

GOVERNANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

RESCIND SCHOOL SAFETY PATROLS POLICY (S.P.09)

You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you. Isaiah 26:3

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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 uniting home, parish and school and rooted in the love of Christ.

We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.



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A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Staff recommend rescinding the current School Safety Patrols policy (S.P. 09) as it is outdated and no longer current practice. The current policy is attached as APPENDIX A.

B. PURPOSE

This Recommendation Report is on the Order Paper of the Governance and Policy Committee as it recommends a policy to be rescinded.

C. BACKGROUND

The School Safety Patrols policy was approved on June 19, 1986. It has not been amended since.

D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS

- 1. The current policy states, "The TCDSB endorses the concept of school safety patrols and will cooperate with the Toronto police in establishing school safety patrols."
- 2. The TCDSB School Resource Officer (SRO) and Community School Liaison Officer (CSLO) Programs fulfil this role and much more. In addition to visiting school communities to build relationships with students and staff, officers participate in extra-curricular activities, school special events and sometimes even deliver modules within certain disciplines/curriculum. Both roles are outlined in the Police/School Board protocol.
- 3. The TCDSB Safe Schools Department works very closely with the Divisional Policing Support Unit (formerly Community Mobilization) who oversee these programs and provide training to the officers involved in these programs to ensure that their work is consistent with school board goals, expectations and protocols.

E. METRICS AND ACCOUNTABILITY

- 1. How will the recommendations in this report be monitored by policy development staff.
- 2. There is no need for further reporting to Board once the policy is rescinded.

F. IMPLEMENTATION, STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN

Policy development staff will ensure the policy is removed from the policy register.

G. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the School Safety Patrols policy (S.P. 09) be rescinded.