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Subject: **Stronger Together Student Census Update**

BACKGROUND

The purpose of the SCCDSB Stronger Together Student Census is to better understand our students and their school communities, identify and eliminate barriers to student success, and develop effective programs, supports and resources to best meet student needs and promote student well-being, achievement, and success. The goal of the census is to ensure school environments are welcoming to all identities, cultures, races, ethnicities, abilities, and genders.

The question-and-answer choices on the census are informed by and based on the recommendations by the Ministry of Education, Ontario's Education Equity Action Plan, the Data Standards for the Identification and Monitoring of Systemic Racism, the Ontario Human Rights Commission, and the 2016 Canadian Census.

The Stronger Together Student Census remained open from Monday, May 16 through to Friday, May 27, 2022, for students from K-12. Summary data reports will be provided to our board by December 2022. To protect the privacy and confidentiality of students and their families, report findings from the Stronger Together Student Census will only contain data about groups of students and not individual students. Individual student data or information from the Stronger Together Student Census will not be released. The data will be analyzed and utilized to inform decision making and supports for students.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board receive the report: *Stronger Together Student Census Update* for information.