

## Administrative Procedure 201

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### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

#### Background

The culture of our Catholic schools is intended to provide an environment of beliefs, values and actions that invite people in the community to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ. Knowing and understanding the teachings and tradition of the Catholic Church is a necessary and integral part of faith development. The core program includes a specific course in religious studies at each grade level. Knowledge of Catholic beliefs and values are integrated into all subjects in the curriculum. The education of the student in the Catholic school is dependent upon the co-operation of home, parish and school. The work of the parish and of the school builds upon the most important foundation of faith which is created within the family. Our Catholic schools encourage an active participation in parish life and so there exists a mutual relationship of support.

Knowledge of Catholic values is an integral part of the education the students receive in our Catholic schools, therefore all students in our Division are expected to register in and attend religious studies.

#### Procedures

1. The Coordinator of Curriculum/Religious Studies will administer the religious education curriculum in consultation with the Bishop, Principals and Superintendent.
2. Students are expected to take a locally approved religious studies course for each year of attendance

Reference: Section 50, 60, 61, 113, School Act  
Guide to Education: ECS to Grade 12

