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Questions & Answers Regarding the Provincial Labour Disruption's Impact on Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools

Waterloo Region, ON – The following questions & answers are provided to address public confusion around the status of Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools during the ongoing province-wide public school system labour dispute.

Q1: Are Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools open and running on a normal schedule during the ongoing province-wide public school system labour disruptions?

A1: Yes – all 51 of Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools are open and running on a normal schedule during the ongoing province-wide public school system labour disruptions?

Q2: Are any full day Kindergarten or before and/or after-school programs in Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools affected by the ongoing public school system labour disruptions?

A2: No – all full day Kindergarten and before and/or after-school programs in Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools are running on their normal schedules. Programs continue to be available to new registrations.

Q3: Are teachers in Waterloo Region's Catholic secondary schools participating in any 'work to rule' actions?

A3: Teachers in Waterloo Region's Catholic secondary schools are not involved in any form of organized job actions.

Q4: Are teachers in Waterloo Region's Catholic elementary and/or secondary schools in a legal strike position?

A4: No – teachers in Waterloo Region's Catholic elementary and secondary schools are not in a legal strike position.

Q5: Is the ongoing province-wide public school system labour disruption impacting any programs provided by Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools?

A5: Most programs and extracurricular activities provided by Waterloo Region's Catholic Schools are running as normal – with the exception of several high school sports. The Waterloo Region District School Board's (WRDSB) decision to cancel their winter sport season until December 31st 2012 impacts the WCDSB's alpine skiing, curling, hockey and wrestling teams. For the time being, these teams will continue to practice. Basketball, swimming and volleyball schedules remain unaffected.

The Waterloo Catholic District School Board, representing more than 100,000 Catholic school supporters, operates 51 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 on Twitter: @WCDSBNewsire - #WCDSBAwesome.

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