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The Wellington Catholic District School Board is committed to providing the highest degree of service to all students entrusted to its care. The Board recognizes that the diverse learning needs of some students may require unique accommodation and or modification. The use of service dogs is an intervention strategy that is recognized as an aid to students with special needs. Any service dog that is trained to assist a child with special needs must be accompanied by an adult dog handler.

In accordance with its mission and in compliance with the Human Rights Act and the Ontarians with Disabilities Act, the Board supports the use of service dogs in the schools and facilities of the Board.