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Lambton Kent and St. Clair Catholic District School Boards to Share \$30,000 from Noelle's Gift

The Noelle's Gift foundation will donate a total of \$30,000 to the St. Clair Catholic and Lambton Kent district school boards to support students and families in need for the 2016-2017 school year.

"We are always thankful to the family of Noelle Paquette and Noelle's Gift for their continued support of our students and families in need," says Jim Costello, Director of Education for the Lambton Kent District School Board.

"Once again, we are grateful and greatly blessed by the generous donation from Noelle's Gift," says Dan Parr, Director of Education for the St. Clair Catholic District School Board. "This tremendous on-going support for our students and their families is a fitting and lasting legacy for the life and work of Noelle Paquette."

The \$30,000 donation from the Noelle's Gift charitable fund is shared among the two school boards to support students and their families who are in need. The money is used to purchase eyeglasses, clothing, food, medicine and medical equipment – anything that is needed to help children and families in crisis. The funds are dispersed independently through the two school boards. Principals make application whenever a child is in need. Requests are processed quickly, to get help to families as soon as possible.

The Noelle's Gift charitable fund was established in memory of Noelle Paquette, a former Kindergarten teacher with St. Clair Catholic, who passed away in January 2013.

Members of the Noelle's Gift Foundation will present cheques to the Lambton Kent and St. Clair Catholic district school boards on Thursday, October 20, 2016 at 12:00 p.m. at the Catholic Education Centre, 420 Creek Street, Wallaceburg.

Members of the media are welcome to attend.

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