



Hello Parents in the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board,

Welcome to the Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education Family as the OAPCE Liaison Representative for your school!

My name is Ashley Madonna and I am the OAPCE Director for Simcoe Muskoka. I am the Parish and Community Rep and OAPCE rep for St Cecilia Catholic Elementary CSEC. I have 2 children, who attend St Cecilia and 1 child still in daycare.

OAPCE is the voice of parents and guardians of children enrolled in publicly funded Catholic Education in Ontario. My role as OAPCE Director is to represent you as in the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District school board at the regional and provincial level of our organization.

OAPCE Liaison Representatives are responsible for providing information between Parent Councils and OAPCE. This vital role is mandated through the Education Act in Regulation 612 - The OAPCE representatives are voting members that are part of the Parent Council. I will be forwarding information to share with your councils and hope to establish two-way communication with you to better represent you.

The first piece of information is to ensure you sign up for the emails from OAPCE as well as share them with me. Parents will have access to the Ministry of Education and Catholic Parent communications, as well as surveys, resources and valuable information as well.

We also will have regional committee meetings where you can attend and connect with other OAPCE representatives from your school board. This is a platform for all the OAPCE representatives to come together to receive pertinent information regarding Catholic Education as well as being able to connect with other parents in our region. OAPCE meetings are always interesting, fun and a great way to learn from other parents! Our first meeting is: November 20, 2023 @ 7:00 pm (via Zoom). You can find the agenda here: <https://oapce.org/muskoka/>

Thank you for your time. If you have any questions you can reach me at simcoem@oapce.org.

Sincerely,

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