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(North Bay, ON) – Our Lady of Fatima School is one of only 22 elementary and secondary schools across Ontario to receive the 2011 *Dr. Bette M. Stephenson Recognition of Achievement*. This recognition program, established by the EQAO in 2009 as a tribute to Dr. Stephenson’s lifelong commitment to education and public service, honours schools for their efforts over many years at improving student achievement and for their use of EQAO results as a way to improve student learning.

“Together with the EQAO, the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board wishes to acknowledge Our Lady of Fatima’s outstanding leadership, commitment, positive attitude and sincere effort to help every child succeed and reach their full potential,” said Anna Marie Bitonti, Director of Education.

Representatives from OLF, pictured above with Dr. Stephenson, attended the EQAO’s awards celebration in Toronto on November 7, 2011. Font row (left to right): Rosemary Conlon, OLF Teacher, Dr. Bette Stephenson, Anthony D’Agostino, OLF Principal. Back row: Marguerite Jackson, EQAO CEO, Melissa Laferriere, OLF Early Childhood Educator, Bev White, OLF Teacher, Dr. Brian Desbiens, EQAO Board Chair.

A case study featuring Our Lady of Fatima School can be found on the EQAO website, www.eqao.com, by following the quick link to “[School Stories](#)”.

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