

# NIPISSING-PARRY SOUND CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

## ADVOCACY

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### **POLICY:**

The Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board's communication with the Ontario government is an important activity to identify, discuss and find solutions to policy and financial issues. The Board is committed to focus its discussions and communication with the Ontario government in an honest and respectful manner in support of its distinctive Catholic mission to both form and inform students in mind, body and spirit.

### **PRINCIPLES:**

1. Focus on ongoing communication between school boards, education partners and governments through established mechanisms and channels.
2. Avoid basing communications on personal or partisan political agendas.
3. Maximize resources for student success and achievement.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE:**

1. Expenditures for advocacy must be in keeping with the intent of the policy and principles and must be pre-approved by the Director and the Chair of the Board.
2. Significant advocacy expenditures require a statement of rationale and the approval of the Board of Trustees.
3. Advocacy expenditures incurred on behalf of the Board need to be reviewed and approved by the Director of Education.
4. Suitable advocacy expenditures include:
  - Membership dues and fees to trustee or school board associations.
  - Provincial advocacy or lobby initiatives or campaigns directed to the government which should be done, for the most part, through the established trustee or school board association.