

Pastoral Reference Form for Leadership Candidates

Section 1 – Teacher Information (*completed by the candidate*)

Teacher Name (Print): _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Parish: _____ Parish Address: _____

Section 2 – Faith Formation Plan (*completed by the candidate*)

Procedure: To be submitted to costafichuk@redeemer.ab.ca. You must complete this section, and have it **signed by your parish priest, stamped with the parish seal**. Email a scanned copy of the signed and sealed document to costafichuk@redeemer.ab.ca.

This document is required for continuous contract recommendation. Please limit your responses to one paragraph per question. Please review [The Excellent Catholic Leader](#) created by the Council of Catholic School Superintendents of Alberta.

Reflecting on Mark 4 of [The Excellent Catholic Leader](#) – *An excellent Catholic leader is called to be a witness and an agent of hope, proclaiming the Gospel message to all people, everywhere and at all times*, respond to the following:

1. **Being a living witness to the Gospel.** Being a living witness to the Gospel requires a conscious decision to live one's life in accordance with the teachings of Jesus Christ and the precepts of the Church, reflected in an authentic discipleship of Jesus Christ and active participation in the Church's mission.
 - a. How do you aspire to be a living witness to the Gospel?

2. **Becoming an active member of your parish community.** An excellent leader is committed to the parish to which they belong, and to the parish to which their school belongs. For many leaders in CTR Catholic these are one and the same, but for a significant number, these are two different communities.

- a. How would you describe what it means to be an active member of your parish community?

- b. How do you plan to continue to develop your relationship with your parish priest and parish community?

- c. If different from your own, how will you build relationships in the parish community of your school?

- d. If different from your own, how will you become a contributing member of your school's parish community?

3. **Active involvement in the school's Catholic Culture.** An excellent Catholic school is constantly working toward building a strong Catholic culture that is in line with [Catholic Social Teaching](#).
 - a. How do you plan to build a strong Catholic culture in your school and the division?

- b. How do you plan to bring awareness of [Catholic Social Teaching](#) to your school as a leader in a Catholic school?

Candidate signature: _____ Date: _____

Section 3 – Parish Perspective (*completed by the parish priest*)

Priest Name (Print): _____ Phone: _____

How well do you know the Applicant? Very Well / Well / Limited / Not At All

Is the Applicant registered at your parish? Yes / No

Has the Applicant shared his/her faith formation plan reflection with you? Yes / No

Comments

Comments are optional. Please attach additional sheets if required.

Parish Priest signature: _____ Date: _____
(to be stamped with parish seal on signing)