

Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools

Board Policy 4: Appendix A

BOARD MEMBER CODE OF ETHICS

As an elected member of the Board of Trustees of the Christ the Teacher Catholic School Division:

1. I will be motivated by an earnest desire to serve my school division to the best of my ability to meet the educational needs of all students.
2. I will recognize that the expenditure of school funds is a public trust, and I will endeavour to see that the funds are expended efficiently, and in the best interests of the students.
3. I will not use my position for personal advantage or to the advantage of any other individual apart from the total interest of the school division, and I will resist outside pressure to so use my position.
4. I will act with integrity and do everything possible to maintain the dignity of the office of a school Board member.
5. I will carry out my duties objectively, and I will consider all information and opinions presented to the board in making my decisions, without bias.
6. I will work with other Board members in a spirit of respect, openness, cooperation, and proper decorum, despite differences of opinion that arise during a debate.
7. I will accept that authority rests with the Board and that I have no individual authority outside the Board, and I will abide by the majority decisions of the Board once they are made.
8. I will express any contrary opinion respectfully and honestly, and without making disparaging remarks, in or outside Board meetings, about other Board members or their opinions.
9. I will communicate, and conduct my relationship with staff, the community, other school boards and the media in a manner that focuses on facts.
10. I will not divulge confidential information, which I obtain in my capacity as a Board member, and I will not discuss those matters outside the meetings of the Board or the Board's committees.
11. I will endeavour to participate in trustee development opportunities to enhance my ability to fulfil my obligations as a Board member.

12. I will not conduct myself in a manner which is intended to be to the detriment of another school board.
13. I will support the value of publicly funded Catholic education, and will endeavour to participate, and encourage my board to participate, in activities that support or promote Catholic education in Saskatchewan.