



**ST. CHRISTOPHER CATHOLIC SCHOOL**



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TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS:

**Re: EQAO (Education, Quality, Accountability Office) Provincial Assessment**

The following tables provide a summary of the EQAO student achievement results, for the Province of Ontario, the Halton Catholic District School Board and our school. The provincial assessment took place in May 2009. Students were assessed in the areas of reading, writing and mathematics based on expectations contained in the Ontario Curriculum Grades 1-8. The assessments were graded on a four level system, with one being the lowest and four the highest. The Ministry of Education has defined level 3 as the provincial standard.

**PURPOSE of EQAO ASSESSMENT**

- The assessment of all students in grades 3 & 6 in Ontario provides information to educators, students, parents and the general public on the academic achievement of students in the areas of reading, writing and mathematics.
- The assessment provides additional input for improving student learning and supporting school improvement planning.

**INTERPRETATION of RESULTS**

The results below are released using EQAO (All Students), which expresses the number of students achieving at the provincial standard (levels three and four) as a percentage of all of the students in the grade, including students who were exempted and those who took part in the assessment but did not produce enough work to be scored. This is EQAO's primary method of reporting because publicly funded schools are accountable for the achievement and progress of all students. Schools and school boards are required to use this method to ensure consistency of reporting across the province.

**Percentage of all students at or above the provincial standard (levels 3 and 4)**

<b>Grade Three</b>	<b>READING %</b>	<b>WRITING %</b>	<b>MATHEMATICS %</b>
<b>Province</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>Board</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>84</b>
<b>St. Christopher School</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>89</b>
<b>Grade Six</b>	<b>READING %</b>	<b>WRITING %</b>	<b>MATHEMATICS %</b>
<b>Province</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>Board</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>73</b>
<b>St. Christopher School</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>74</b>

Source: EQAO Website September 28, 2009

Please note that, over the next few months, the staff and Catholic School Council will be revising the School Improvement Plan (SIP), in conjunction with the Board Improvement Plan (BIP) which is designed to meet the needs of our students. Our school data will be aligned with the School Improvement Plan (SIP). Our School Improvement Plan (SIP) will be posted on our school website.

Our school and Board are committed to assisting our students to develop to their full potential. We look forward to continuing to work with you on our mission of Catholic education.

Yours sincerely,

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Principal

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Vice-Principal