

Rotary



November, 2017 **Club of Windsor-Roseland**

NEW SIMPLIFIED APPLICATION FORM FOR PEACE SCHOOL DESIGNATION

Dear Principal,

Applications for 2017-2018 Rotary Peace School status are now being accepted. Since 2006, 33 elementary schools in Windsor and Essex County have earned the designation Roseland-Rotary Peace School. Schools that are recognized for the first time receive a peace pole (signage, pole and anchor)...as well as a wall plaque, peace bracelets and an invitation to our yearly Peace Skate for a busload of students at Charles Clark Square.

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How it works: NEW FORMAT – fill out and submit the application form (attached) . . . and **just tell us in a few words or in list form about your school-wide peace program** – i.e. the activities teachers and students do daily to promote peace and understanding. You may wish to consult the common Peace School Check List (attached) . . . to help with your submission. Our selection committee will review all submissions and determine and inform the schools receiving Rotary Peace School Designations.

IMPORTANT (for Former Peace School Winners)

To continue to keep your designation as a Rotary Peace School each year -- and retain BRAGGING RIGHTS in your school community – just fill out the application (attached) . . . and tell us in a few words or in list form about your school-wide peace program. You may wish to consult and/or include the Peace School Check List (attached) to help with your submission.

DEADLINE: The deadline for this year's application is **January 19, 2018**. Please send your application to: Public Board – Scott Scantlebury and Catholic Board – Stephen Fields
OR Email to sdragich@cogeco.ca

Yours in Rotary Service,

Sam Dragich *Julie Dragich*

Sam and Julie Dragich
Co-Chairs, Peace Schools Committee
Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland

ROTARY PEACE SCHOOL

APPLICATION FORM 2017-18

SCHOOL NAME: _____

SCHOOL BOARD: Please check

PUBLIC CITY _____
PUBLIC COUNTY _____

SEPARATE CITY _____
SEPARATE COUNTY _____

Number of students: _____ Number of Full Time Staff _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____

POSITION: _____

E-MAIL: _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS: _____ POSTAL CODE _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____

PRINCIPAL'S NAME _____

PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE: _____

NOTES: How it works:

1. Fill out and submit the application form (above) along with your school's peace school profile.
2. **Please attach a separate sheet telling us (in a few words or in list form) about your school-wide peace program** – i.e. the activities teachers and students do daily to promote peace and understanding. This is your Rotary Peace School Profile.
3. You may wish to consult the common Peace School Check List** (attached) . . . to help with your submission.
**You may wish to simply “check-off” the bullets on the Check List and attach it with your submission. . . but be sure to highlight some new or particularly successful peace activities for which you are proud.
4. Our selection committee will review all submissions and determine the schools receiving Rotary Peace School Designations.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

January 19, 2018

For further information on the project, please contact Sam or Julie Dragich
Peace Committee Co-Chairs – Rotary Club of Windsor Roseland
(519) 969-6049 or sdragich@cogeco.ca
(226) 350-2625 Cell

ADDENDUM

- **Along with your submission, please elaborate on some school-wide peace activities for which you are particularly proud.**

ROTARY PEACE SCHOOL CHECK-LIST

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- **GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP**
 - ___ We have a student athlete code of conduct
 - ___ We have an athletic contract that sets standards of behaviour for participants and parents
 - ___ We display our code of conduct
 - ___ The code of conduct is included in the school agenda
- **NON-ATHLETIC PROGRAMS**
 - ___ Our school participates in a variety of non-athletic programs, i.e. chess, cooking, drama, etc.
- **LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS**
 - ___ Our school participates in leadership programs, i.e. board leadership program, anti-violence, school stores, tutor/monitor, lunch monitors, hall monitors, student ambassadors, etc.
- **HOUSE LEAGUE**
 - ___ Our school has a house league program or intramural program

COMMUNICATION

- **NEWSLETTER**
 - ___ Our school provides a newsletter with input from administration and/or teachers and/or school council: that recognizes the ethnocultural diversity of the students and of our world/community
- **INVITING SCHOOL**
 - ___ Our school invites parents and the wider community to school events: to at least 1 or more activities during the school year
- **WEBSITE**
 - ___ Our school has a website that is current and updated: once, often or monthly through the school year
- **MEDIA**
 - ___ We regularly inform our community of events and activities in the local media
- **DIGNITARIES**
 - ___ We regularly invite dignitaries (senior administration, trustees, politicians, community leaders) to our school for celebrations
- **SCHOOL COUNCILS**
 - ___ Our school councils meet several times a year

SCHOOL CULTURE

- Our school displays artifacts in the school consistent with the Rotary Peace Schools Project
- Our school has student ambassadors to take new students and families for a tour of the school
- Our school has a bulletin board at the entrance naming all the staff and their role within the school
- Our school proudly displays our board and school mission statement and philosophy
- Our regularly school celebrates the various ethnocultural groups in our school
- Our school regularly holds celebrations for achievements and the recognition of individuals
- Our school displays a welcome sign at the entrance of the school...and perhaps in another language

