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ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC RELEASES ANNUAL EQAO RESULTS

The Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) has released the school, board and provincial results for the 2012-2013 Grade 3 and 6 assessments for reading, writing and mathematics.

When the assessments were conducted in May 2013, 99% of students participated in the primary division; and in the junior division, 100% of students participated in the reading and writing assessments and 99% participated in the math assessments.

“We have been making steady progress over the last three years in our primary reading results,” says Deb Crawford, Superintendent of Education. “We are very proud of the solid gains that have been made over the past five years in junior reading and writing, putting us above the provincial average.”

“As is the case across much of the province, we have work to do in mathematics,” says Mrs. Crawford, Superintendent of Education. “We have lost some of the strong gains made just last year and we are now reviewing practices to determine the reasons for that. In addition, our Board is collaborating with curriculum teams from across the province in the development of math strategies to address this important area of concern.”

Additional math supports have been made available from the Ministry of Education, which will focus on teacher professional development and teacher practice in the classroom with students. The Board’s Catholic curriculum team will also work to develop math improvement strategies, which will form the basis of the Board improvement plan.

The EQAO report summarizes achievement in four levels:

- Level 4 – exceeding the provincial standard
- Level 3 – meeting the provincial standard
- Level 2 – approaching the provincial standard
- Level 1 – performing significantly below the provincial standard

The tables below summarize the St. Clair and provincial results.

Grade 3	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
	Prov.	St. Clair	Prov.	St. Clair	Prov.	St. Clair
Percentage of students who exceeded or met the provincial standard (Levels 4 and 3)	68	67	77	75	67	62

Grade 6	Reading		Writing		Mathematics	
	Prov.	St. Clair	Prov.	St. Clair	Prov.	St. Clair
Percentage of students who exceeded or met the provincial standard (Levels 4 and 3)	77	78	76	78	57	53