

## **HALTON CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD CODE OF ETHICS for the Catholic school council members**

- A member shall be guided by the mission statements of our School Board and the individual school.
- A member shall endeavour to be familiar with school policies and operating practices and act in accordance with them.
- A member shall practise the highest standards of honesty, accuracy, integrity and truth.
- A member shall recognize and respect the personal integrity of each member of the school community.
- A member shall encourage a positive atmosphere where individual contributions are encouraged and valued.
- A member shall apply democratic principles.
- A member shall consider the best interests of *all* students.
- A member shall respect the confidential nature of some school business and respect limitations this may place on the operation of the school council.
- A member shall not disclose confidential information.
- A member shall limit discussions at school council meetings to matters of concern to the school community as a whole.
- A member shall use the appropriate communication channels when questions or concerns arise.
- A member shall promote high standards of ethical practice within the school community.
- A member shall accept accountability for decisions.
- A member shall declare any conflict of interest.
- A member shall accept no payment for school council activities, except as permitted by Regulation 612/00 and Board Policy.