



OAPCE Halton

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Provincial Updates

OAPCE Conference

Registration is now open for the upcoming OAPCE Conference. Parents and council representatives are encouraged to attend this important provincial gathering to connect, learn, and strengthen Catholic education leadership.

Conference details and registration information can be found here:

<https://oapce.org/events/>

A draft letter will be shared with regional representatives that may be used to request board funding to help subsidize the cost of attendance.

Advocacy – Letter to the Minister of Education

OAPCE recently issued an Open Letter to the Honourable Minister of Education, Paul Calandra, on behalf of parents across Ontario. The letter highlights:

- The importance of protecting publicly funded Catholic education
- The central role of parents as primary educators
- The need for continued consultation and transparency in decisions impacting Catholic families

The full letter can be read here:

<https://oapce.org/an-open-letter-to-the-honourable-minister-of-education-paul-calandra/>

Regional Updates / Key Points to Bring Back to Parent Councils

Please share the following at your next Parent Council meeting:

- OAPCE Newsletter (Parents4Parents)
<https://oapce.org/blog/>
- Conference Registration Information
<https://oapce.org/events/>
- Reflection on *Leading with Hope*
<https://oapce.org/reflection-on-hope/>
- OAPCE Open Letter to the Minister of Education
<https://oapce.org/an-open-letter-to-the-honourable-minister-of-education-paul-calandra/>

Please encourage parents to visit www.oapce.org regularly for updates, blog posts, advocacy communications, and provincial resources.

TO DO:

Please continue to:

- Read and share the OAPCE Newsletter
- Bring updates back to your local Parent Councils
- Encourage parent engagement in provincial initiatives
- Follow OAPCE on Facebook and Instagram to stay connected with timely announcements and advocacy updates

Together, as parents supporting parents, we strengthen Catholic education across Ontario.