Apply To Become The Student Trustee

What is a student trustee?
A student trustee is essentially the same as an adult trustee but with a few subtle differences. Both trustees sit on district boards of education to pass policy and budgets to improve the quality of education in schools. Student trustees are responsible for representing students; adult trustees represent all taxpayers. Student trustees are responsible for acting as a link between students and the board. Student trustees are also members of their Student Senate, or Student Advisory Council. Student trustees may suggest motions to advance issues and may cast a non-binding vote.

What role does the Student Trustee play?
Student representation form an important basis for board decisions that affect students. The student representative cannot vote (under subsection 55(3) of the Education Act) but participates at the board table and/or committee meetings. A Student Trustee is elected by student peers to represent the student voice.

Why Apply?
- What a great learning experience!
- Learn about political processes and the education system
- Gain valuable public speaking, research, leadership and evaluation skills
- Become the voice of students at important trustee meetings

What Are The Benefits?
- Mentored by a Sudbury Catholic District School Board trustee
- Opportunity to attend conferences and events
- $2500 honourarium
- Great experience for your resumé

How To Apply?
- Ensure you meet the criteria for becoming the student trustee
- Read the procedure guidelines - Student Trustee Representation on the Board
- Fill out and return the application form by **March 31st, 2017.** (Expression of Interest for Student Trustee Form). Interview date is April 11th.
- Provide an essay explaining your interest in becoming student trustees including a short description of yourself identifying the leadership positions you've held and why you should be considered for student trustee for Sudbury Catholic District School Board
- Have your principal and guardian complete the following forms and submit with your application.
  - Principal's Support of Nomination
  - Parent or Guardian Consent

All application packages must be submitted to the Catholic Education Centre, Attention: Student Trustee application by 4pm on March 31st, 2017. (165A D’Youville Street). Questions can be directed to your school principal or to the Sudbury Catholic District School Board office at (705) 673-5620 ext. 230.
Who can apply to be a student trustee?

To be eligible for the role of student trustee, you must:

- Be a full-time Sudbury Catholic District School Board student, with good academic standing and must be at least in the senior division (Grades 11 or 12) by September 1st of the subsequent school year
- Maintain regular school attendance
- Provide confirmation of support from the school principal
- Provide confirmation of support and acknowledgment of the student trustee’s responsibilities from the parent/guardian
- Provide an essay explaining your interest in becoming student trustees including a short description of yourself identifying the leadership positions you've held and why you should be considered for student trustee for Sudbury Catholic District School Board
- Be willing to commit the necessary time to attend meetings and perform the duties and responsibilities of a student trustee
- Demonstrate a history of leadership interest as exhibited through work on student council, social justice groups, parish youth organizations, or community youth organizations
Expression of Interest for Student Trustee

I, ______________________________ (Last, First Name) born __________________ (Month/Day/Year) wish to declare my interest in serving as Student Trustee for the Sudbury Catholic District School Board for the period from August 1, 2017 to July 31, 2018.

Personal Information

Last Name: ______________________________
First Name: ______________________________
Street Address: __________________________________________________________
City/Town: ______________________________
Postal Code: ______________________________
Phone Number: ____________________________
Email: ______________________________
School Currently Attending: ______________________________

Criteria Check List

☐ Full-time Sudbury Catholic student with a good academic standing and is in Grades 11 or 12 by September 1st of the subsequent school year.
☐ Written support of school principal
☐ Signed support from parent/guardian
☐ Essay for interest in role
☐ Be available for an interview April 11th. If you are unable to make this date please indicate __________________________________________
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Describe Your Interest in the Role of Student Trustee

Please attach in essay format, a short description of yourself identifying the leadership positions you've held and why you should be considered for student trustee for Sudbury Catholic District School Board.
PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT (FOR STUDENTS UNDER THE AGE OF 18)

This will confirm that ______________________________ (name of student) has my permission to run for the position of Student Trustee with the Sudbury Catholic District School Board for the term August 1st, 2017 - to July 31st 2018. I am aware that, if elected, he/she will serve as Student trustee elect from April 2017 to July 31st, then Student Trustee for the 2017 - 2018 academic year. He/She will be required to attend Board meetings which are held approximately every 3rd Tuesday commencing at 6:00 p.m. at the Sudbury Catholic District School Board Catholic Education Centre during this period of time.

☐ I am further aware of the time and travel commitments of this position and understand that my daughter/son is required to be a full-time student in the senior division (grade 11 or 12) by September 1st of the subsequent school year.

Student’s School: ______________________________

Name of Parent/Guardian : __________________________  Contact Number(s): __________

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Signature of Parent/Guardian: __________________________  Date: ______________
PRINCIPAL’S SUPPORT OF NOMINATION

This will confirm that I support the nomination of
___________________________ (Name of Student) of ________________________________
(Name of School) for the position of Student Trustee for the term August 1st, 2017 to July 31st, 2018
and confirm that he/she has met the eligibility requirements.

Criteria
- Full time Catholic student, good academic standing, in the senior division (grade 11 or 12) by September 1st of the subsequent school year
- Written support of school principal
- Signed support from parent/guardian

Please provide any additional comments as to why this applicant should be considered.

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Name of Principal: __________________________
Signature of Principal: __________________________
Date: __________________________