



WATERLOO REGION CATHOLIC
SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

Bridging the gap ... making a difference for our children

October 2019

Dear Staff Member,

Re: Employee • Payroll Deduction Program

The Waterloo Region Catholic Schools Foundation, a registered charitable foundation with a community-based board of directors, is committed to supporting the students of the Waterloo Catholic District School Board, to ensure that the potential of all learners is realized in three dimensions:

MIND • BODY • SOUL.

The Foundation proudly sponsors many important initiatives and services to enrich our students' lives including the following:

- Annual grants totaling \$50,000 to support many school needs including those in Music, Athletics, Technology, Faith Formation, Retreats, Theatre Arts
- Annual Awards of Distinction for Graduating students in all Secondary Schools
- Annual Awards of Distinction for Graduating Students in all Elementary Schools
- Annual Student Subsidies for the WCDSB Elementary Retreat Programs
- Resurrection CSS Sports Field Electronic Scoreboard (2016)
- St. Mary's CSS Sports Field Electronic Scoreboard (2016)
- Annual grants totaling over \$60,000 through 3rd party funds to give those families in need a hand up
- Annual scholarships and bursaries totaling over \$100,000 through 3rd party donors who are committed to supporting our graduating students' positive academic pursuits.

The Foundation has created opportunities for parents, community leaders, residents of Waterloo Region, and educators to invest in our children through participation in our fundraising initiatives (annual Links For Learning Golf Tournament, theatre evenings and the annual Bishop's Banquet), through charitable donations through THE ANNUAL WATERLOO REGION CATHOLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION: EMPLOYEE PAYROLL DEDUCTION PROGRAM.

Through this program, current and retired employees have several convenient donation options:

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- a one-time tax deductible donation
- or you can arrange for a donation to be taken off your pay in one lump sum
- or you can arrange for a donation to be spread over the year.

This year you have a chance to win one of 3 Prizes that have been donated by Friends of the Foundation. Please see the Flyer for more details. Whatever method you choose, you do so with the confidence that 100% of your donation will benefit the students of Waterloo Region Catholic Schools. You can even predetermine the area(s) that your money will be directed to e.g. Arts, Athletics, Spiritual Formation, Technology, or individual schools.

Take a few moments to complete the attached form and return it to Jody Fritz by Friday, November 29, 2019. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Jody at 519-578-3660 Ext. 2373.

Please support us in our effort to make a difference for our children. There is a need and it is now!

Sincerely:



Loretta Notten, Campaign Chairperson, WRCSF Board Member

A Few of Our Success Stories...

"On behalf of the staff and students of St Mary's High School, we sincerely thank you for the Awards of Distinction that were presented during our grad night. Your generous support of our students is very much appreciated. God bless you in your work for our schools."

Annabel MacDonald, Chaplain, St Mary's High School

"Thanks for your support with grants. The enclosed prayer booklet is a great example of excellent collaboration on a Faith formation project between our schools, funded by the Foundation."

Staff, Students & Families, Saint John Paul II Elementary School

"Dear WRCSF,

I would like to say how deeply I appreciate, and how grateful I am, for your contribution towards my post-Secondary education. I am currently enrolled in Honours Environment & Resource Studies at the University of Waterloo, where I just completed my first, happily successful, semester. I am very excited for semester two and coming closer to graduating when I plan on making a difference in the world."

Shelley Jan, Graduate Student

"On behalf of the students and staff involved in Powerlifting Clubs from St. David CSS, Resurrection CSS, St. Mary's HS and Monsignor Doyle CSS, I would like to thank the WRCSF for the equipment required to train and compete safely in our unique sport. In 2012, our clubs organized and proudly presented the CPF Canadian Powerlifting Championships. We could never have achieved this successful and produced this event without the financial resources of the WRCSF.

Our programs and the Foundation's support changes lives!"

John Dietrich, Principal/Coach, St Mary's High School & Les Fleiszig, Teacher/Coach, Resurrection CSS