

**Premiere Dalton McGuinty's E-mail Message Reaffirming his Commitment to Continued  
Discrimination against 70% of our Ontario Children**

----- Original Message -----

From: <dmcguinty@premier.gov.on.ca>

To: <coordinator@onessn.org>

Sent: Wednesday, December 12, 2007 11:50 AM

Subject: An e-mail from the Premier of Ontario

Thanks for your online message on behalf of One School System Network about education funding in our province. I appreciate your taking the time to share your views with me.

Canada has a rich history. And the provision of funding for Catholic schools is deeply entrenched in the history that has shaped our great country - and in its constitution. As Premier of Ontario, it is my responsibility to uphold that constitution. Catholic schools are an integral part of Ontario's publicly funded education system and benefit equally from our public support. I firmly believe that continuing to protect and strengthen our publicly funded schools - public, Catholic, English and French - is the right thing to do for the people of Ontario.

Our government remains steadfast in our belief that our current publicly funded system is the right foundation for improved student success. Continuing to strengthen Ontario's 5,000 publicly funded schools is the single most important thing we can do to strengthen the skills and talents of Ontarians - and to move our province forward. Please be assured that, as we work toward that goal, all students in our publicly funded schools will benefit from our continued attention and investment.

Thanks again for contacting me. I value and welcome your views.

Dalton McGuinty

Premier of Ontario