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CPCO congratulates winners of Canada's Outstanding Principals Award 2016

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What is Canada's Outstanding Principals™?

Canada's Outstanding Principals™ initiative recognizes outstanding contributions of Principals in publicly funded schools. It honours Principals from every province and territory in the country, who demonstrate innovation, entrepreneurial spirit and who have done something truly remarkable in public education.

For more information on Canada's Outstanding Principals, please visit the [Learning Partnership's](#) website.

We are proud to see six of CPCO's valued Associates win *Canada's Outstanding Principals Award 2016* and we congratulate all winners this year!



Rocchina Antunes

St. Jean de Brebeuf Catholic High School
York Catholic District School Board
Woodbridge, Ontario

"I am grateful to The Learning Partnership and look forward to joining the other Outstanding Principals of 2016 from every province and territory at the executive leadership course held at the prestigious Rotman School of Management.

"In winning this award, I am humbled that my school community felt that my leadership merited consideration and recognition."



Jan Bazaluk

St. Ann School

Thunder Bay Catholic District School Board
Thunder Bay, Ontario

“Canada’s Outstanding Principals Award is very meaningful and gratifying for me, as it affirms for me that sustained passion, dedication and commitment in one’s work pay off. It is, indeed, an honour to be recognized for my personal contributions and professional achievements as I am proud of my career accomplishments.

“This award has inspired and motivated me to continue to grow and expand myself, not only in my Principal role, but also in my career aspirations. I am sincerely grateful, humbled and excited to be esteemed by The Canadian Learning Partnership in such a prestigious way.”



Vito Colella

Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Elementary School
Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board
Hamilton, Ontario

“Saying that being nominated for and recognized as one of Canada’s Outstanding Principals has been a surreal and overwhelming experience is an understatement. I have always believed that someone in a position of leadership is only as good as those around him/her.

“I have been blessed to always be surrounded by such outstanding members of my Catholic school communities, especially at my present school at Blessed Teresa of Calcutta CES. While the award may have my name on it, I will accept it as an affirmation of what we have been able to accomplish together as a Catholic school community.”



Christine Leung

Mother Teresa Catholic School
Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board
Bradford, Ontario

“I am humbled to be recognized by The Learning Partnership. They do a great job of championing public education.

“I am surrounded by colleagues who live their vocations every day in the fantastic work they do for children.”



Bríd Mc Donald

St. Patrick's High School
Ottawa Catholic School Board
Ottawa, Ontario

"This award is testament to the excellent staff I have had the honour to work and grow with as an educator.

"I am grateful to The Learning Partnership and look forward to the learning opportunity provided by the Rotman School of Management."



Manuela Sequeira

St. Clare Catholic Elementary School
Toronto Catholic District School Board
Toronto, Ontario

"It is an honour to be recognized by The Learning Partnership and my Catholic Community as one of Canada's Outstanding Principals, for the work that I am so passionate about doing every day of the week.

"Leading student achievement in the 21st century in Toronto's ever-changing, diverse, multicultural city is both invigorating and challenging. Often it is in that challenge that creative thinking, proactive and systematic change can happen.

"I applaud The Learning Partnership for their initiative in celebrating and building educational leadership capacity across Canada."

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