



In addition to carrying out those duties prescribed under section 20 of the *School Act* a principal in the Edmonton Catholic Separate School District No. 7 must demonstrate through daily actions that he/she works in a collegial manner and exemplifies the qualities that are necessary to fulfill the following expectations:

- religious leadership,
- instructional leadership, and
- managerial leadership

1. Religious Leadership

Based on Gospel values, and the teachings of Jesus Christ, religious leadership is demonstrated by modeling and setting direction in a Christ-centered culture through prayer, celebrations, symbols, social justice and art.

As the religious leader of the school, the principal

- a. strives to permeate all aspects of life in the school with the religious dimension in order that the growth of the school as a Catholic community be fostered;
- b. supervises the religious education courses offered at all grade levels; and
- c. encourages teachers to integrate Catholic teaching into the curriculum both in the content and method of instruction.

2. Instructional Leadership

Instructional leadership is the art of creating an environment that supports the pursuit of excellence in the teaching-learning process by encouraging best classroom practices. Instructional leadership is facilitated through the supervision, evaluation and professional growth of all staff members.

As the instructional leader, the principal

- a. provides leadership in implementing goals and objectives of the Edmonton Catholic Separate School District No. 7 and Alberta Education to meet the needs of the community;
- b. coordinates, facilitates, oversees, and evaluates the instructional program within the school; and
- c. supervises and evaluates all staff members in the school and encourages their professional development.

3. Managerial Leadership

Managerial leadership is a holistic approach that facilitates the smooth operation of a positive learning environment through the effective and efficient stewardship of resources within the parameters established by the district and Alberta Education, and in the spirit of our Catholic faith.

Role of the Principal




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Administrative Regulation 201.1

As an a managerial leader, the principal

- a. performs those duties required by law, by board policy, by administrative policies and regulations, and as assigned by the superintendent;
- b. organizes staff and delegates duties and responsibilities, following appropriate consultation, with the aim to achieve the best possible education for students; and
- c. guides the school towards achieving its goals through good decision planning, open communication, and effective decision-making.

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