



REPORT TO

REGULAR BOARD

## REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE ON UPDATE TO SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE REPORTING POLICY (S.17)

*What can you do to promote world peace? Go home and love your family.  
-Mother Teresa*

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### First Tabling

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### Review

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### RECOMMENDATION REPORT

#### Vision:

*At Toronto Catholic we transform the world through witness, faith, innovation and action.*

#### Mission:

*The Toronto Catholic District School Board is an inclusive learning community rooted in the love of Christ. We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge and to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.*



#### Members of the Committee:

Maria Rizzo, Chair  
Nancy Crawford, Vice Chair  
Jo-Ann Davis, Trustee Ward 9  
Angela Kennedy, Ex-Officio  
Frank D'Amico, Ex-Officio

## **A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report recommends updates to the Suspected Child Abuse Reporting Policy (S.17), specifically amending Regulation 2 to “*All employees are required to review the TCDSB media clip regarding Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect on an annual school year basis,*” to assist the TCDSB with its responsibility to communicate employees’ legal requirement and ethical obligation to report suspected child abuse.

## **B. PURPOSE**

This Recommendation Report is on the Order Paper of the Regular Board as it recommends a policy revision.

## **C. APPENDIX**

APPENDIX A: Suspected Child Abuse Reporting Policy (S.17) with proposed amendments

## **D. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board accept the recommendation of the Governance and Policy Committee and approve the Suspected Child Abuse Reporting Policy (S.17) as amended and proposed in Appendix A.