

Community Information Bulletin

Public Budget Consultation: *ThoughtExchange*

April 25, 2019

As you may be aware, the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board (DPCDSB) is undertaking a comprehensive public budget consultation as part of the process in building its 2019-2020 budget. On Wednesday, April 24, the DPCDSB held a public webcast, which was one of a number of options for parents/guardians and community members to provide feedback. For more information about the budget process and feedback options, visit the Budget Consultation page on the DPCDSB website at www.dpcdsb.org.

A new option to provide input, this year, is through *ThoughtExchange*, a web-based, process that allows participants to share viewpoints, allows the DPCDSB to hear ideas and priorities, and gives participants a chance to find out what others are saying, while keeping the identity of those who made the comments private.

There are three parts to the process:

1. Share - provide your thoughts on what is important for the 2019-2020 Budget.
2. Star - review ideas from other stakeholders and “star” the ideas according to your reaction to them.
3. Discover - learn what is important to other respondents and, ultimately, to the community.

If you have not used *ThoughtExchange* before, please note the following:

- You do not have to Sign Up /Log In. Just select Continue after agreement to Terms of Use.
- You will be asked to select an option that most closely identifies your affiliation to the DPCDSB.
- Come into the exchange to share your thoughts. Remember to say why each thought is important. The number of thoughts you can enter is unlimited, however we would caution around entering too many. Maximum of five (5) is ideal.
- Consider and rate the thoughts of others using stars (rating up to 30 different thoughts is ideal).
- *Thoughtexchange* keeps confidential who shared each thought and rating.

You can access ThoughtExchange through the following link:
<https://my.thoughtexchange.com/#299671078> or by way of this QR Code.



Thank you for your consideration of this opportunity to let the DPCDSB hear your voice as it builds its 2019-2020 budget.