

September 5, 2018

Dear Families,

We wish to take this opportunity to welcome our new and returning families. We hope that everyone is having a great start to the school year.

This time of year brings with it new beginnings, new routines and new opportunities for growth. As we kick off the 2018-19 school year, we are excited to share with you information regarding our Board's new [Multi-Year Strategic Plan](#).

Last year, we held Town Hall meetings throughout York Region. Over 2,000 responses were collected from students, families, staff and community members. Thank you to everyone who provided valuable insights and feedback that helped inform the new direction of our Board.

Based on your responses, the Board of Trustees developed a new Multi-Year Strategic Plan with four main priorities. The four priorities are:

- **Foster Well-Being and Mental Health**
  - We create safe, healthy and inclusive learning and working environments.
- **Champion Equity and Inclusivity**
  - We develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes to remove barriers in support of all learners.
- **Build Collaborative Relationships**
  - We build trusting relationships based on respectful and responsive communication.
- **Empower Ethical Leadership**
  - We lead ethically by focusing on students and upholding our values.

These four priorities are designed to help all of our students succeed this upcoming year and enrich their learning experiences.

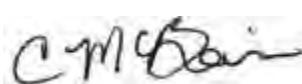
As parents, and our most important partners in education, we hope that you will join us in our work to support all students in reaching their full potential.

All the best for 2018-19!

Sincerely,



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Director of Education



Corrie McBain  
Chair of the Board