

Ms. Mary Gauthier General Manager Mechanical Contractors Association of Ottawa 2039 Robertson Road, Suite 401 Ottawa, ON K2H 8R2

Dear Ms. Gauthier,

On behalf of the Conseil des écoles catholiques du Centre-Est and our school community, I wanted to express our heartfelt gratitude for your recent donation of 150 school backpacks. Your generosity is truly inspiring and deeply appreciated.

Your donation will have a direct and positive impact on the lives of the students we serve. With these backpacks, students in need will not only have a practical way to carry their books and supplies, but also a sense of pride and confidence as they head to school. Your thoughtful contribution is helping to create an environment where every student has an equal opportunity to succeed.

The theme for this year's school year is 'Engagement': our schools offer an active and engaging learning environment for students. Your wonderful gift closely aligns with this theme. The donated backpacks provide students with the tools they need to be fully engaged in their learning experience. When students have the necessary supplies, they are better equipped to participate in class, complete assignments, and actively participate in educational activities.

Your donation also enhances the feeling that the community cares about the school and its students. Having their own backpacks can boost student's confidence and sense of pride. When students feel prepared and organized, they are more likely to be more enthusiastic and active in class discussions, group activities and extracurricular events. This enhances the overall engagement of these students.

Once again, thank you for your kindness and commitment to our students. Your donation is a beacon of hope for our students, reminding them that there are caring individuals like you who believe in their potential.

With sincere gratitude,

Valérie Samson

**Executive Director of Communications** 

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