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Satisfaction Rates Continue to Climb

Parent satisfaction with leadership in the Edmonton Catholic School District is at its highest rate since the 1995/1996 school year and the highest rate among staff since the creation of the staff survey in the 2002/2003 school year.

In the 2007/2008 school year, 94.5% of parents, and 96.7% of staff were satisfied with the leadership of the Superintendent. Similarly, 95.2% of parents and 94.1% of staff were satisfied with the leadership of the Board of Trustees in the 2007/2008 school year.

In addition, two-thirds of the 2007/2008 themes were at the highest levels in the last five years. Here are some areas of growth in the 2007/2008 Satisfaction Survey:

- **School Safety:** 92.5% of students (an increase of 1.9%) felt safe in their school,
- **Overall Satisfaction:** 92.9% of students (an increase of 2.6%) and 93.6% of parents (an increase of 0.3%) were satisfied with Edmonton Catholic Schools,
- **Information Technology:** 87.4% of students (an increase of 2.7%) were satisfied with information technology in their school.

‘These survey findings are extremely important because they highlight what we are doing to ensure students succeed in the classroom and also help us determine the areas we need to focus on in the future,’ said Cindy Olsen, Chairperson of the Board of Trustees.

The 2007/2008 survey also indicates that close to 97% of staff believe that the District is a good place to work and over 93% of parents are satisfied with the quality of education their child is receiving at Edmonton Catholic Schools. In addition, students are happy with Edmonton Catholic Schools:

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- Over 97% of Grades 4 to 6 students were happy with their school,
- Over 91% of Grades 7 to 9 students were satisfied with the quality of education they receive, and
- Almost 90% of Grades 10 to 12 students were satisfied with the quality of education they receive.

‘The Satisfaction Survey findings are invaluable,’ said Joan Carr, Superintendent of Edmonton Catholic Schools. ‘These findings influence our decisions at the District level so we will always provide a quality Catholic education,’ Carr went on to say.