

CORPORATE SERVICES, STRATEGIC PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

NEW SCHOOL NAME FOR ST. BRUNO/ST. RAYMOND CATHOLIC SCHOOL

A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold. Proverbs 22:1

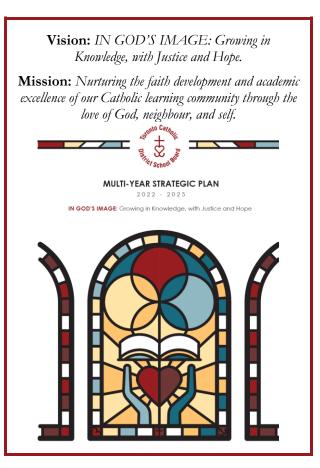
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Robert D'Addario, Superintendent of Education

RECOMMENDATION REPORT



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A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to recommend St. Peter as the school name for the new school being built at 270 Barton Avenue, following consultation as per the *School Names* Policy.

The cumulative staff time required to prepare this report was 10 hours

B. PURPOSE

- 1. This report is on the Order Paper of the Regular Board to provide background on the consultation process as per Board policy.
- 2. Recommend to the Board of Trustees to approve the name "St. Peter" for the new school built at 270 Barton Avenue.

C. BACKGROUND

St. Peter was one of the twelve Apostles and is the patron saint of Popes, fisherman, bakers, and harvesters. St. Peter's Catholic Church is in close proximity to the new building location and promotes unity and harmony through their motto, 'One Heart, One Mind.'

The Ministry of Education approved funding for a new 350 pupil school with three childcare rooms and St. Bruno and St. Raymond communities came together in 2017. Since then, there have been five Local Design Committee (LDC) meetings.

The demolition was delayed due to Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry requirement to accommodate an endangered bird species (Chimney Swifts). A Good Neighbour Meeting/Construction Management meeting was held on February 21st, 2023.

The St. Bruno/St. Raymond school community submitted the following names for consideration:

- 1. St. Bruno/St. Raymond
- 2. St. Peter

All stakeholders listed in the *School Names* Policy were consulted through meetings and surveys. The Archdiocese was consulted as per the *School Names* policy.

Anticipated occupancy date of the new school building is September 2, 2025.

D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS

- 1. As per *School Names* policy, the following individuals/groups were consulted to submit a name for the school:
 - a) The pastor in the name of his parish affiliated with the school where the school will be located.
 - b) The Catholic School Parent Council, students, and families.
 - c) The local Superintendent of Education for Area 5.
 - d) The local Trustee for Ward 9.
 - e) Superintendent of Education, Indigenous Education, Equity, and Community Relations.
 - f) The Archbishop of the Toronto Archdiocese.
 - g) TCDSB Director of Education.

E. METRICS AND ACCOUNTABILITY

The *School Names* Policy was followed by engaging the St. Bruno/St. Raymond community and support for "St. Peter" was unanimous.

F. RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the name "St. Peter" for the new school replacing St. Bruno/St. Raymond.