



Spring Regional Report

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Algonquin & Lakeshore CDSB	Bruce Grey CDSB
Brant Haldimand Norfolk CDSB	CDSB of Eastern Ontario
Durham CDSB	Huron-Perth CDSB
Huron-Superior CDSB	Kenora CDSB
Northeastern CDSB	Northwest CDSB
Renfrew County CDSB	Sudbury CDSB
Superior North CDSB	Thunder Bay CDSB
Waterloo CDSB	Windsor-Essex CDSB



Regional Report – Spring 2026

This winter marked a transition for OAPCE, as the Chair position was vacated following the retirement of *Denise Garell-Teti*. Director Pawlowski was honoured to be elected to this role and looks forward to representing OAPCE.

Provincial Update: OAPCE Conference

The 87th Annual Conference was held at St. Francis Xavier Secondary School, Mississauga (Dufferin-Peel Catholic School Board) and focused on being a genuine shepherd in an AI world..

Opening remarks from Bishop Mathieu highlighted the value of Catholic education and the role of parents as primary educators.

[Bishop Mathieu Conference Message](#)

Conference Highlights

Keynotes from Lucy Colangelo and GianCarlo Brotto emphasized:

- Intentional use of technology
- The importance of forming the whole child
- The need for balance, boundaries, and faith-based decision-making

Echoing Pope Francis, the message reinforced that technology must be guided by a strong moral compass.



Conference Highlights:

<https://oapce.org/oapce-2026-conference-highlights/>

OAPCE Parent Voice Survey

Parents are encouraged to complete the **OAPCE Parent Voice Survey**:

[OAPCE Parent Voice Survey](#)

This survey gathers parent perspectives across Ontario and helps inform OAPCE advocacy efforts, ensuring that the parent voice remains central in decisions impacting Catholic education.

Provincial Advocacy

OAPCE recently issued an open letter to Paul Calandra. Key points include:

- **Protecting publicly funded Catholic education**
- **Recognizing parents as primary educators**
- **Ensuring transparency and consultation in decision-making**
- **Supporting student well-being in an evolving educational landscape**

[OAPCE Open Letter to the Minister](#)



Next Steps

School communities are encouraged to:

- Share OAPCE updates at Parent Council meetings
- Promote participation in the Parent Voice Survey
- Stay informed through OAPCE resources

Key OAPCE Links to share with your Parent Council:

[OAPCE Website](#)

[OAPCE Blog & Newsletter](#)

[Reflection on Hope](#)

Please join us on Monday June 1 for our AGM, Agenda details are here:

<https://oapce.org/oapce-agm-details-coming-soon/>

Together, through strong partnerships and faith-centred leadership, parents and educators continue to guide students in an ever-evolving world.

OAPCE TEAM