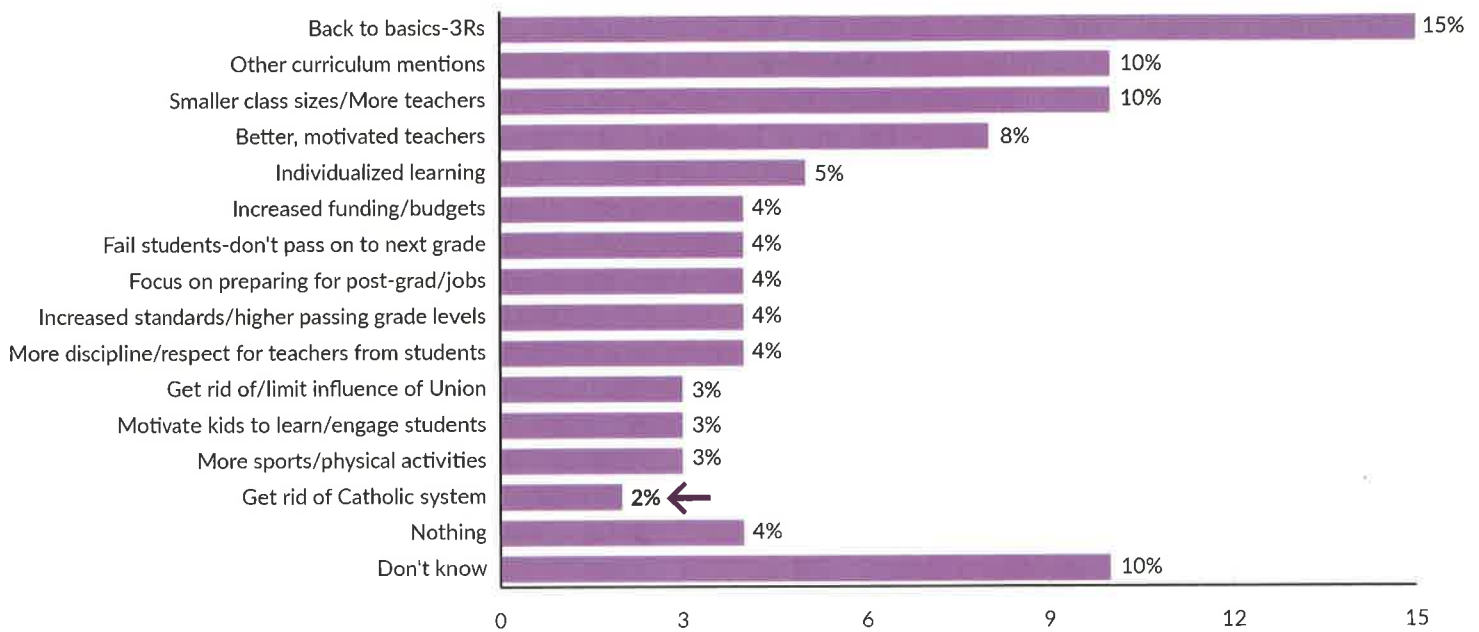


# Education Issues in Ontario: 2013 Survey

"What is the most important change or improvement that needs to be made in Ontario's school system?"



\*Conducted in November 2013, on-line, using high quality panel sample. 810 Ontarians completed the survey.

## 'Amalgamation' of public and Catholic schools:

### Cost savings? No

Funding is per-pupil.

The only way to achieve significant savings would be to have fewer students, or to cut programs and services.

Coterminous Catholic and public boards currently work together through a variety of successful partnerships in purchasing, transportation, energy management and other shared services.

### Upheaval? Yes

Merging systems would require massive disruption, with changes in school boundaries potentially displacing hundreds of thousands of students and closing schools in every community.

## Teaching the Ontario curriculum

Ontario's Catholic schools obey the law, and follow Ministry of Education guidelines.

We teach the provincial curriculum, as we always have, through a Catholic lens.

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# Ontario's publicly funded Catholic Schools

Adding to Ontario's diverse social fabric for over 175 years

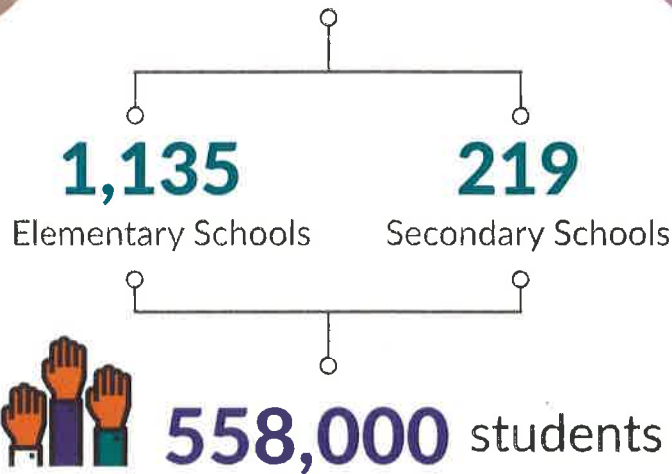
Ontario's Catholic schools are an integral pillar in Ontario's public education system, helping millions of students to achieve their full spiritual, academic, physical and emotional potential; a shared responsibility with all MPPs



**29** Catholic School Boards



**1,354**  
Catholic Schools



## EXPECTATIONS OF CATHOLIC SCHOOL GRADUATES:



Discerning believer



Effective communicator



Reflective, creative and holistic thinker



Self-directed, responsible, lifelong learner



Collaborative contributor



Caring family member



Responsible citizen