



Blessing and Rededication Ceremonies

Blessing and Rededication Ceremonies shall be held as soon as possible after the addition has been occupied and/or a renovation has been completed.

The Principal shall contact the Bishop of Hamilton to determine the date of the ceremony, based on the availability of the Bishop or designate to preside over the ceremony.

Once the Bishop or designate has confirmed attendance, the Principal shall establish a committee to plan the ceremony. The Principal shall act as the Chair of the Committee. The committee shall include representatives from the school community.

Trustees, senior staff, and school administrators. (Appendix A)

The committee shall invite the following dignitaries for the ceremony: the Minister of Education or designate, the local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP), the Mayor, and Municipal Councillors.

Strategic Communications will invite the media and issue a news release to the community.

A local trustee of the Board shall act as Events Host for the occasion.

The Chair of the Board or designate, the Director of Education or designate, and the Principal of the school shall be invited to address the gathering.

HCDSB will bear the cost of the ceremony. The cost of the ceremony shall be included in the annual budget.

The final accounting of expenditures shall be submitted to Business Services.

APPROVED BY:

AUTHORIZED BY:

Chair of the Board

