



## **Board Appoints Student Trustees for 2023-2024 Term**

The St. Clair Catholic District School Board has appointed two students to the position of Student Trustee for the 2023-2024 term. They are:

- Lily Cole – currently a Grade 11 student at St. Patrick’s Catholic High School, Sarnia
- Georgia Pitblado – currently a Grade 10 student at Ursuline College Chatham Catholic Secondary School

### **Lily Cole**



Lillian (Lily) Cole is a kind and eager Grade 11 student at St. Patrick’s High School. Lily is active in her faith, which can be seen through her commitment to her home parish of St. Michael, Bright’s Grove and her participation in various school religious ceremonies throughout the year. Currently, at St. Patrick’s, she serves as the Minister of Faith on the Student Council and is always willing to help whenever she can. Lily enjoys drawing, reading, wood carving, Irish dancing, and looks for new learning opportunities as they arise.

Throughout high school, Lily has achieved more than academic success. She has grown immensely by being a member of the Link Crew, the Social Justice Committee, the Curling team, the Student Council, The Almost Corner Store, and the planning committees for Irish Miracle and Cyclone Aid. Lily has also discovered a love for Biology and Psychology through her high school courses. Because of this, Lily would like to further her studies through post-secondary education in the field of Behaviour, Cognition and Neuroscience.

As Lily enters Grade 12 in the upcoming 2023-2024 school year, she is excited to complete her academic journey at St. Patrick’s Catholic High School and is looking forward to taking on the role of Student Trustee, along with any other challenges and opportunities that may come her way.

### **Georgia Pitblado**

Georgia Pitblado is a current Grade 10 student at Ursuline College and has been selected to serve as Student Trustee for the 2023-2024 school year.

In addition to maintaining high academic standards, Georgia is a highly involved Lancer. She belongs to school clubs and teams including the NTS Drama Festival and UCC Junior Girls basketball.



Georgia has also participated in academically enriching opportunities, such as the Waterloo math contests and our Hackergals program. As well, Georgia serves our school and local community through the We Scare Hunger food drive and is a leader on our LancerLink crew.

Outside of UCC, Georgia demonstrates an outstanding work ethic by working to achieve Grade 8 piano, as a dedicated employee at three part-time jobs, and working towards her black belt in Karate.

Georgia has valuable insight into our school through her faith, academics, athletics, and the arts. As such, Georgia is an excellent representative of UCC's voice.

She is a leader in our school community, exemplifying the Catholic Graduate expectations.

The Board of Trustees affirmed the elections of both Lily Cole and Georgia Pitblado at the Tuesday, March 28, 2023 Regular Board Meeting and appointed them to serve as student trustees for the next term, which runs from August 2023 to June 2024.

"On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I would like to welcome these outstanding secondary school leaders and welcome them to the Board table for the 2023-2024 term," says John Van Heck, Chair of the Board. "I would also like to thank our current student trustees, Samantha Lozon and Annabelle Rayson, for their fine reports to the Board throughout 2022-2023. We wish them God's blessings for much continued success in all their future endeavours."

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## **\$8.2 Million in Capital Projects Identified for 2022-2023**

Each year, the St. Clair Catholic District School Board identifies priority capital projects, to upgrade, renew and maintain school facilities. The Ministry of Education provides annual funding allocations to support these expenditures.

School Condition Improvement (SCI) is a capital renewal program, which allows school boards to revitalize and renew aged building components that have exceeded, or will exceed, their life cycle.

The Ministry provides an additional School Renewal Allocation (SRA), which allows school boards to revitalize and renew aged building systems and components, including roof replacements, HVAC systems, building automation systems, air-conditioning systems and maintenance requirements, such as painting, roof patching and pavement/parking lot repairs.

The Board has budgeted \$6,956,336 under SCI and SRA allocations for the following projects. The Board of Trustees has approved these capital expenditures, as required due to the value of the projects, under *Sec. B. Policy – Purchasing*.

### **Renovations & Alterations**

- Catholic Education Centre – Board Room Acoustic Correction
- St. Joseph, Corunna – Universal Washroom Upgrade
- Ursuline College – Gymnasium Renovations

### **Mechanical & Electrical Projects**

- Good Shepherd, Holy Family, St. Anne, Blenheim, Holy Rosary, St. Joseph, Tilbury and St. Anne, Sarnia – PA System Upgrades
- St. John Fisher – Roof Top Unit Replacement
- St. John Fisher – Structural Steel Reinforcement

### **Building Envelope Projects**

- St. Joseph, Tilbury – Window Replacement and Gymnasium Envelope Upgrade
- St. Philip – Partial Roof Renovations (1973, 1999 and 2006 Additions)

### **Site Improvements**

- Christ the King – School Yard Improvements
- St. Anne, Blenheim – Parking Lot Upgrade

An additional \$1.29 million in capital projects has been identified and will be allocated to the projects listed below. Capital spending for these projects falls beneath the requirements of *Sec. B Policy – Purchasing* and does not require approval of the Board of Trustees.

### **Renovations & Alterations**

Christ the King – Staff Room Renovation  
St. Angela Merici – Community Room Alterations  
St. Michael, Bright’s Grove – Child Care Upgrades

### **Mechanical & Electrical Projects**

Catholic Education Centre – Elevator Replacement  
Christ the King – Exterior Lighting  
St. Anne, Sarnia – Sink Replacement  
Good Shepherd – Domestic Hot Water Boiler Replacement  
St. Anne, Blenheim – Fire Alarm Panel Replacement  
St. Michael, Ridgetown – Roof Top Unit Replacement

### **Building Envelope Projects**

Gregory Hogan – Partial Roof Replacement (2013 Addition)  
St. Anne, Blenheim – Exterior Brick Repair

### **Site Improvements**

St. Michael, Ridgetown – School Yard Improvements  
St. Philip – School Yard Improvements  
Ursuline College – LED Road Sign

### **Temporary Accommodations**

Relocate Portables from Sacred Heart, Port Lambton

All work is expected to be completed throughout the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year.

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