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SPIRITUAL CARE AND GUIDANCE *AND* COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT SERVICE

*A BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE
GOVERNMENT SERVICE*

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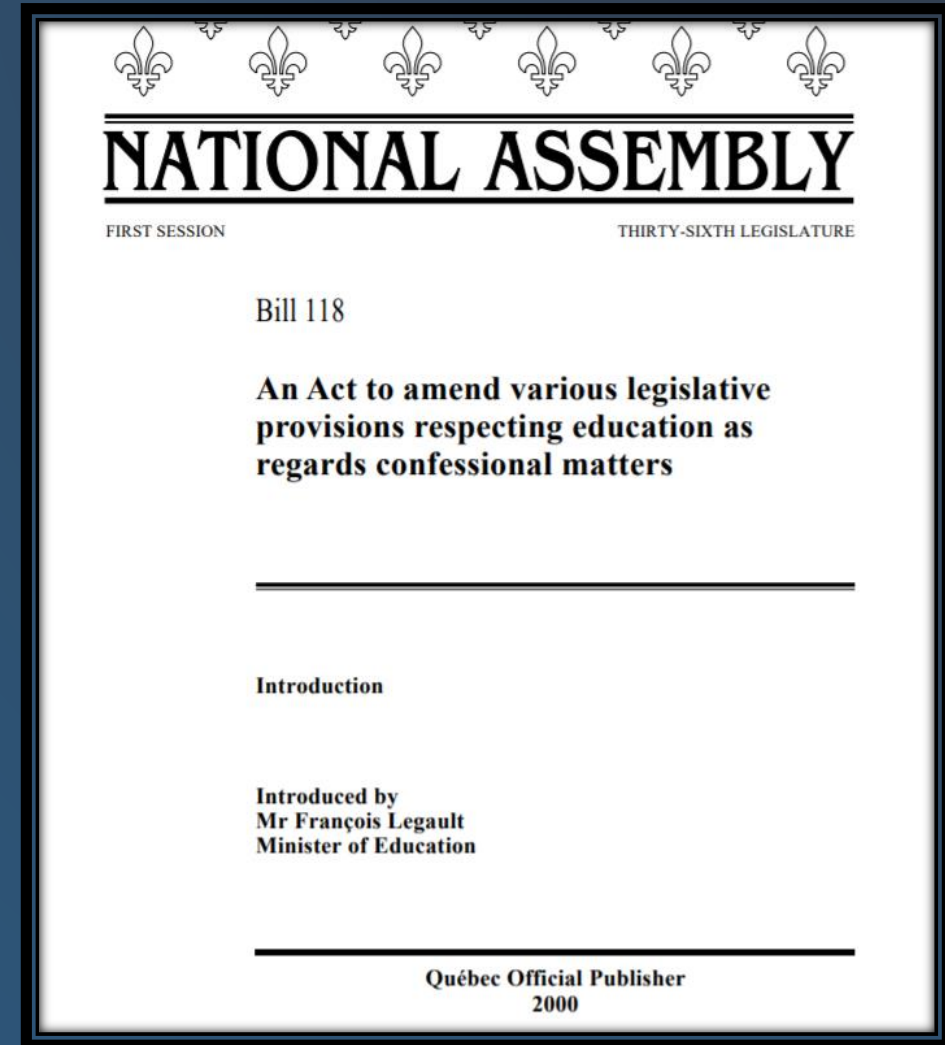
THE SPIRITUAL CARE
AND GUIDANCE AND
COMMUNITY
INVOLVEMENT SERVICE?





Bill 118 (2000)

- “The repeal of the confessional status of public schools means that it will no longer be possible, even in exceptional circumstances, for a public school to adopt a specific religious persuasion or to serve as a place of instruction for **one religion** in particular.”
- “Student services providing pastoral care and guidance for Catholics and religious care and guidance for Protestants are replaced by student services in **spiritual care and guidance and community involvement.**”





Education Act (2000)

- **Art. 36**

A school shall, in particular, facilitate the **spiritual development** of students so as to promote self-fulfillment.

- **Art. 226**

Every school board shall ensure that schools offer to all students student services for **spiritual care and guidance and community involvement**.

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Food for the body is not enough. There must be food for the soul.

