

## **NIAGARA CATHOLIC HAS REACHED A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT WITH OECTA NIAGARA ELEMENTARY UNIT**

The Niagara Catholic District School Board is pleased to announce that after extensive local bargaining, at 3.00 a.m. on Sunday, March 26, 2017 a tentative local collective agreement was reached between the Niagara Catholic District School Board and the OECTA Niagara Elementary Unit.

The terms of the tentative local collective agreement will remain confidential until both parties hold a ratification vote.

With the announcement of a tentative local collective agreement, programs, supports and services provided by our excellent teaching staff will resume on Monday, March 27, 2017.

The Board extends appreciation to the members of both negotiating teams for their efforts throughout the extensive and challenging negotiation process. The Board is pleased that we have reached a tentative collective agreement that balances the interest of students, teachers and the Board.

We look forward to having elementary teachers and all students return to classes on Monday, March 27, 2017.

***Niagara Catholic provides excellence in Catholic education to approximately 24,000 students throughout Niagara; from Early Learning Kindergarten through graduation.***

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