

## REPORT TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES October 30, 2018

Deb Crawford, Director of Education

SUBJECT:	St. Clair Summer Learning Camp 2018
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## BACKGROUND:

The St. Clair Catholic Summer Learning Camp for primary students is funded through a grant provided by the Ministry of Education, and supported by the Ontario Council of Directors of Education. We were able to fund an additional classroom through our Rural and Northern Education Funding. This camp is a team effort, supported by all departments in the St. Clair Catholic District School Board. It was locally designed to meet the needs of our students and families, and has grown and evolved over the years. Schools are provided a prorated number of invitations based on student population, and teachers and administration invite students based on need. This past summer, twenty-two of our twenty-six schools had students participate.

Year	Sites	Number of Classrooms	Number of Students	Number of Staff
2014	Georges P. Vanier, Chatham	3	60	6 teachers
2015	Georges P. Vanier, Chatham St. Matthew, Sarnia	6	126	12 teachers
2016	Georges P. Vanier, Chatham St. Matthew, Sarnia	8	149	16 teachers
2017	Georges P. Vanier, Chatham St. Matthew, Sarnia St. Elizabeth, Wallaceburg	9	159	18 teachers 8 robotics students
2018	Georges P. Vanier, Chatham St. Matthew, Sarnia St. Elizabeth, Wallaceburg St. Anne, Blenheim	10	197	20 teachers 8 robotics students

This three-week camp runs the second through fourth week of July each year, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. daily. The morning is focussed on literacy and numeracy instruction and the afternoon is experiential learning. Individual site calendars are developed to reflect the local community opportunities and partnerships.

Ongoing assessment is used to determine students' instruction needs and progress. Mathematics and literacy diagnostics are completed at the beginning and at the end of the camp. Formative assessment is conducted throughout the camp to inform instruction.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

**That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board receive the report:** *St. Clair Summer Learning Camp 2018*, for information.