

NOTICE
Ottawa Catholic School Board
Keep The Promise April 2015 Regional Student Summit

Last fall (2014), four of our schools participated in a national summit sponsored by the Canadian Teachers Federation and Keep the Promise (KTP). KTP is a movement of children, for children, to remind politicians that in 1989 they promised, in an all-party resolution, that they would end child poverty in Canada by the year 2000. The four schools were: St. Leonard, Holy Trinity, Sacred Heart, and Mother Teresa.

On April 28th, we will be hosting a one day OCSB Summit for approximately 12 schools. This is an excellent initiative to reinforce student involvement in project-based learning rooted in real life situations, with rich opportunities for cross-curricular learning (Religion, Language Arts, Social Studies, Mathematics-Data Management). It is also an opportunity to explore Catholic social teaching and social justice themes.

The goal of the OCSB Summit is to engage approximately 50 students from various schools across our Board to discuss anti-poverty issues that are important to them, and to showcase their ideas for addressing these issues, especially at the local level. Schools with active social justice initiatives embedded in curriculum expectations will find this day enriching.

We invite expressions of interest regarding your school's participation in this day. Schools will be selected to ensure representation from different demographics and locations across our district. See details below:

Target audience: Grade 5 to Grade 8 students (elementary schools may wish to include Grade 5 students for continuity next year)

Number of students: Four per school

Staff: One per school (supply coverage will be provided)

Transportation: Shared busing will be arranged

Date, time, location: April 28, 2015, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the CEC Boardroom.

Please reply to JoAnne Andrechek by **March 27th**, if interested, with school and staff member's name. We will solicit your student names after the selection of schools is determined.

Thanks Denise