— Dorothy Day

DUALITY OF THE ROLE

SPIRITUAL CARE AND GUIDANCE



**Help students develop
spiritually through a pluralistic
approach. Engage in spiritual
practices through focus on the
commonalities of the World's
Major religions**



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT



**Provide
opportunities for
students to get
involved in their
communities**

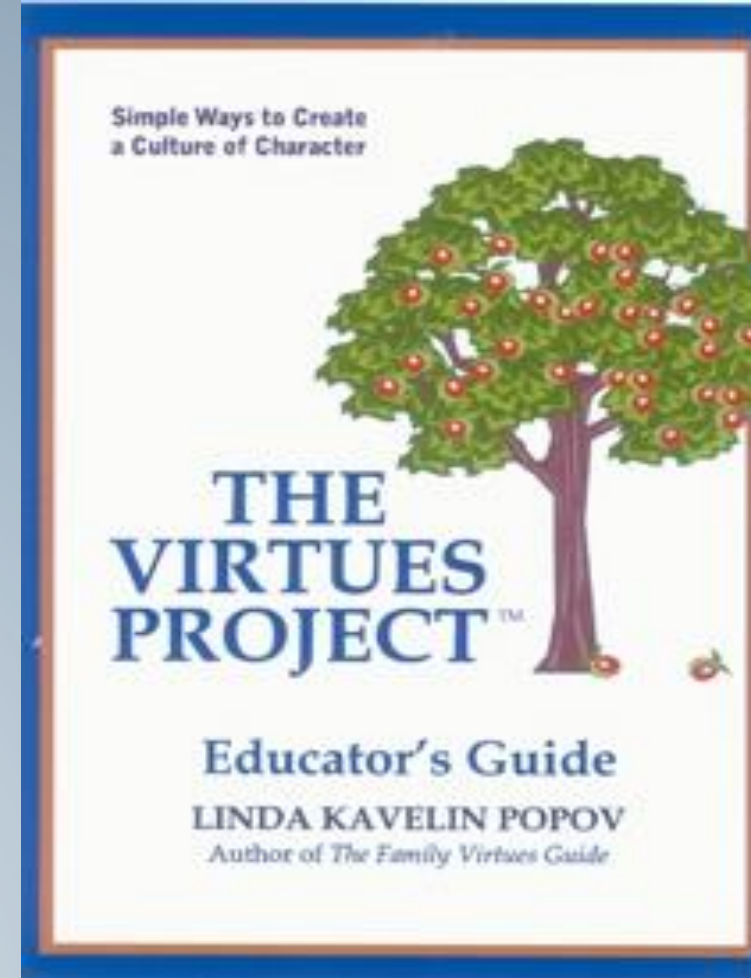


What is Spirituality?

“The quality that involves deep feelings and beliefs of a religious nature, rather than the physical parts of life.”

- Cambridge Dictionary
- “Relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things.”
 - Oxford Dictionary

Our Resources



OUR TITLE

SPIRITUAL CARE AND
GUIDANCE AND
COMMUNITY
INVOLVEMENT
ANIMATOR

VS

SPIRITUAL AND
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The Service in Action

