



Hello Parents and Guardians in the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board,

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

My name is Ashley Madonna, and I am the OAPCE Director for SMCDSB. I am the Parish and Community Representative and also the OAPCE Liaison Representative on the Parent Council at St. Cecilia Catholic Elementary School where my 3 children attend. I am also a member of the Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) with the board.

OAPCE is the voice of parents and guardians of children enrolled in publicly funded Catholic education in Ontario. My role as an OAPCE Director is to represent you within the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board at the regional and provincial levels of our organization.

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

As a representative, one of the first things you should do is sign up for OAPCE emails on our website by clicking here: [SUBSCRIBE](#). This will grant you access to communications from the Ministry of Education and Catholic Parent resources, including surveys and valuable information that you can share with council members and parent communities.

We will also have regional committee meetings where you can attend and connect with other OAPCE representatives from your school board. This platform enables all OAPCE representatives to come together to receive pertinent information regarding Catholic education and to connect with other parents in our region. Our first meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 19th, 2025 @ 7 pm (virtually). You can find the meeting information and agendas here: [MEETINGS](#)

I would love to hear about the great things happening in your schools, so please share details about any events or celebrations. Do not hesitate to contact me with any questions at simcoem@oapce.org. I look forward to meeting all the amazing parents and guardians making a difference throughout SMCDSB.

Sincerely,

Ashley Madonna
OAPCE Director, Simcoe Muskoka

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OAPCE Co-Executive Directors