

**FAITH REFERENCE PORTFOLIO
FOR
NEW TEACHERS**

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1. Applicants for teaching positions with the Northeastern Catholic District School Board shall submit the following pieces of information as mandatory prerequisites for hiring:
 - 1.2 Credit course in Religious Education

OR

Certificate in Religious Education or equivalency
(Courses in Theology or Religious Studies)
 - 1.2 Faith Reference Form with its reflection component
2. As well, it is highly recommended that the applicants obtain a letter of reference regarding Catholic practice signed by:
 - 2.1 Their parish priest or a member of the pastoral team designated by the parish priest.

OR
 - 2.2 Another priest with whom the candidate has been associated over a period of time.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

PERSONAL ASSESSMENT

1. I promise to the Northeastern Catholic District School Board that I will strive to be a person of good moral character consistent with the life of the Catholic Church.

As a member of the Catholic teaching community, I will strive:

- 1.1 to provide religious instruction in the Catholic Faith using the curriculum approved by the School Board and as requested by the School Principal;
 - 1.2 to seek to infuse gospel values across the curriculum;
 - 1.3 to influence and strengthen the spiritual growth of the students and act as an appropriate role model within the Catholic school community.
2. My contribution and participation in the life of the broader community and the Catholic parish includes... (Your reflection here should include service to the common good of society as well as to your faith community.)

3. This involvement has contributed to my growth in faith by...

4. I see myself continuing to grow in my faith life as a Catholic Teacher through....

Candidate's signature

Date

WITNESS

1. The witness is not to be seen as another pastoral reference but rather as a witnessing signatory. Simply, they testify to the identity of the teacher candidate signing this document and to the fact that they witnessed the teacher candidate sign this document in their presence.
2. Applicants must be known to the witness for at least two (2) years within the last five (5) years. The one exception to this two year requirement would be the candidate's faculty of education religion instructor.

Name / Position: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

I have known the applicant for _____ year(s).

Signature

Date

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REFLECTION PAPER

(Please respond to the following statement in 200-250 words, double spaced.)

IT IS MY DESIRE TO TEACH IN A CATHOLIC SCHOOL BECAUSE...

NORTHEASTERN CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

As a condition of employment, a teacher must agree, in writing, to complete the requirements for Religious Education, Part 1, within three (3) years of their date of hiring.

DATE OF HIRING: _____

I, _____ understand and accept this condition of employment.

Teacher's name - Print

Dated at _____, Ontario, this _____ day of _____ 200____.

Teacher

Director of Education