

REPORT

TO: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**SUBJECT: SCHOOL PROFILE
HOLY NAME OF JESUS CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

DATE: TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2019

ORIGIN

Director of Education

BACKGROUND

A School Profile program was established in January 2019 to recognize and celebrate school excellence. Each month, one school in the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board is highlighted at the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

This month's report highlights Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Elementary School.

COMMENT



The original Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Elementary School on Belmont Avenue, 1964-2009



Holy Family on Brianna Ave. served as the temporary home of Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Elementary School from September 2009 to January 2012.



A Blessing and Official Dedication of the new Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Elementary School was held on May 11, 2012.

Address

181 Belmont Ave.
Hamilton, ON. L8L 7M5

School Administration

Principal: Mr. M. Campbell
Superintendent: Mrs. T. Kovach

Grades

K – Grade 8

Enrolment

of students: 428 (as of October 31, 2018)

Family of Schools

Cathedral High School

About Holy Name of Jesus CES

Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Elementary School opened in 1964 to serve Catholic families in Hamilton's bustling Crown Point neighbourhoods. The three-storey school accommodated more than 750 students in its early years of operation. In the 1970's, Holy Name of Jesus housed the school communities of St. Columba, St. Patrick and St. Anthony of Padua while their facilities were either undergoing renovations or being built. The influx of students resulted in many classes being held in the hallways. Holy Name of Jesus also doubled as a Mission Church on weekends during those years. Enrolment declined in the 1980's and the second floor of the school was converted into a St. Charles Adult and Continuing Education Centre while the third floor served as the offices of OECTA's Hamilton Secondary Unit.

In June 2009, Holy Family Catholic Elementary School amalgamated with Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Elementary School following an Accommodation Review. That same year, the HWCDSB received a \$6.5-million capital grant, later increased to \$9.2-million through the transfer of capital funds, for the construction of a new 458 pupil place Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Elementary School. In September 2009, the newly amalgamated Holy Name of Jesus School moved into its temporary home at Holy Family while construction began at the Belmont Avenue site. The new 5,178 m² school was unveiled to students and staff at an opening ceremony on January 31, 2012. An Official Blessing was held on May 11, 2012, officiated by Rev. Janusz Roginski. In addition to regular JK to Grade 8 classes, Holy Name of Jesus hosts an Early Learning and Care Program for children 18 months to 12 years of age, and an Early Years ON Centre for parents and infants 0-6.

School Motto

"To be the attitude of Jesus through example, enthusiasm and excellence"

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