

# **1 Educational Commitment**

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## **1.0 Mission Statement / Distinctiveness / Vision and Virtues**

### **Policy**

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#### **Mission Statement**

**Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools: a welcoming community where we nurture faith, encourage excellence in learning and inspire students to serve others, making the world a better place.**

***We love because He first loved us.***  
**1 John 4:19**

#### **Distinctiveness**

Catholic schools are distinctive because they draw their inspiration and strength from the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The educational commitment of the Board of Education is based on the following principles which distinguish its schools:

1. Catholic schools are communities of faith, hope, love, and service.
2. Catholic schools inspire hope by nurturing the growth, and by affirming the dignity of each person.
3. Catholic schools celebrate teaching and learning enlightened by Christian wisdom and the truth that our faith reveals.
4. Catholic schools assist students to understand relationships in light of the teachings of the Church.
5. Catholic schools foster the ongoing spiritual growth of staff members.

#### **Vision**

Rooted in faith, growing in knowledge, reaching out to transform the world

#### **Virtues**

Faith, hope, and love through which respect, community, reconciliation, justice, and service flourish.

## Rooted in Faith

	<b>Key Messages</b>
I	We see God in all things
II	A Catholic school is a community of faith, hope and love
III	Our faith is living and growing

## Growing in Knowledge

	<b>Key Messages</b>
IV	We strive to have each student attain academic excellence, based on each one's God-given talents
V	Students discover how their faith is part of learning and of life
VI	Our young people grow in freedom and responsibility

## Reaching Out...To Transform the World

VII	All are welcome, especially those most in need
VIII	We reach out to transform the world

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