

## POLICY 1

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### **DISTRICT MISSION, VISION AND CORE VALUE STATEMENTS**

These statements speak to who we are and what we stand for as a school district and represent the philosophical foundation that guides Board and Administrative decision making.

#### **Mission**

Providing a student-centred, innovative Catholic education for our communities.

#### **Vision**

Our students and staff achieve personal excellence, are engaged in their communities, and live their Catholic faith.

#### **Core Value Statements**

All members of our community are sacred and must be treated with dignity and respect. We value excellence in Catholic Education, guided by a shared responsibility and the moral authority of the Catholic Church.

Students are empowered to reach their full potential and to reflect the image and likeness of God.

#### **We Value:**

**A Catholic Education & The Permeation of Catholic Faith** – Our Catholic Schools provide and support the development, permeation and modeling of our faith.

**A Safe, Secure Learning Environment** – Our Catholic Schools are communities where we love one another as God loves us

**Community Involvement** – Our Catholic Schools are involved and an integral part of our community.

**The Building of Relationships** – Our Catholic Schools promote shared responsibility for stewardship of resources, transparency and the success of students in our care

**Equitable Opportunities** – Our Catholic Schools develop students who reflect the image of God and are successful contributors to a global society.

**Innovation** – Our Catholic Schools promote creativity and innovation.

**We are Proud to uphold Constitutional Rights that allow us to Maintain our Denominational Character**

Nothing in this policy is to be interpreted so as to limit or be a waiver of the Grande Prairie Roman Catholic Separate School District's rights and powers pursuant the *Constitution Act, 1867* and the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms* to maintain the denominational character of Catholic schools. If any of the provisions in this policy conflict with the [name of school board] Board's rights and powers pursuant to the *Constitution Act, 1867* and the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms* to maintain the denominational character of Catholic schools, the Grande Prairie Roman Catholic Separate School District's rights and powers pursuant the *Constitution Act, 1867* and the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms* to maintain the denominational character of Catholic schools will govern.

**Legal Name**

The legal name of the school district is the Grande Prairie & District Roman Catholic Separate School District No. 28. It is further recognized the practicality of being recognized by a less cumbersome title and therefore authorizes the vernacular use of the name Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools in lieu of the full legal name of the District.

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Reference: Section 60, School Act

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