

Together in Faith



Ontario Catholic School
Trustees' Association

Ensure your local MPP knows how important publicly funded Catholic education is to your community and this province.

Our history:

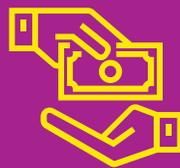
For more than 150 years, Ontario's culturally diverse and inclusive Catholic schools have contributed to the success of the province's education system.

In one year:



1,000,000+

Parents choose
Catholic schools



2.3 million

Catholic school rate
payers



600,000+

Students
educated each
year

The cost of amalgamation:



\$0

Savings from
eliminating Catholic
schools



\$1.1 billion

Estimated cost of
amalgamation between
1998 – 2001



Unlimited

Chaos for all Ontarians
if amalgamation were
to occur.

Education funding in Ontario is per-pupil based. The only way to achieve significant savings would be to have fewer students and/or to close schools.

Stand up for publicly funded Catholic education in Ontario! Share the facts and celebrate the contribution of Catholic education to the life of this province.

Make your voice heard

Five ways you can support Catholic education:

1. Inform your candidate about the importance of Ontario's Catholic schools by using our online tool to send a message to your local candidate. Here's the link: www.togetherinfaith.ca/takeaction.
2. Add your name in support of Catholic education at www.togetherinfaith.ca.
3. Like, share and follow our social posts on Twitter and Facebook. Make your voice heard!
4. Speak up for Catholic education in your community — let everyone know the time is now to stand up for Catholic education.
5. Submit stories to www.togetherinfaith.ca to recognize provincially the focus on faith, service, inclusion and academic excellence in Ontario's Catholic schools.

Share these reasons why you support Catholic education with your local MPP:

- Ontario is widely seen as having one of the best public education systems in the world. Catholic schools have always been a pillar in that system — since before Confederation.
- More than 1 million parents in Ontario choose Catholic schools. Choice in our education system is something I greatly appreciate.
- I am proud to be part of a great Catholic public education system. I hope I can count on your continuing support for Catholic education.

Together, we can strengthen Catholic education in the province of Ontario.



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