

# GDHS debate team wins Halton title

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On Friday, Feb. 19, six members from Georgetown District High School's debate team travelled to Abbey Park High School in Oakville to compete against eight other schools from across Halton region. The resolution being debated at this year's regional finals was "This house believes that the current educational system is failing our students".

After the final round of this competitive tournament, several

debaters from GDHS came away with either individual or team medals.

In the individual speaker category, Chelsea Jackson placed sixth, Kylie de Chastelain placed third and Holly Kallmeyer placed second overall out of a total of 52 debaters. The added performances of both Erik Smith and Jack Britton provided GDHS with the total points needed to secure its first regional title since being formed in 2006.

In the team category, Dryden Bailey and Chelsea Jackson

earned a respectable fourth place finish while the team of Kylie de Chastelain and Holly Kallmeyer secured an impressive second place after being narrowly defeated by a team from Abbey Park. As a result of their efforts, both teams will go on to represent Halton at the upcoming Ontario provincial championships in Ottawa on March 25.

Needless to say, the GDHS team is looking forward to defending its crown as the returning Ontario provincial champions.



Members of the Georgetown High School debate team display their trophies won at the Halton-wide competition. Front, from left, Dryden Bailey, Kylie de Chastelain, Chelsea Jackson and Holly Kallmeyer. Back, from left, Jack Britton and Erik Smith.



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### NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT / PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #1

#### Transportation Master Plan to 2031 - *The Road to Change* PR-2414

#### Background

Halton Region is initiating a Transportation Master Plan – The Road to Change, to develop a sustainable, integrated transportation plan and associated strategies that consider all modes of travel (automobiles, transit, cycling, walking) to the year 2031.

#### Problem Statement

The Master Plan will provide the strategies, policies and tools required to meet the Region's transportation needs safely, effectively and cost efficiently.

#### The Process

This notice signals the commencement of the Transportation Master Plan, a study which will define existing problems/opportunities, consider and evaluate solutions, and identify an optimum transportation system to the year 2031. A key outcome of the study will be a list of transportation projects that the Region can incorporate in its 20-year Roads Capital Program. To comply with the Environmental Assessment Act, the study is being conducted in accordance with the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process (October 2000, as amended in 2007).

A key component of the study will be consultation with interested stakeholders including the public, interest groups and regulatory agencies. The study work plan provides for two rounds of Public Information Centres at four locations (one in each Local Municipality) and a Workshop. This notice advises the public of the first round of Public Information Centres.

#### Public Information Centre Locations

Municipality	Date	Time	Location
City of Burlington	Tuesday, March 23, 2010	Drop-In: 6:30 p.m. Presentation: 7:00 p.m.	Mainway Recreation Centre 4015 Mainway (Auditorium)
Town of Halton Hills	Thursday, March 25, 2010	Drop-In: 6:30 p.m. Presentation: 7:00 p.m.	Mold-Masters Sportsplex 221 Guelph Street (Hall)
Town of Milton	Tuesday, March 30, 2010	Drop-In: 6:30 p.m. Presentation: 7:00 p.m.	Milton Sports Centre 605 Santa Maria Boulevard (Banquet Room)
Town of Oakville	Wednesday, March 31, 2010	Drop-In: 6:30 p.m. Presentation: 7:00 p.m.	Halton Regional Centre 1151 Bronte Road (Gymnasium)

If you have any questions related to the study or wish to be added to the study mailing list, please contact:

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Additional information related to the study and consultation process may be obtained through the study website: [www.halton.ca/htmp](http://www.halton.ca/htmp)

This Notice first issued on March 11, 2010.

### This March, take an active and safe walk to school

Walking to school has many benefits. It increases physical activity for students. Having less traffic around schools also helps to improve student safety, not to mention air quality. Students have a chance to connect with friends and enjoy their surroundings. In 2009, Halton Region worked with the Halton District School Board (HDSB) to pilot the Active and Safe Routes to School program, encouraging students to use active transportation to travel to school. As a result of the successful pilot, the HDSB expanded the project to include 20 schools. In January 2010, the Halton Catholic District School Board committed to the participation of five of its schools in the project. Learn more at [www.halton.ca/asrts](http://www.halton.ca/asrts), [www.hdsb.ca](http://www.hdsb.ca) or [www.hcdsb.org/safe](http://www.hcdsb.org/safe).



Gary Carr  
Regional Chair

#### Halton Regional Meeting Schedule

- March 23 9:30 a.m.**  
Health & Social Services Committee
- March 24 9:30 a.m.**  
Planning & Public Works Committee
- March 24 1:30 p.m.**  
Admin & Finance Committee

Meetings can be viewed at [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca)

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