

REPORT

TO: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**SUBJECT: SCHOOL PROFILE
ST. GABRIEL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

DATE: TUESDAY, MAY 7, 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 St. Gabriel Catholic Elementary School.

COMMENT



St. Gabriel Catholic Elementary School opened on September 8, 2015 with an inaugural enrolment of 550 students. A Blessing and Official Dedication by Bishop Crosby took place on April 6, 2016.

Address

1361 Barton St.
Stoney Creek, ON L8E 5L1

School Administration

Principal: Mr. M. Laskowski
Superintendent: Mrs. I. Fortino

Grades

K – Grade 8

Enrolment

of students: 552 (as of October 31, 2018)

Family of Schools

Cardinal Newman Catholic Secondary School

About St. Gabriel CES

St. Gabriel Catholic Elementary School opened on September 8, 2015 with an inaugural enrolment of 550 students. Its opening followed a 2011 new school capital funding submission to alleviate overcrowding at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Elementary School and to accommodate future growth in the Winona community. Built for 504 students, the new school opened with four portables to address enrolment pressures. Currently enrolment sits at 552 students.

At 57,330 ft.², St. Gabriel Catholic Elementary School employs the same two-storey design used for St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Elementary School. Built at a cost of \$10.5-million (\$9.8-million from a provincial grant, the remainder from board reserves), it features 17 classrooms, four kindergarten classrooms, a Learning Commons, a 6,000 ft.² gymnasium with stage, and a 38,000 ft.² asphalt playground. The school is also equipped with energy efficient lighting, and heating/cooling systems. It sits on a 2-hectare plot across from Winona Park on the Winona's eastern fringe. A Blessing and Dedication Ceremony, officiated by Bishop Douglas Crosby, was held on April 6, 2016.

In November 2015, St. Gabriel received an additional \$2-million for a four-room licensed childcare centre. The facility opened in September 2018 and can accommodate up to 10 infants, 15 toddlers and 24 pre-schoolers.

School Motto

“With God, nothing is impossible”

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