

PARENTS REACHING OUT GRANTS

SCHOOL GRANT PROPOSAL KIT

APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME OF SCHOOL

St. Mary's High School

NAME OF SCHOOL BOARD

Waterloo Catholic District School Board

NAME OF SCHOOL COUNCIL CHAIR

Linda Tester  
Kathy Gordier

NAME OF SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Theresa Horan

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PARTNERS (OPTIONAL)

Please provide the following information for each of your partner groups if you have any.

ORGANIZATION

Settlement and Education Partnership of Waterloo Region

CONTACT PERSON

Branka Djeric

ADDRESS

Welcome Centre -- St. Francis School

A. NAME OF PROJECT: Multicultural Celebration of Diversity

B. WHAT IS THE GOAL OF YOUR PROJECT?

- To foster a spirit of inclusivity for all
- To celebrate the diversity in the school community
- To express the community to ethnic cultural tradition in song, dance, art, artefacts and foods

C. WHY IS THIS PROJECT IMPORTANT?

Please describe who this project will benefit and how they will benefit.

St. Mary's High School is the ESL magnet school for the Waterloo Catholic District School Board.

Parents and the students will benefit by an opportunity to express pride in their cultural heritage and to show their traditions as well as to learn from the traditions of others. Parents will benefit by having an opportunity to participate in a positive event and by interacting with others.

D. THIS PROJECT WILL ENABLE THE SCHOOL TO:

(Check as many as apply and write a sentence to explain your choice)

Help parents support their childrens' learning

Contribute to creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for parents.

Parents will be involved in creating a positive multicultural experience by participating in and/or planning for the event

Bring in more parents from diverse communities.

Parents of ESL students will be encouraged to bring foods, music and ethnic items.

Improve communication with parents.

Parents will see that they and their children are valued in the school community and they will have more confidence to interact with other members of the school community and to become acquainted with other parents of their cultural backgrounds.

Other

E. HOW ARE YOU GOING TO MEET YOUR GOAL?

Please describe what you will do, when you will do it, and who will do it.

**What**

We will have an evening of celebration promoted in advance through flyers and invitations (some translated)

**When**

In the spring of 2007

**Who**

Students, teachers (staff) and parents will perform on stage as the key event and plan the foods and table displays. Foods will be served and tables with displays will represent diverse cultures before and after performances and during the break.

**F. HOW WILL YOU KNOW IF YOU MEET YOUR GOAL?**

Please describe how you will measure the success of your project.

The community will be strengthened through the involvement of the students and parents. We will measure the success through the reactions of the audience and the participants, the change in comfort level and the feelings of acceptance and welcome felt by the parents.

**G. WITH WHOM DID YOU CONSULT ABOUT THE GRANT PROGRAM?**

HOW MANY PROJECTS IS YOUR SCHOOL PROPOSING? One

IF YOU ARE SUBMITTING MORE THAN ONE PROPOSAL, PLEASE GIVE THIS PROPOSAL A NUMBER BASED ON PRIORITY OF FUNDING:

(write 1 if it is your first choice, 2 if it is your second choice, etc.)

## BUDGET INFORMATION

Please list all the items you expect to pay for and what you estimate each one will cost.

ITEM	AMOUNT
For example: 100 photocopies	\$10.00
<b>Food Preparation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Food vouchers to cover the cost of foods for low income parents (\$25 x 12)</li></ul>	\$300.00
<b>Publicity</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Flyers/invitations and translations</li></ul>	100.00
<b>Event</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prizes</li><li>• Decorations</li><li>• Coffee/drinks/sugar/milk/plates/napkins</li></ul>	150.00 50.00 75.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$675.00</b>