

# **REQUEST FOR COMMENTS**

# DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF NIAGARA PUPIL ACCOMMODATION REVIEW POLICY UPDATE

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The District School Board of Niagara may undertake Pupil Accommodation Reviews to address programming, enrolment and/or facility condition issues at a school or group of schools. These reviews are undertaken to develop solutions for the schools to best meet the current and future educational needs of students.

The Pupil Accommodation Review process is set out in the Education Act and the Ministry of Education's Pupil Accommodation Review Guidelines (PARG). School Boards are required to establish their own set of Pupil Accommodation Review policies that reflect the Ministry's minimum standards.

### **PURPOSE:**

On March 26, 2015, the Ministry of Education issued the new Pupil Accommodation Review Guidelines to all School Boards in Ontario. School Boards are required to update their own policies to reflect the new 2015 guidelines.

The Ministry's 2015 PARG contains a new optional modified pupil accommodation review process that is intended to help streamline less complex accommodation reviews. An optional modified accommodation review must meet two or more criteria that are included in the School Board's policy.

## **OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT: (available online May 6 to June 3, 2015)**

As part of the public consultation process, stakeholders and the public are invited to review the Draft Accommodation Review Policy. We invite you to provide comments on the draft policy including the optional modified review process (Section 7). The draft policy may be found by <u>clicking here</u>. Comments may be sent electronically by <u>clicking here</u> or by mail between May 6 and June 3, 2015 to:

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Read the Draft Policy Here

**Provide Your Comments Here**