

## REPORT

**TO: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**SUBJECT: SCHOOL PROFILE  
BISHOP TONNOS CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL**

**DATE: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2019**

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### **ORIGIN**

Director of Education

### **BACKGROUND**

Since the first Catholic school opened in 1855, the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board has built a long and rich tradition of excellence that continues to serve not only as a performance standard, but a defining characteristic of Catholic education in Hamilton-Wentworth. Today, the HWCDSB provides a quality, Christ-centered education to 28,985 elementary and secondary students at 48 elementary schools and 7 secondary schools throughout Hamilton.

One school will be profiled in this report each month. This month's report highlights Bishop Tonnos Catholic Secondary School.

### **COMMENT**



*Bishop Tonnos Catholic Secondary School, located at 100 Panabaker Drive, Ancaster. Opened February 2005.*

**Address**

100 Panabaker Drive  
Ancaster, ON L9G 5E3

**School Administration**

Principal: Mr. C. Barone  
Vice-Principal: Mr. A. Macaluso  
Vice-Principal: Ms. A. McCabe  
Superintendent: Mr. M. Hucal

**Grades**

Grade 9-12

**Enrolment**

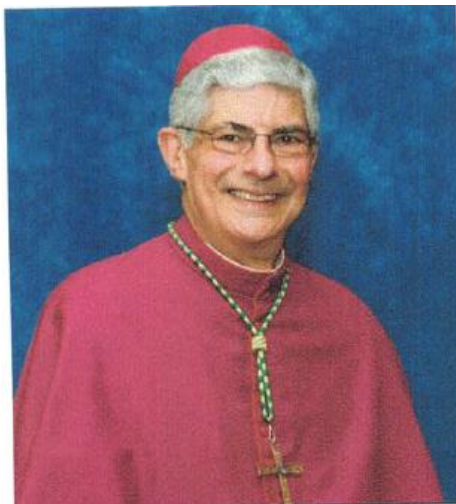
# of students: 1,179 (as of October 31, 2018)

**Family of Schools**

Bishop Tonnos Catholic Secondary School

**Feeder Schools**

Corpus Christi  
Holy Name of Mary  
Immaculate Conception  
St. Ann (Ancaster)  
St. Joachim  
St. Thérèse of Lisieux  
St. Teresa of Avila

**About Bishop Tonnos CSS**

Bishop Tonnos CSS was named after Bishop Anthony F. Tonnos who served as Bishop of Hamilton from 1984 to 2010.

In 2002, the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board approved the construction of a new secondary school in Ancaster to alleviate overcrowding at St. Thomas More Catholic Secondary School on the West Mountain and St. Mary Catholic Secondary School in West Hamilton. The school – the first new Catholic secondary school to be opened in 25 years – was named in honour of The Most Reverend Anthony F. Tonnos, eighth Bishop of Hamilton. Bishop Tonnos served as the faithful shepherd of the Hamilton Diocese from 1984-2010, and was a steadfast supporter of Catholic Education.

An official ground breaking ceremony was held on May 22, 2003 on the grounds of the former 17.5-acre Marshall Potato Farm on Highway 53 just west of Fiddler's Green Road. In September 2004, the school's inaugural Grade 9 & 10 students began their

first semester of the 2004-2005 school year at the former Christ the King Catholic Elementary School. Bishop Tonnos Catholic Secondary School opened in February 2005 with an initial enrolment of 475 students. An official blessing and dedication ceremony, celebrated by Bishop Tonnos, was held on April 17, 2005. The 178,000 sq. ft. school was built at a cost of \$24-million with a Ministry rated capacity of 1,250 students. On June 20, 2016, the Board of Trustees approved the installation of a 110,000 sq. ft. artificial turf sports field at the school. A field blessing and dedication, officiated by Bishop Tonnos, was held on October 6, 2017.

**School Motto**

“One School, One Goal, One Lord”

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