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ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC TRUSTEES RECEIVE REPORT ON BOARD CALENDAR FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Trustees for the St. Clair Catholic District School Board have endorsed the proposed calendar for the 2020-2021 school year.

Calendars must be drafted in accordance with the *Education Act* and *Regulation 304 – School Year Calendar – Professional Activity Days*. The regular school year calendar is the period between September 1st and June 30th.

Under *Regulation 304*, school boards are required to designate three mandatory PA days per school year. Boards also have the authority to designate up to an additional four PA days per school year. The regulation also requires that the school year is to include a minimum of 194 school days. As a result, the minimum number of instructional days per school year is 187 and the total maximum number of possible PA days per school year is seven.

A consultation process was undertaken for the 2020-2021 calendar, which included the Lambton Kent District School Board, CSC Providence, the leadership of St. Clair Catholic's unions and associations and the Board Advisory Parent Council.

The proposed draft school year calendar includes the following:

- The school year for students will begin on Tuesday, September 8, 2020
- The final day for students is June 29, 2021
- Professional Activity days are scheduled for:
 - September 2, 2020
 - September 3, 2020
 - October 9, 2020
 - November 20, 2020
 - February 3, 2021
 - June 4, 2021
 - June 30, 2021
- Thanksgiving is October 12, 2020
- The Christmas Break is December 21, 2020 to January 1, 2021
- Family Day is February 15, 2021
- The March Break is March 15, 2021 to March 19, 2021
- Good Friday and Easter Monday are April 2, 2021 and April 5, 2021
- Victoria Day is May 24, 2021
- Secondary School Examination days are:
 - Semester 1: January 27, 2021 to February 2, 2021
 - Semester 2: June 23, 2021 to June 29, 2021

The proposed calendar will now be submitted to the Ministry of Education. It is not considered final until ministry approval is granted.

