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## News Release

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# It's Back to School Time in Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools!! School starts Tuesday, September 8: Come experience the difference.....

**Waterloo Region, ON** – It's back-to-school time again and Waterloo Region's Catholic elementary and secondary schools are looking forward to welcoming back our students and staff on Tuesday, September 8, 2015.

When registering your child to attend a Catholic elementary school you must be prepared to provide proof of the child's date of birth and either the child's Catholic baptismal certificate or the Catholic baptismal certificate of at least one parent or legal guardian.

Registrations are also being accepted in Waterloo Region's five Catholic secondary schools. Under Ontario's "open access" policy secondary school registration is open to students of all faiths.

A special section has been established on the Waterloo Catholic District School Board's web site providing all the information needed to register for both elementary and high school. The web address is: [www.wcdsb.ca](http://www.wcdsb.ca). Click the "**Register for School**" link.

"With students from 114 different countries who speak more than 70 different languages at home, our schools truly welcome the world", said Director of Education Loretta Notten. "This rich cultural mosaic really helps us live out our vision of being the 'heart of the community' -- offering 'success for each' and a 'place for all'. We truly encourage you to come experience the difference in Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools".

Also of note, the Board's St. Louis Adult Learning & Continuing Education Centre will be hosting a special registration session for new Personal Support Worker students on Wednesday, August 26 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 309, 80 Young St., Kitchener – and registration for September credit courses is happening on Tuesday, September 1 in the St. Louis guidance department. Details at: <http://stlouis.wcdsb.ca/>

### Labour Update

The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA), the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association (OECTA) and the provincial government last night reached a tentative agreement on central terms of a collective agreement for both elementary and secondary teachers in Ontario's Catholic schools. While the details of the agreement remain confidential until ratified by all parties OECTA has announced a suspension of all work to rule activities during the ratification period.

The Waterloo Catholic District School Board, representing more than 96,000 Catholic school supporters, operates 52 schools and five adult education facilities serving more than 40,000 elementary, secondary and continuing education students in Waterloo Region – continuing a 179-year tradition of quality, inclusive, faith-based education. Follow us on Twitter: **@WCDSBNewsire - #WCDSBAwesome.**

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