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# **NEWS RELEASE**

## NCDSB Student Trustee Believes in Catholic Education Timmins, January 23, 2013:

Julie David, the 2012-2013 NCDSB Student Board of Trustee, is a grade 12 student at O'Gorman High School. See the attached interview that was conducted by Andrew Marks, NCDSB Community Relations Officer with Julie David.

#### Why did you want to become the NCDSB Student Trustee Representative?

I saw running for Student Trustee as a great opportunity to further involve myself with the school community. I love our school, our staff, and our students. I believe that we have one of the best schools in Ontario. I saw this position as an opportunity to give back. When I ran for the position of Student Representative my goal was to present the Board with a student voice about the monthly events at our school.

#### What do you like the most about O'Gorman High School?

What is not to like about O'Gorman High School? There are so many things to be grateful for. One of my favorite aspects is the family/community environment unique to O'Gorman. I am thankful for the opportunity to be able to study at a school with such strong academic and extracurricular programs. The teachers are exceptionally passionate about their classes. O'Gorman is a place that encourages growth, well-roundedness, and leadership. It is helpful to know that when you go to school, you are going to a place where everyone is rooting for your success.

#### Why is Catholic Education important?

Catholic education teaches us prime values such as hope, respect, spirit, and good-character. Not only do these values teach our students to better succeed academically, but also socially. The values learned through Catholic education can be applied to all other aspects of one's life. Catholic values will stick with students throughout their high school careers and long after. They will be carried on to post-secondary, the workforce, and future relationships. Most importantly, our similar beliefs strengthen our sense of community.

#### What is your favourite hobby?

My favourite hobby is dancing ballet. I have been dancing from very early on. Ever since I was a toddler I have been dancing and through the years I have developed a passion for it. I also really enjoy theatre and singing. I was thrilled last year when the school adopted its very first Glee club and was eager to join.

#### What are your future educational plans?

My future plans are to attend a post-secondary institution. I am unsure of precisely where I see myself later in life. I plan on applying for a Bachelor of Arts and Science. Before I begin working it is my ambition to travel and volunteer abroad.



Julie David concluded the interview with the following comments, "Thank you to all of students for electing me and supporting me in my position this year. I encourage you to approach me with any positive feedback, comments, or concerns regarding any school related activities. I wish you all the best in the year to come! We have an exciting year ahead of us!"

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