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## **Sacred Heart Catholic School in Kirkland Lake welcomes new principal for September 2007**

The Northeastern Catholic District School Board is delighted to announce that Matthew Turner has been appointed to the position of Principal at Sacred Heart Catholic School, Kirkland Lake, for September 2007.

Mr. Turner has worked in the education sector for over six years as a teacher, Department Head, Cooperative Education Teacher, Guidance Counselor, and Acting Administrator. He received a Specialized Honours Bachelor of Environmental Studies degree from York University and continued to further his qualifications at Lakehead University completing his Bachelor of Education degree, Guidance Specialist, Cooperative Education Specialist and Principal qualifications.



Matthew Turner's personal Catholic Education Philosophy states, "As a Catholic educator, I believe firmly that Catholic educational leaders are called by God to fulfill their potential by creating Christ-centred learning communities. Central to this philosophy is that all learners are gifted through God to learn. Therefore, Catholic learning communities must share in this commitment to reach all learners through a commitment to live and teach according to Gospel values. Achieving this integrity and accountability is a core foundation of any learning community where Jesus Christ is the ultimate role model for teaching. Another tenant of this philosophy is the hope that Christ's compassion and stewardship may manifest itself in the members of the Catholic learning community. Members must practice kindness, generosity and above all, forgiveness in their interactions with others as well as caring for all God's creation. Realizing this potential can only be accomplished through leadership nourished by the Word, with respect for tradition and for the inherent belief that Christ has called to us all to reach our highest human potential."

"We are absolutely thrilled to have Matt join our board as a Principal leader," stated Director of Education, Paul Toffanello. "Matt will be a welcome addition to the strong team of teachers and support staff at Sacred Heart Catholic School, and we have full confidence that he will lead our students to greater levels of achievement and success, while guiding them. His personal faith commitment will be a wonderful example to the Catholic community, and we are excited that he will continue to offer the excellent leadership that Sacred Heart Catholic School has provided in the past."

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