONS 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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Meeting Date

January 30, 2025

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

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A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To provide the Governance and Policy Committee (GAP) with proposed revisions to the School Excursions Policy, formerly S.E.01, (Appendix A - Tracked and Appendix B – Clean).

The cumulative staff time required to prepare this report was 12 hours.

B. PURPOSE

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

C. BACKGROUND

1. The School Excursion Policy was last reviewed in April 2019
2. On October 1, 2024, GAP approved the review of the School Excursion Policy as part of the “Student Facing” Curriculum and Program Policies.
3. On January 7, 2025, GAP approved the proposed updates to the policy.

D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS

1. Given the recent comments from the Premier, that kids should not be at protests and should instead be in school learning, pre-existing language in the policy has been moved from the definitions section to a new regulation. Additional updates include language from the Ontario Physical and Health Education Association.

E. METRICS AND ACCOUNTABILITY

1. The policy will be reviewed every five years.

F. GAP RECOMMENDATION

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