



St. Clair Catholic
District School Board



Enclosure 7

New Gregory A. Hogan Catholic School Donation

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Background

In January 2018, the Ministry of Education announced \$14,371,913 in funding for the new Catholic elementary school in Sarnia. A further \$2,672,104 was approved for a child care facility in the school, with five rooms and 88 child care spaces. When members of the Gregory A. Hogan Catholic School community relocate to the new site on Rapids Parkway in September 2023, they will carry the Hogan name with them and begin a new chapter in the school's history.

The school opened in 1978 and was named after Gregory A. Hogan, a prominent Catholic businessman and former Catholic School Trustee in Sarnia. In 2003, French Immersion was introduced to Junior and Senior Kindergarten, with a grade added per year. Construction on the new school is expected to begin in the Fall of 2021 and be completed by the Summer of 2023.

On March 2, 2021 the St. Clair District Catholic Education Foundation, on behalf of the Board, accepted a donation from Barry A., Marcia, Barry M. and Erika Hogan in the amount of \$200,000. This donation will support the inclusion of a 900 square foot community room in the new Gregory A. Hogan Catholic School.

In addition to being centres of excellence for students, our Catholic schools are also committed to serving our communities. School facilities are used by many community organizations to run programs and events outside of school hours. Community rooms are non-instructional areas of the school that can be used during the school day for specialized programs, such as instrumental music, second language supports and training.

On May 18, 2021 the Board received a scope change approval from the Ministry of Education (Ministry) to include an additional 900 square feet of space to accommodate the community room in the design of the new school. On May 25, 2021 the Ministry approved a revised facility space template to assist the Board's architect in proceeding forward with the school design.

Board staff were pleased to meet with Barry and Erika on June 16, 2021, to present the school



design; and to express our sincere appreciation for the generous donation and for the continued support of the Hogan family to the Gregory A. Hogan school community. We are also pleased to express our thanks and appreciation publicly this evening.

Appendix A provides the design renderings for the planned community room at the new Gregory A. Hogan Catholic School in Sarnia.

Recommendations

That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board receive the report: *New Gregory A. Hogan Catholic School Donation* for information.



Appendix A

New Gregory A. Hogan Catholic School Community Room Design Renderings

