

Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario

Best Start Initiative: Presentation of services and support

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The Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario has 40 elementary schools and 10 secondary schools serving the counties of Lanark, Leeds, Grenville, Stormont, Dundas, Glengarry, Prescott and Russell.

Prescott-Russell has 4 elementary schools:

- St. Jude in Vankleek Hill *
- Pope John Paul II in Hammond *
- St. Patrick in Rockland
- Mother Teresa in Russell

**Best Start Initiative*

CDSBEO services and support to children up to 6 years old - Grade 1

- Behavior consultation: report
- Student Support Worker (SSW): deals with the social/ emotional aspects— daily behavioral intervention and crisis – develops safety plan, individual program..
- Itinerant SSW: referred for crisis/high need students.
- Educational Assistants: support in classes with high needs and behavior student(s).

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- Special Education Consultants: meetings, referrals, parental information, placements, etc. (Consultants for various regions of the school board.)
- Referrals are made to the Health Unit, I.e.: Words in Bloom
- The school takes over for Speech and Language when the child is 5 years old. We then can refer to the CCAC for articulation (...shouldn't it be done by the Health Unit?..)

CDSBEO services and support for children older than 6 yrs old

- Speech Pathologist for Language
- Psychologist for assessment for students in Gr. 3 and up
- Behavior Consultation (any grade)
- Referrals are made to the Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) for Occupational Therapy (O.T.) and for speech
- Referrals to the Services to Children and Adults of Prescott-Russell, as needed