

Draft 2025-2026 Original Estimates

The Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario's Board of Trustees has approved the budget for the 2025-2026 school year. Projected enrollment data shows a slight increase for both elementary and secondary levels, totaling an expected increase of 89 pupil places, or 1 per cent. Core education funding variances as well as other revenue sources and responsive education programs were detailed for trustees. Total revenue for compliance is estimated at \$232.2 million. Other revenue sources and responsive education programs were also detailed for Trustees. Draft expenditures, staffing estimates, salaries and benefits, budget reconciliation, and accumulated surplus calculations were presented. All expenditure areas were carefully reviewed for efficiencies and to ensure excellence in Catholic program delivery for students across Eastern Ontario.

"Many thanks to you and your team for all of the hard work that was done to bring this budget forward," concluded Chair Cummings.

Certificates of Appreciation

At the June 17 Board Meeting, the CDSBEO honoured a number of deserving individuals through the presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to acknowledge and celebrate their outstanding achievements and notable talents. The following are this year's award recipients:

Muhammad Shahrukh, Holy Trinity Catholic Secondary School: Muhammad (Mo) Shahrukh from Holy Trinity Catholic Secondary School, earned acclaim at the Canada Wide Science Fair for "The Exosuit," a lift-assistance innovation. His project won major awards, including the OPG Top 6 Award and a Carleton University Entrance Award. A graduating Ontario Scholar, he will study Engineering at Carleton University, demonstrating his passion for innovation and commitment to success.

Connor Morrison, Connor Macpherson, Xavier Vandusen, Austin Dubeau, and Liam Morrison, St. Francis de Sales Catholic School: This All-Boys Hip Hop Group from Flare Dance Studio has excelled in competitive dance, earning High Gold and Platinum awards, culminating in a second-place finish at the National Finals in Niagara Falls. Their performances, dedication, and passion have positioned them as one of Canada's top-ranked all-boys groups, inspiring audiences and earning widespread acclaim across the province.

Charles Shannan, St. John Catholic High School: Charlie, a St. John CHS athlete, excelled at the Strength Collective Spring Regional Weightlifting Championship, winning the 83kg division with a combined total of 1,063 lbs. His victory secured a Nationals spot in St. John's,

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Newfoundland. With determination and talent, Charlie continues to shine in Canadian powerlifting, preparing for future competitions and representing his school with pride.

Oliver Allatt, St. John Catholic High School: Oliver Allatt, captain of the Eastern Ontario Rugby Union U16 team, led his squad to an unbeaten record and a Championship win at the Tropical 7's Rugby Tournament in Tampa Bay. This historic victory earned him a spot on the U17 team, showcasing his leadership and skill as he prepares to compete at the Calgary Stampede Tournament this summer.

Haylea Maitland, St. Joseph Catholic School, Toledo: Haylea Maitland, a member of the Grenville 4-H Club, excelled at the Canadian 4-H Dairy Classic, achieving top placements in multiple categories with her calf, "Delcreek Fatally Famous" at the Royal Winter Fair. Her success reflects her dedication to agriculture, balancing rigorous farm work and academic excellence at St. Joseph Catholic School, while embodying values that inspire her community.

Isabella St. Louis and Audrée van den Oetelaar, Holy Trinity Catholic Secondary School: Isabella and Audrée excelled in trades education, achieving success in welding, carpentry, and safety certifications. They won the Eastern Ontario Skills Competition and represented their board at provincial levels. Graduating with SHSM Agriculture accreditation, their leadership and pioneering efforts inspire future generations of girls in trades, breaking barriers and fostering a legacy of empowerment and achievement.

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