

REPORT

TO: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**SUBJECT: SCHOOL PROFILE
ST. CLARE OF ASSISI CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

DATE: JUNE 4, 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. Clare of Assisi Catholic Elementary School.

COMMENT



St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Elementary School opened on October 4, 1982 with an inaugural enrolment of 403 students. A Blessing and Official Dedication was celebrated by Bishop Paul Reding and Rev. Harvey Roach on December 12, 1982.

Address

115 London St. S.
Hannon, ON L8K 2G6

Trustee: Mr. A. Perri

School Administration

Principal: Ms. L. St. Aubin
Superintendent: Mr. C. Ciapanna

Grades

JK – Grade 8

Enrolment

of students: 330 (as of March 31, 2019)

Family of Schools

Cardinal Newman Catholic Secondary School

About St. Clare of Assisi CES

St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Elementary School opened on October 4, 1982, one month later than its scheduled September opening after severe winter weather and strikes within the construction industry delayed its completion. A Blessing and Official Dedication ceremony was held on December 12, 1982, officiated by Bishop Paul Reding and Reverend Harvey Roach. The school, located on Glenashton Drive in Stoney Creek, was built to alleviate overcrowding at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Elementary School. St. Clare opened with an inaugural enrolment of 403 students. Built at a cost of \$1.6-million, the 32,100 ft.² school employed a one-floor design, combining both open and closed classroom concepts per Ministry of Education guidelines, which required new schools to utilize a core structure with relocatable units. The structure, designed by Architect Anthony Butler, allowed the inside partitions to be changed as the school's needs changed. The open concept is still used by Grade 1-5 classrooms with three-quarter walls separating the teaching areas, while Grade 6, 7 and 8 classes are offered in closed rooms. The Kindergarten area has a designated space at the front of the school.

In January 2019, the Board of Trustees approved the selection of St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Elementary School as a French Immersion site. A Kindergarten French Immersion program will be offered at the school, beginning September 2019.

School Motto

“See the face of Jesus and be the face of Jesus”

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