

Christ the Redeemer Catholic Schools Receives Unprecedented Number of *Minister's Education Leadership Recognition Awards*

Very high achievement and significant improvement at the school jurisdiction level was recognized at the Minister's Education Leadership Recognition Award ceremony held in Calgary.

Okotoks ... School Board representatives and senior administration of Christ the Redeemer Catholic Schools accepted, with sincere thanks and appreciation, a total of seventeen "high achievement" and "significant improvement" awards at a recent Minister's Education Leadership Recognition Award (MELRA) ceremony.

"Once again we are blessed to have great teachers, support staff, administrators, very supportive parents and, above all else, wonderful students who do their best to meet the high expectations we, as a Board, have established," said Mr. Domingo. "I was most pleased to see the continuation of the very high achievement and significant improvement in our schools."



Vijay Domingo, Chair of the Board and Mary Stengler, Vice Chair display MELRA award certificates. Joining them are, from left to right, Trustees David Lunn, Joanne Van Donzel, Ron Schreiber, Harry Salm and Dale Rolheiser.

The *MELRA* program was created by Alberta education in collaboration with key education stakeholder representatives. The purpose is to formally recognize and celebrate significant improvement and very high achievement of jurisdiction leadership teams which are comprised of boards and district administrators.

Many of the award categories are based on the Accountability Pillar, an innovative and straightforward way of measuring our learning goals at the school authority and provincial level.

School boards are eligible to receive an award if their annual results demonstrate significant improvement and/or very high achievement.

Specifically, Christ the Redeemer Catholic Schools received the following seventeen awards in the two designated standards:

Very High Achievement

- **Safe and Caring Schools**
- **Education Quality**
- **High School Completion Rate**
- **Provincial Achievement Test: Excellence**
- **Diploma Examination: Acceptable**
- **Diploma Examination: Excellence**
- **Rutherford Scholarship Eligibility Rate**
- **Transition Rate**
- **Citizenship**
- **Parental Involvement**
- **School Improvement**
- **Practical Arts**
- **Fine Arts**

Significant Improvement

- **Program of Studies**
- **Rutherford Scholarship Eligibility Rate**
- **School Improvement**
- **Practical Arts**

In accepting these seventeen awards, the Board has acknowledged once again, with great thanks and appreciation, the tremendous efforts and accomplishments of all those involved in providing high quality faith-based educational experiences for the more than 7300 students served in Christ the Redeemer Catholic Schools.

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