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## News Release

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### It's Time to Sign Up For School!!

**WATERLOO REGION'S CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WELCOME NEW KINDERGARTEN & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO A "QUALITY, INCLUSIVE, FAITH-BASED EDUCATION"**

**Waterloo Region, ON** – Kindergarten registration for the 2013-2014 school year kicks off Friday, February 1, 2013 in Waterloo Region's 46 Catholic elementary schools -- providing the Region's youngest citizens with a chance to benefit from a nationally respected 177 year tradition of education excellence.

**Children born in 2009** are eligible for Junior Kindergarten. **Children born in 2008** are eligible for Kindergarten. Registration runs until Thursday, February 28, 2013.

Parents are invited to contact their local Catholic school directly for individual registration dates and times.

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.

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 guardian.

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 Kindergarten and high school. The web address is: [www.wcdsb.ca](http://www.wcdsb.ca). Click the "**Register for School**" link.

The 2013-14 school year marks the fourth year for Ontario's **Full Day Early Learning Kindergarten Program**. A complete list of WCDSB schools providing the program is available via the "**Register for School**" link on the WCDSB web site.

Extended day programs (before school and/or after school) will be offered at all "early learning" schools where sufficient demand exists. The Board is currently providing extended day programs at the following schools:

#### Before and After School:

Canadian Martyrs, Kitchener  
Holy Family, New Hamburg  
Blessed John Paul II, Kitchener  
St Ambrose, Cambridge  
St Anne, Kitchener  
St Bernadette, Kitchener  
St Brigid, Ayr  
St John, Kitchener

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St Paul, Kitchener  
St Teresa of Avila, Elmira

**After School Only:**

John Sweeney, Kitchener  
St Teresa, Kitchener  
Sir Edgar Bauer, Waterloo

Please call your school directly for information about the extended day program.

*“Our school system is a community of communities in the truest sense, where each of our schools is by itself a vibrant, exciting, faith-filled part of a larger whole,” said Education Director Larry Clifford. “What do our school communities offer? We offer:*

***A safe, inclusive, socially and environmentally responsible learning environment;  
Highly-qualified, caring teachers and staff;  
Excellent academic results;  
Innovative, challenging, provincially-respected learning programs;  
A broad range of extracurricular opportunities;  
Leading edge information technology in every classroom.***

*Best of all, our whole educational package is based on the solid foundation of the Catholic faith. Be sure to visit your local Catholic school. Come and see the difference a quality, inclusive, faith-based education can make for your children and your family.”*

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 177-year tradition of quality, inclusive, faith-based education. Follow us on Twitter: **@WCDSBNewswire - #WCDSBAwesome.**

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