



# Huron-Superior Catholic

## DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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| <b>POLICY TITLE:</b> | <b>STUDENT USE OF GUIDE DOGS AND SERVICE ANIMALS</b> | <b>Adopted:</b> | <b>December 11, 2019</b> |
|                      |  | <b>Amended:</b> | <b>June 12, 2024</b>     |

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### **POLICY**

The Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board is called and committed to develop the full potential of each student. We are committed to the learning of all students and provide a range of differentiated placements, programs and interventions to support student success. It is the policy of the Huron-Superior 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.

In circumstances where a parent or adult student requests to have the student's Guide Dog, Service Dog or Service Animal accompany the student while attending school or a school-related event, each such request shall be reviewed individually by the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board, considering the student's dignity, integration, independence and disability-related learning needs and the accommodations available to enable meaningful access to education.

The process of accommodation shall also consider the competing human rights of other students and of staff; the impact of the Guide Dog, Service Dog or Service Animal on the learning environment; and the health and safety of all individuals who are or might be in the school, on school grounds or at a school-related event.

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| <b><u>ADOPTED</u></b> | Regular Meeting of the Board – December 11, 2019<br>Motion B- 422 |
| <b><u>AMENDED</u></b> | Regular Meeting of the Board – June 12, 2024<br>Motion B-895      |

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| <b><u>DISTRIBUTION</u></b> |
| i) Trustees                |
| ii) Administration         |
| iii) Principals            |

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