



## Director's Monthly Report

June 2025

June marks the end of another academic year full of tremendous accomplishments, challenges, and successes. Staff have served and led in our communities in such profound ways, and students continue to inspire and amaze with projects, initiatives, and leadership. We are so proud of every student and look forward to their on-going achievement moving forward whether continuing with us in Toronto Catholic or moving on to the next exciting chapter.

Our graduation ceremonies are such joyous occasions for staff, students, and families as our gyms, churches, community centers, and theatres are filled with pride as our students receive their well-earned recognition. I am privileged to be invited to share these experiences every year at both elementary and secondary graduations and look forward to doing so in many communities this year. I am always proud as Director, and this year as a proud dad again as I attend a very special elementary graduation for our youngest. I will be experiencing each graduation again this year as a teacher, principal, superintendent, director, and dad along with all proud parents, guardians, family and friends.

While the year is almost at a close, there is so much still to do! So many events, activities, celebrations, and culminating events throughout the system. Thank you to staff, volunteers, and students for making each so special. We wish our graduates the best as they savour these last few weeks, engage in final exams, and enjoy the chance to be together in community. God bless all students, staff, families, guardians, and community members for a safe, healthy, and happy summer!

Highlights from **June** include:

Celebrating **Faithfulness** as the **Virtue of the Month for June** and recognizing important observances such as: The Sacred Heart of Jesus, National Indigenous History Month, Filipino Canadian Heritage Month, Portuguese Canadian Heritage Month, Italian Canadian Heritage Month, Pride Month; Canadian Armed Forces Day, Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, World Environment Day (UN), Portugal Day, Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, All Saints Day, Filipino Heritage Day, Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Father's Day, World Sickle Cell Day, World Refugee Day, National Indigenous Peoples Day, Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist, Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul (Apostles), Red and White Day, and the last day of the school year.

- Attending the **Cricket Camp and Sports Festival** at Sunnybrook Park
- Participating and delivering greetings at the **Italian Heritage Month** Celebration at Cardinal McGuigan Catholic Secondary School and at the **Portuguese Heritage Month** Celebration at St. Sebastian Catholic Elementary School

- Along with the Chair delivering remarks at the **J.O.Y. (Just For You) Project Celebration** - celebrating close to 300 students who have participated in this art-based curriculum program with a focus on the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations
- Along with Senior staff meeting with **Toronto Public Health** to discuss joint public health and education priorities
- Attending and delivering greetings at the **Toronto Catholic Principals' and Vice Principals' Association (TCPVA) Annual Awards Dinner**
- Attending the **TCDSB Leadership Summit** alongside TCDSB Principals, centered on the theme *"Hope in Four Contexts,"* featuring keynote speaker David Well
- Attending the **TCDSB Student Nutrition Event** with Mayor Chow and the Angel Foundation at **The Divine Infant Catholic Elementary School**
- Along with the Chair delivering greetings at the **TCDSB and Angel Foundation Annual Year-End Mass and Awards Event** – recognizing student recipients of the Angel Foundation Tom Leon Bursary Award and Catherine Templeton Award.
- Attending the **Western North York Community Recreation Centre Groundbreaking Event** hosted by The City of Toronto
- Along with the Associate Director Boyce and the Capital team **visiting new school sites**
- Attending the reception for the opening of **Together: Visual Exploration Ontario's Art Collection Exhibition** at Queens' Park with Lieutenant Governor Dumont
- **Visiting and celebrating School Anniversaries:**
  - St. Norbert Catholic Elementary School 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
  - St. Paul VI Catholic Elementary School 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- Presenting the **TCDSB Innovation Exemplary Practice Awards** with local trustees, and local superintendents:
  - Father Henry Carr Catholic Secondary School
  - Immaculate Conception Catholic Elementary School
  - Monsignor Percy Johnson Catholic Secondary School
  - Our Lady of Wisdom Catholic Elementary School
  - St. Charles Garnier Catholic Elementary School
  - St. Leo Catholic Elementary School
  - St. Margaret Catholic Elementary School
  - St. Martin de Porres Catholic Elementary School
  - St. Mary Academy Catholic Secondary School
  - St. Michael Catholic Elementary School
  - St. Paul Catholic School Catholic Elementary School

- Bringing greetings on behalf of the **TCDSB at the graduation ceremony** to the Graduates of:
  - James Cardinal McGuigan Catholic Secondary School
  - Mary Ward Academy Catholic Secondary School
  - Monsignor Percy Johnson Catholic Secondary School
  - St. Bonaventure Catholic Elementary School Kindergarten Celebration
  - St. Cecilia Catholic Elementary School
  - St. Francis de Sales Catholic Elementary School
  - St. Josaphat Catholic Elementary School
  - St. Joseph's Morrow Park Catholic Secondary School
  - St. Mother Teresa Catholic Academy Catholic Secondary School
  - St. Patrick Catholic Secondary School Graduation
- **Meeting with Catholic Directors, particularly Catholic Directors from neighbouring GTA Catholic School Boards** in support of best practices, shared issues, solutions, and advocacy throughout Catholic education in Ontario