The Spiritual Care and
Guidance and Community
Involvement Service

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT



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Meditation

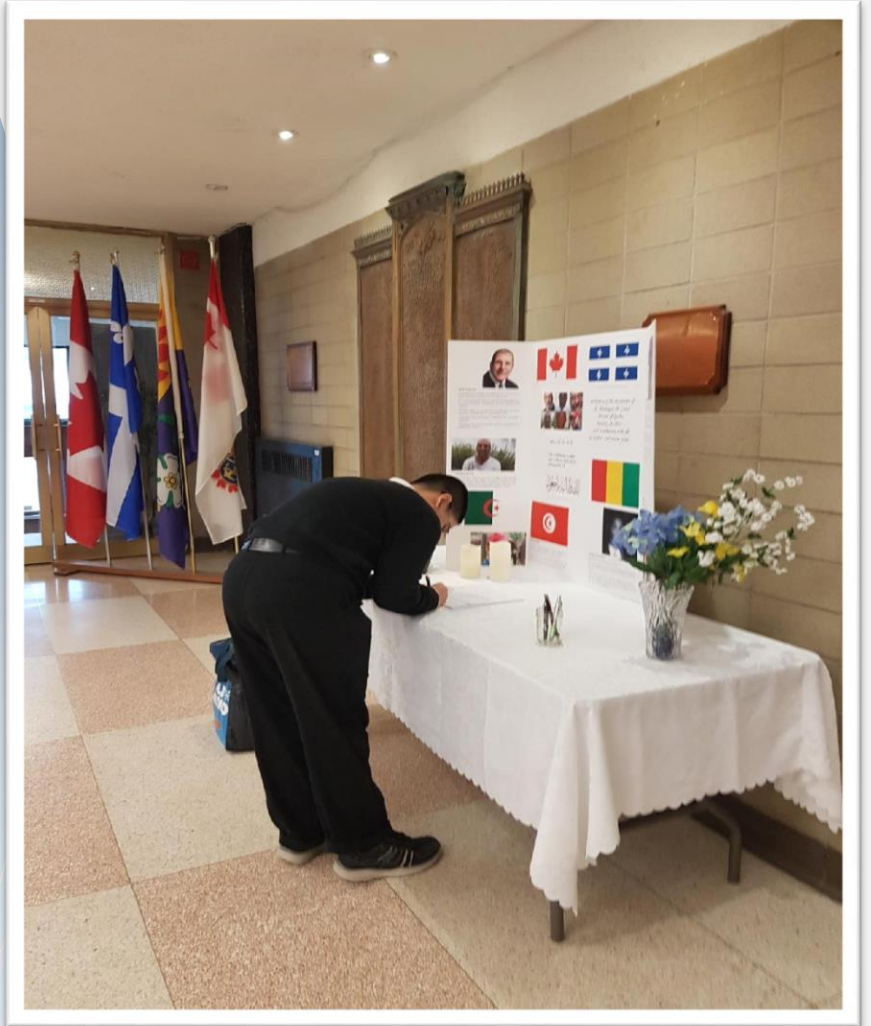
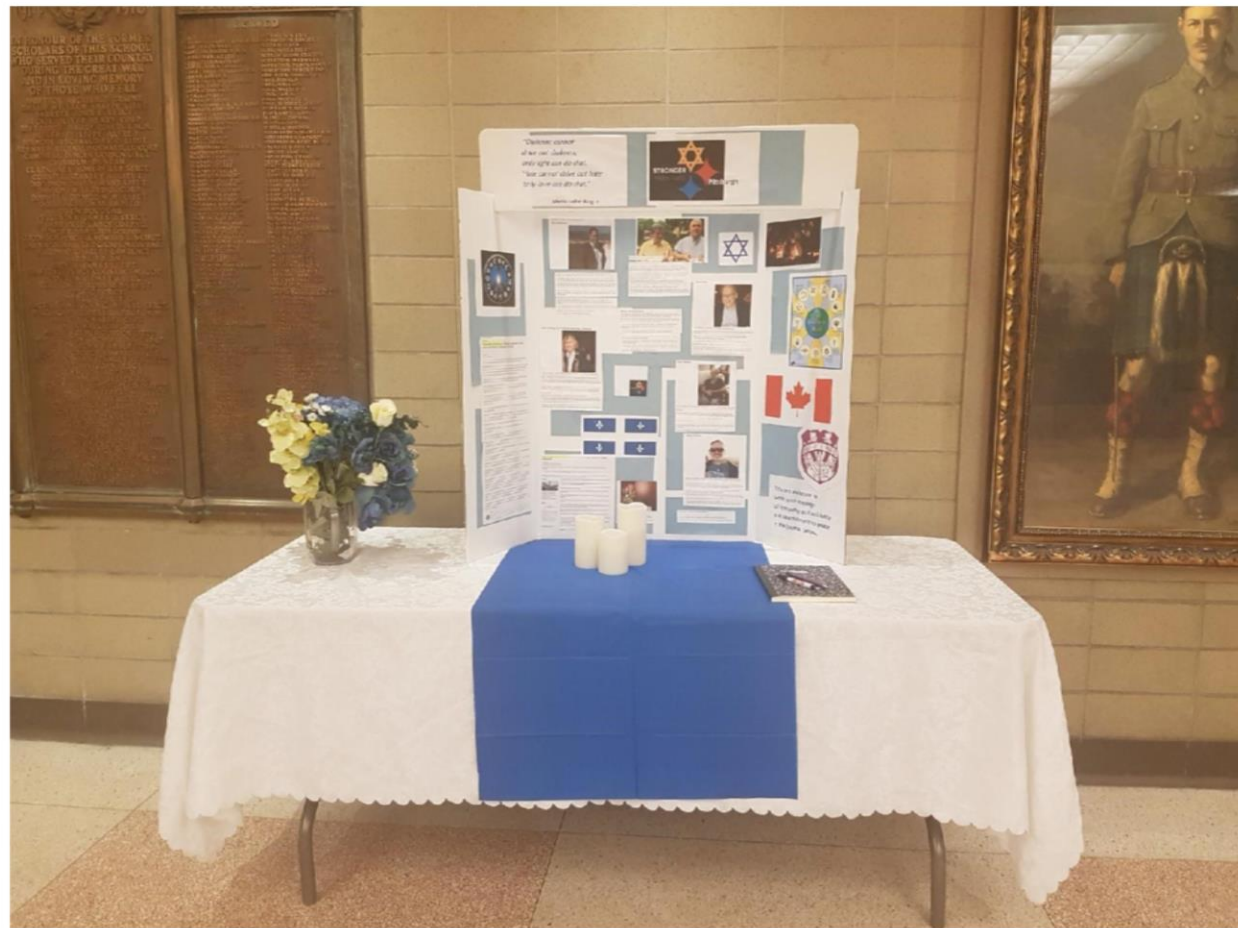


