



# Policy: Guide Dogs/Service Dogs/ Service Animals

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## 1.0 Policy Statement

- 1.1 The Superior North Catholic District School Board values:
  - 1.1.1 the presence of God in each person;
  - 1.1.2 an inclusive Catholic culture that instills compassion;
  - 1.1.3 hope, integrity, faithfulness, respect and self-worth;
  - 1.1.4 Catholic-based spiritual development; and student success.
- 1.2 The Superior North Catholic District School Board is committed to the learning of all students and provides a range of differentiated placements, programs and interventions to support student success.
- 1.3 It is the policy of the Superior North Catholic District School Board, in accordance with its obligations pursuant to the Ontario *Human Rights Code*, to provide individualized accommodation to students with disabilities to enable them to have meaningful access to education services.

## References

- Human Rights Code, RSO 1990, c.H.19
- Education Act, RSO 1990, c.E2, s. 170(1), s.265(1); O. Reg. 298, s.11

- PPM 163 School Board Policies on Service Animals
- J.F. v. Waterloo Catholic District School Board, 2017 HRTO 1121 (CanLII)
- Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005, SO 2005, c.11
- Blind Persons' Rights Act, RSO 1990, c.B7,
- Dog Owners' Liability Act, RSO 1990, c.D16
- Health Protection and Promotion Act, RSO 1990, c.H7
- Food Safety and Quality Act 2001, SO 2001, c.20

## Approval and Review Dates

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