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EcoSchools Program Shows Waterloo Region's Catholic Students It's Easy Being Green!! Eleven schools receive Gold, Silver & Bronze certifications

Waterloo Region, ON – Students and staff at eleven of Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools have gone green in a big way, achieving certification as "**Ontario EcoSchools**". The following schools have received the following certifications:

GOLD

Pope John Paul II CES (Kitchener)
St. Anne CES (Kitchener)
St. Clement CES (St. Clements)
St. Nicholas CES (Waterloo)

SILVER

Monsignor Doyle CSS (Cambridge)
St. Ambrose CES (Cambridge)
St. Benedict CSS (Cambridge)
St. Margaret of Scotland CES (Cambridge)

BRONZE

Holy Family CES (New Hamburg)
St. David CSS (Waterloo)
St. Peter CES (Cambridge)

This is the first year in the program for **Monsignor Doyle**, **St. Benedict**, **St. Clement**, **St. David** and **St. Peter**. Last year, only **St. Nicholas CES** achieved a GOLD certification.

Ontario EcoSchools is an environmental education program for grades 1-12 that helps students develop ecological literacy while engaging in practices to become environmentally responsible citizens. This is a perfect fit with the philosophy in Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools that sustainable development means "*meeting the needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.*"

The Waterloo Catholic District School Board, representing more than 100,000 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 176-year tradition of quality, inclusive, faith-based education. Follow us on Twitter: @WCDSBNewsWire.

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