PROGRAMS

- Our school is dedicated to maintaining a safe environment through anti-bullying/conflict resolution programs
- Our school employs character programs to enhance cooperation and respect
- Our school utilizes community support to teach our students about keeping safe
- Our school liaises with secondary schools to make our school stronger,
i.e. co-op students
- Peaceful playground programs at our school ensure a safe play area for all our students
- Our school has a teacher-mentoring program to support new teachers in their new environment

SCHOOL PRIDE

- Our school best demonstrates school pride by:
 - Having a school song/cheer
 - Displaying international flags
 - School uniform for sports
 - Other
 - Our school engages in recycling initiatives
 - Our school has a special designation, i.e. Green School, Fitness Award, Renaturalization, etc.
 - Our school participates in a community cleanup
 - Our school participates in community "Calls for Action", i.e. tsunami relief, food banks, coats for kids
 - Our school performs/visits other community agencies, i.e. elderly, day care, other

ROTARY PRINCIPLES

- Our school displays the **Rotary 4-Way Test** prominently in the school
- Our school staff participates in an international professional development exchange
- Our school participates in special initiatives that demonstrate: Peace, Understanding, Goodwill,
Service Above Self
- Our school has started a new initiative this year related to promoting world peace and understanding

ADDENDUM

- **Along with your submission, please elaborate on some school-wide peace activities for which you are particularly proud**

Roseland-Rotary Peace Schools Peace Pole Winners – to September, 2017

2006 – Begley, Benson, Harrow Senior, St. James and Holy Cross

2007 – Queen of Peace, Immaculate Conception, Gordon McGregor and MD Bennie

2008 – Dougall Avenue, Amherstburg, St. Mary, St. Maria Goretti

2009 – St. John the Baptist, St. Anthony, Gosfield North

2010 – St. Jules, St. Pius X (Tecumseh)

2011 – St. Rose, St. Alexander, Dr. H.D. Taylor

2012 – Roseville, Prince Edward, W.L. Langlois

2013 – St. William, St. Bernard

2014 – John Campbell, Princess Elizabeth

2015 – Tecumseh Vista Academy

2016 – Talbot Trail

2017 – Holy Name (Essex), LaSalle, St. Anne French Immersion

SCHOOLS MAINTAINING PEACE SCHOOL STATUS Retaining BRAGGING RIGHTS in 2016-2017

Dougall, Windsor

St. Pius X, Tecumseh

St. Jules, Windsor

Talbot Trail, Windsor

John Campbell, Windsor

Holy Cross, Windsor

W. J. Langlois, Windsor

St. James, Windsor

EXPLANATION OF AWARD

Rotary Club of Windsor Roseland's Peace Prize and Rotary Peace School Designation **2017-18** (for elementary schools in Windsor and Essex County)

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Applications for the Rotary Peace School designation for elementary schools can be obtained from the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland website:

<http://www.roselandrotary.com/>

Schools that have achieved a certain level of rating (based on their submission) will receive an honour board to be placed in their school in a prominent area for all to see. These schools will be designated a Rotary Peace School. Schools that have submitted an application but have not been designated a Rotary Peace School will be awarded a certificate of participation.

How to Complete the Application: Just fill out and submit the application form (see website) . . . **and tell us in a few words or in list form about your school-wide peace program:** i.e. the activities teachers and students do daily to promote peace and understanding. You may wish to consult the common Peace School Check List (see website) . . . to help with your submission. Our selection committee will review all submissions . . . and determine and inform the schools receiving Rotary Peace School Designations.

In general, schools making exemplary submissions (one each per city and county public and separate schools – 4 per year) will receive an honour board and Rotary Peace Pole, which will be planted on their school property. A school can only win the peace pole once. Children from schools with the highest ratings will be invited to the Rotary Club of Windsor Roseland's Annual Peace Skate at Charles Clarke Square on or about **Thursday, February 22, 2018** from 10:00 to 2:00 pm. One bus per school will bring children to and from the square. The Rotary Club will provide skates and lunches. Poles will be delivered in May or June. Each child in the winning schools will receive a plastic bracelet inscribed with "Let Peace Prevail on Earth" as a constant reminder to think about peace.

IMPORTANT (for former Peace School Winners)

To continue to keep your designation as a Rotary Peace School each year -- and retain BRAGGING RIGHTS in your school community – just apply as above to outline how your school has continued to promote peace and understanding.

The winners will be announced in **February, 2018.**

For more information, contact: Sam or Julie Dragich, Co-Chairs, Roseland Rotary Peace Schools Committee at 519-969-6049, 226-350-2625cell or sdragich@cogeco.ca

Completed applications can be sent directly to Sam and Julie Dragich at sdragich@cogeco.ca