



Pastoral Reference Document for Early Childhood Educator

Applicants for Early Childhood Educator positions with Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board are asked to meet the following requirements:

Submission of a Roman Catholic Pastoral Reference

OR

Provide a Roman Catholic Baptismal Certificate and a Personal Letter of Faith

PASTORAL REFERENCE FORM

1. Roman Catholic Priest Reference

Name of ECE Applicant: _____

Address of Applicant: _____

I am the applicant's pastor Yes No

If you are not the applicant's pastor would you please, if appropriate, comment on the reason(s) the teacher candidate requested a reference from you.

2. Priest's Knowledge of the Candidate

Check one or more of the following:

I have:

- Ongoing personal knowledge of the individual as a member of the parish
- Personal knowledge of the individual in the past
- Knowledge of the candidate's family
- Knowledge through a personal interview
- Other:

3. Reference

Please answer or comment on the following:

(a) The candidate participates in the sacramental life of the Church.

- Regularly
- Occasionally
- Infrequently
- Not known to me

(b) The candidate is involved in service: in the Church, in the broader community (e.g. Lector, Youth Group, Out of the Cold, Food Bank).

- Yes
- No
- Not known to me

(c) The candidate comes from a Catholic background.

- Yes
- No
- Not known to me

(d) In my opinion, the candidate possesses attitudes and dispositions which will serve Catholic Education positively.

- Yes
- No
- Not known to me

(e) The candidate appears to have an appreciation of teaching in a Catholic school as a vocation and ministry, not merely a job.

- Yes
- No
- Not known to me

4. Further Comments if Desired

Priest: _____
(Please Print)

Parish: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: Please return this form to the applicant for inclusion in their application package.

Thank you for completing the Pastoral Reference Form.