



## OAPCE Regional Report

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**Region: Simcoe Muskoka**

**Director: Ashley Madonna**

**Date: May/June 2024**

1. On May 6, 2024 Director Madonna attended SMCDSB CPIC (virtually) to present information about OAPCE membership, conference and monthly regional report. After speaking, CPIC members unanimously agreed to continue our board's OAPCE membership.
2. Director Madonna attended Queen's Park in May with the Co-Executive Directors and Directors for OAPCE. It was an amazing day and included an audience with (then) Education Minister Stephen Lecce, MPP Michael Ford, and Premier Doug Ford. You can see more details in the [Queen's Park Visit](#) Post on the OAPCE website.
3. On June 10, 2024 Director Madonna attended a virtual All Regions Meeting followed by the OAPCE AGM. Information was shared by Co-Executive Director Joe Perri about "Super Parents" and advocacy. [Meeting highlights](#), [Year End Report](#), and [Position Paper](#) have been linked here and are also available on the OAPCE website.
4. Director Madonna attended a Board of Directors meeting via Zoom on June 13, 2024. OAPCE Directors discussed the OAPCE strategic plan for the upcoming year.

5. Director Madonna responded to Simcoe Muskoka OAPCE representative and liaison emails and inquiries.
6. OAPCE Issued a statement of support for the new Cell Phone and Vaping policy PPM 128 that can be found here:  
<https://oapce.org/oapce-statement/> OAPCE Co-Executive Director is also on the Task Force with the Ministry of Education and other educational partners to discuss how the implementation will take place in the Fall.
7. In April OAPCE released an important Position Paper titled “Empowering Parents and Preserving Catholic Education: Ensuring Student Success and Well-Being in Ontario” Please share with your school communities and families.  
<https://oapce.org/wp-content/uploads/Position-Paper2024.pdf>
8. Social Media  
Our new Instagram account is now live! Follow us @OAPCE85 and don't forget to follow us on X @OAPCEONTARIO

### **UPCOMING:**

Director Madonna is scheduled to meet with Director of Education Frances Bagley on June 25, 2024 via Google Meet to present the OAPCE Year End Report and discuss any regional items.

### **Items to bring back to your CSCC:**

- ★ Share June [Parents4Parents Newsletter](#)
- ★ Share [Year End Report](#)
- ★ Share the [June Meeting Highlights](#)
- ★ Encourage parents to sign up for the OAPCE Distribution List.

- ★ Encourage parents to visit [OAPCE website](#)
- ★ Invite Director Madonna, SMCDSB OAPCE Regional Director to speak at your upcoming Parent Council Meeting (CSCC).

If you have any questions, please reach out! Wishing you a wonderful summer with your family!

Thank you,

**Ashley Madonna**

OAPCE Regional Director - Simcoe Muskoka