Virtues Program



SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

The Golden Rule

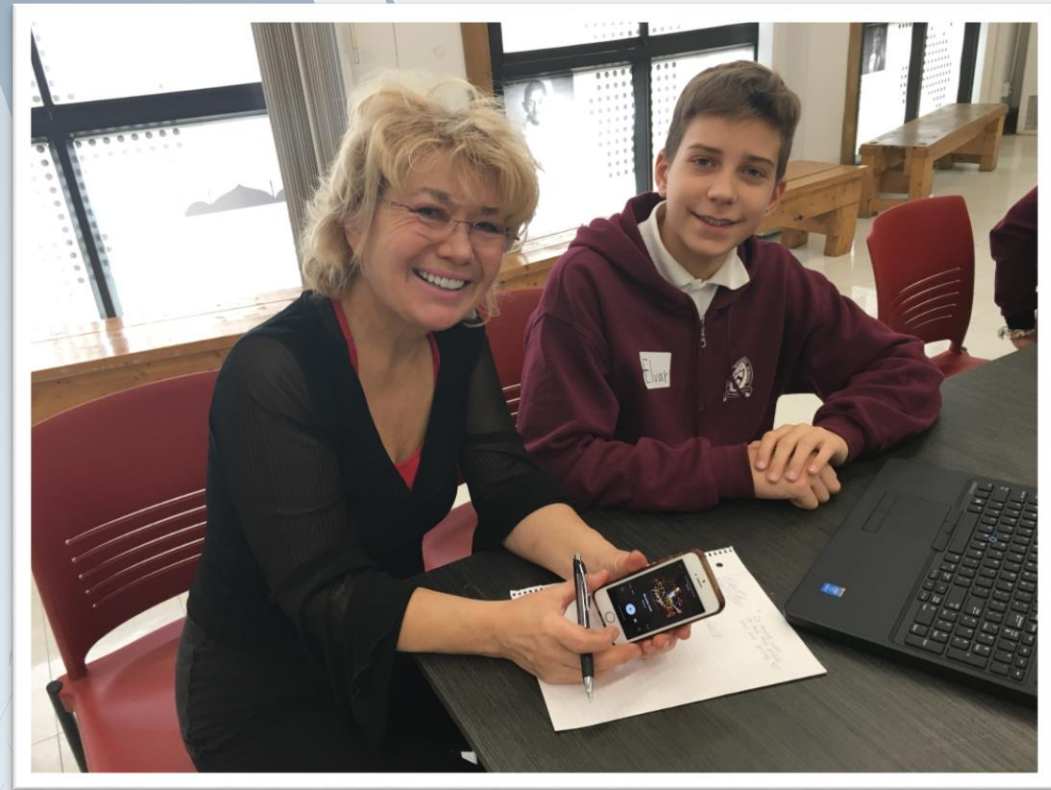


COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT



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Visiting Senior Residences



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Donating to the needy



Volunteering at food shelter



CHARITY





WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE CHARITABLE?

- “Full of love for and goodwill toward others.”
- - Merriam-Webster Dictionary

What types of things can we be charitable with?



Things



Time



Talents

A scenic landscape featuring a calm blue lake in the middle ground, reflecting the sky and surrounding greenery. The background consists of rolling green hills under a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds. The foreground is a vibrant, lush green field. The text "Why is charity important?" is overlaid in white on the green field.

Why is charity important?

- **Research has shown that charity has been around since the beginning of mankind where humans needed to work in groups to survive. Being charitable and sharing was the only way to survive.**



Harvard Business School Study

- Conducted a study in 2011 that examined the effects of charity and kindness on happiness, and found that people are happiest when they are being charitable.



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Charity is Promoted through Religion



Buddhism



- In Buddhism, generosity is one of the Ten Perfections and is the antidote to the self-chosen poison called greed.
- These perfections help achieve enlightenment.



Christianity



Christians follow the teachings of Jesus. Jesus is quoted as saying:

If anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let him have your coat also. Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you.

(Matthew 5:40-44)



Islam



- In Islam the Quran states that whatever we give away generously, with the intention of pleasing God, He will replace it. God knows what is in the hearts of men. Say: “Truly, my Lord enlarges the provision for whom He wills of His slaves, and also restricts it) for him, and whatsoever you spend of anything (in God’s Cause), He will replace it. And He is the Best of providers.” (Quran 34:39)



Judaism



- “Tzedakah” is charitable giving, typically seen as a moral obligation.

Brainstorming Sessions

- What are some ways that you can demonstrate charity towards your family?
- In your opinion, what effects will this have on them?



My Challenge to you...

- **Developing your, and your children's, spiritual life through meditation, gratitude and charity.**

THANK YOU

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