## Policy 7 - Appendix F – Treaty Acknowledgement

## TREATY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Catholic social teaching upholds that every human being is created in the image and likeness of God and, therefore, has inherent dignity. No human being should experience one's personal dignity compromised. Since oppression and injustice make it impossible to live a life commensurate with dignity, it is important for our educational communities to recognize historical conditions.

Acknowledgment of preexisting Indigenous Territories is one way of honouring and showing respect for Indigenous groups. When acknowledgment of Indigenous Territories shall occur, the Board shall use the following statement:

"We acknowledge that Treaty 6 territory, on which we stand, is the ancestral traditional land of the Indigenous peoples, and is common home to everyone in virtue of God, our Creator's, gracious gift."