

\$5,300,000 Budget Approved

Separate School Supporters Will Pay Less Due To Grant

A 1972 budget of \$5,300,000 was approved by Halton County Separate School Board at the board meeting last week. Although the budget represents an increase of 5.9 percent over the 1971 budget, separate school ratepayers in Halton County will pay less education tax, due to an increase in the tax base and a boost in the provincial education grant.

Oakville	Res. 18.79	17.00	Esquesing	Res. 23.89	19.50
	Com. 20.88	19.00		Com. 26.54	22.00
Milton	Res. 22.81	18.00	Nassagaweya	Res. 22.00	21.00
	Com. 25.34	20.00		Com. NIL	21.00
Georgetown	Res. 19.65	18.54			
	Com. 21.62	20.40			

A total of \$679, will be spent per pupil, \$37. more per pupil than last year. The separate school board's budget of ordinary expenditures is set at \$553. per student, \$15. under the provincial ceiling of \$568. per student.

NEW FACILITIES
Tom McKay, chairman of the board's finance committee says the 1972 budget will provide for many new facilities.

Eight teacher-librarians will be employed by the board, resource centres in the schools will be improved with additional materials, supplies and equipment, special education services will be extended with the addition of more personnel, pilot courses now in effect will be implemented in all schools and more money will be available for student field trips.

HIGHER QUALITY
A remedial reading teacher, a reading development teacher, a psychometrician and a speech correction teacher will be added to the staff and an intensive professional development program will be presented for teachers and substitute teachers next fall and winter.

Board chairman Dr. Leno Brandt says, "In the past we've had a tight budget and we've had to scrimp and save. With the saving of a thousand dollars here and a thousand dollars there over the past few years, we are now in a position to offer increased services and improve the resources used by our children in the schools. The addition of qualified personnel in the special education and student services will result in a higher quality of education available in the separate schools of Halton County".

HALTON COUNTY SEPARATE SCHOOL BOARD TAX INFORMATION

	1971	1972
MILL RATE	MILL RATE	
Burlington	Res. 18.6972	17.67
	Com. 20.7747	19.63

Saturday Accident No April Fool Joke

The intersection of Guelph and Durham was the scene of two rear end collisions, one on Friday March 31 and one on Saturday April 1. Both accidents happened at 10 p.m.

On Friday a '64 Dodge driven by David Battison, 103 Sargent Road, received \$250 damage to the right rear fender, trunk lid and bumper when he was hit from behind by a car driven by Wm. G. Hillier Jr., 5 Durham Street. The '63 Chev driven by Hillier had damages amounting to \$400 to the hood, grill, radiator, bumper and fender.

The Battison car was stopped waiting for a truck to back out of a driveway when the accident occurred.

On Saturday at the same corner, cars driven by Randon J. Black, 68 Moore Park Cres., and Sidney W. Clark, of 36 Moore Park Cres., collided. Black's car suffered \$250 damage to the left front fender and grill and the Clark car \$80 damage to the left rear bumper.

A '67 Dodge owned by Patrick Payne, and parked outside his house at 52 Queen Street, received \$150 damage to the left rear end, when it was struck by a '66 Pontiac driven by Herbert Wild, 110 Mountainview North. The right front and side of the Pontiac was damaged to the tune of \$450. The accident happened Thursday, March 30, at 1:30 a.m.

No damage was done to the '67 Plymouth driven by Gord Harley, 33 John Street, in a collision with a '70 Volkswagen in the Moore Park Plaza parking lot, Saturday afternoon, April 1. The Volkswagen was not so lucky, it received \$200 damage to the left rear fender and tail light.

Cubs See Paper Coating, Tour Sugar Bush

Three employees escorted 5th Georgetown B Pack Cubs when they toured Abitibi-Provincial coating mill recently. They saw the many processes involved in producing the finished product from the rolls of uncoated stock.

Testing the paper's strength and weight, and applying the gummed surface to paper to be used for postage stamps were of particular interest.

Mrs. Dorothy Mastarlerz, assistant leader Karen Leonard and leader Mrs. Terry Colter accompanied the Cubs.

Last week their tour was outdoors as they inspected the sugaring-off process at Rattlesnake Point. Mrs. Norreen Miehms, Mrs. June Jones, Gordon Douglas, Ross Colter and Terry Colter were the adults with the group.

Consultant Guest

Parents Interest In New Primary Methods

Mrs. Charmaine Belanger, a primary consultant for the Halton Board of Education, was the speaker at the monthly meeting of the Maple Nursery School parents.

Mrs. Belanger showed a film "And Sow Tomorrow" to demonstrate the use of new methods in primary education.

methods that encourage independence and provide challenge but do not push a child beyond his ability.

The film caught the sense of discovery as the children painted and sang, weighed and measured, investigated and learned. The rapport where teachers guide rather than

lecture was obvious. This less authoritarian system allows and encourages children to think for themselves, to research and investigate - a necessity in a world where facts are often outdated almost as soon as they are compiled.

INSIGHT

Discussion after the film revealed the parents' interest in the new methods and their admiration for the teachers. They were concerned about reading ability, developing a love of books, and the advisability of teaching a pre-schooler to read.

One mother, whose family is here on exchange from England, added her comparisons of the techniques used in the primary grades in England and Canada. The evening provided an insight into the school programs the children at nursery school will be entering.

Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Evans, 5 Valleyview, spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Donald MacLennan, Owen Sound.



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