



NIAGARA FOUNDATION FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION

“MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR STUDENTS IN NEED”

The Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education is a registered charitable foundation that supports the Niagara Catholic District School Board with a mission to promoting excellence in academic and religious studies and to encouraging students to achieve the highest level of success in the academic, social, college and skills and training programs within a Catholic- centred environment. The foundation does not replace traditional funding for education, but is an arms-length registered charity that supports Niagara Catholic students, many of them with essential needs through a variety of programs and services not supported by government funding.

Many children in the Niagara Region are going to school without the basic essentials they require to be active and ready to learn. Some start their school day without proper nourishment; they lack necessities such as shoes, warm clothing, eye glasses for proper vision, personal hygiene products, funding for school supplies, school uniforms, and equipment for students with special needs.

Several families in the Niagara Region are financially unable to help their children achieve their educational goals beyond secondary school. The Foundation, within its capabilities, will assist in providing financial support to students who need assistance. In recent years, a number of scholarships have been presented to students attending Niagara Catholic District School Board schools. The Foundation is also a proud financial supporter of Niagara Nutrition Partners, a program of Community Care which promotes the connection between healthy food choices and improved learning through the provision of breakfast, lunch and snacks at school or community-based programs. Currently, each day, more than 17,000 children and youth are nourished in over 200 schools and community-based programs. Statistic show that in the Niagara Region, one in five students goes to school hungry, they wait in line before class to have a breakfast, for lunch, they have pizza scraps from the previous night's supper. Poverty is very often associated with third world countries that Niagara area residents regularly hear about and support, perhaps little realizing that poverty or special needs exists right here at home. Some of these individuals, without our knowledge could very well be our neighbours.

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Foundation funding is realized through Fundraising Activities, Monetary and Memorial Donations, Bequests, Life Insurance Proceeds and Gifts in Kind.

In recent years, two major fundraisers in support of the Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education have been the annual Bishop's Gala and the Charity Golf Classic. These two events have been the main life-blood of the Foundation. Now with a desire to achieve more necessary funding in order to assist a wider area of needs, the Foundation is attempting to expand its financial base. It would be greatly appreciated if consideration could be given to making the Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education a charity of choice by filling out the attached pledge form and returning it to: Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education, 427 Rice Road, Welland, Ontario L3C 7C1.

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