



OAPCE Regional Report

Region: Hamilton CDSB

Director: E. Wylie

Date: March April 2025

1. Director Wylie contributed to the March edition of the Parents4Parents Press with a blog on opportunities for high school students to pursue the skilled trades. [The Future is Bright in Skilled Trades – OAPCE-Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education](#)
2. Director Wylie presented about OAPCE at the HWCDSB Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) meeting on March 19, 2025.
3. Director Wylie helped host the OAPCE Virtual All Regions meeting on April 24, 2025. The keynote speaker J. Adegbe-Sanusi presented on Financial Literacy 101. Her presentation, *Financial Literacy 101*, offered practical advice on preparing for the future—highlighting topics such as life insurance, emergency savings, and thoughtful investment planning through a Catholic lens.
4. OAPCE presented some **early findings from the 2025 OAPCE Parent Survey**, along with visual graphs created from initial data analysis. While a full report will be released in the near future, preliminary insights affirm that families strongly value the Catholic foundation of their children's education. Parents also expressed a desire for more open communication, consistency in policy implementation, and continued opportunities to be active and informed partners in the educational journey.
5. Director Wylie has been involved with preparations for the upcoming OAPCE provincial conference in Niagara on March 24, 2025. As part of J. Perri's presentation, "Coming Together as the Power of One", she will be

sharing some of her advocacy journey as a parent of a child with special needs in the Ontario Catholic school system.

Provincial Updates to Bring Back to Your Parent Councils

OAPCE Conference

Saturday, May 24, 2025, in Niagara Falls at St. Michael's High School

- ☐ Date: May 24, 2025
- ☐ Location: Saint Michael Catholic High School, Niagara Falls, ON
- ☐ Address: 8699 McLeod Rd, Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6S5
- ☐ In Partnership With: Niagara Catholic District School Board

Registration link: [Events – OAPCE-Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education](#)

OAPCE Parent Survey is almost closing!

OAPCE is surveying parents across the province to help advocate for parents in Catholic education and provide feedback to the Ministry of Education. Please encourage **all parents** in your school communities to participate and complete [the survey form](#).

Social Media

- Follow us on Instagram @OAPCE85 and don't forget to follow us on X @OAPCEONTARIO
- Follow our Facebook page OAPCE85!

Latest Edition of our Parent 4 Parent Press

- Available now <https://oapce.org/parents-4-parents/>
- Ensure to subscribe to receive these newsletters and other communication from OAPCE <https://oapce.org/contact/>
- Share our Parents 4 Parents press with your school admin to send out to the school community.

Things to discuss and share at your next meeting

1. Encourage parents to attend our upcoming conference May 24! [Events – OAPCE-Ontario Association of Parents in Catholic Education](#)
2. Share [Parents4Parents newsletter](#)
3. Check out our [OAPCE Blog topics](#) and share them with your council
4. Share updates about [OAPCE in Action](#)
5. Ask ten parents to subscribe to our distribution list by visiting our website or [Subscribe here](#)
6. Ensure that OAPCE is a standing item on your school council agenda