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Dear Parent/Guardian:

As you are aware, during the past five months an Accommodation Review Committee (ARC) has been studying the accommodation options respecting Corpus Christi and John XXIII Schools. On March 28, 2014, the ARC fulfilled its mandate with the submission of its Final Report and Recommendations to the Director of Education. The report contains the School Information Profiles and documentation related to the review process. The recommendation of the ARC is as follows:

To consolidate John XXIII and Corpus Christi schools into a dual-track Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8 school at the John XXIII School site.

At a Special Board Meeting on April 1, 2014, the Board of Trustees received the Director's Report and recommendations and we are pleased to inform you that they are consistent with and in support of those made by the Accommodation Review Committee.

As a next step in the accommodation review process, the Board will hold a Special Board Meeting on **Tuesday**, April 22, 2014 at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. This meeting will provide an opportunity for the Board to receive public input in the form of written submissions or delegations on the Accommodation Review Committee's Final Report and the Director's Report and recommendations. Both of these documents are available on the Board's website at www.npsc.ca under the Accommodations Review link.

This meeting for public input will be structured to encourage input and feedback. Guidelines for making a presentation at this Special Board Meeting are attached and are also available on the board's website. Members of the public wishing to present may also request these guidelines from the Director's Office at (705) 472-1201, ext. 2243. It is important to note that written submissions must be received by the Director of Education no later than Wednesday, April 16, 2014.

The Board of Trustees has also scheduled the Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, May 27, 2014 as the date on which it will make its decision regarding the accommodation for Corpus Christi and John XXIII Schools. To summarize, the time and locations of the above mentioned meetings are as follows:

Special Board Meeting for Public Input

April 22, 2014, 6:30 p.m. St. Joseph-Scollard Hall, Cafeteria 675 O'Brien Street

Board Meeting for Decision on Accommodation

May 27, 2014, 7:00 p.m. Board Office, 1000 High Street

Both the April 22, 2014 and May 27, 2014 meetings will be open to the public and will be publicized on the Board's website and in school letters. For further information, please contact our Board's Accommodation Review phone line at (705) 472-1201, ext. 2555 or by email: arc@npsc.ca.

Finally, I extend my sincerest appreciation and thanks to the members of the Accommodation Review Committee for their commitment, genuine care and dedicated work on behalf of their respective schools and on behalf of all Catholic schools in the districts of Nipissing and Parry Sound.

Sincerely,

Anna Marie Bitonti Director of Education

Attachment