

New year offers new beginning

A new year, a new decade and a chance at a new beginning: 2011 will be a year of decision.

There are no fewer than five provincial elections expected across Canada this fall. And, with a minority government in Ottawa, a federal election is a possibility for this year as well. Ontario is scheduled to go to the polls on October 6.

What will be the outcome?

During my very first election campaign in 1990, I remember saying Bob Rae's NDP would never form the government. Learning from my mistake, I have not offered any predictions on elections since then!

Still, we can expect a vigorous public debate as the McGuinty Liberals attempt to divert attention from their record, and the opposition parties propose their alternative platforms. With every provincial election, it is said Ontario is at a crossroads. It is always true. For me, these are some of the questions that require responses in 2011:

How are we going to ensure the vitality of the economy, in a way that creates new jobs and new wealth?

How and when will we balance the budget, so that we stop adding to the already staggering provincial debt?

How can we stretch our available resources to ensure excellent health care is available to all when they need it?

How do we create a culture of continuous improvement in our schools, to prepare our students for the opportunities of the 21st Century?

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How can we make sure our seniors and disabled receive the compassionate care and support services they deserve?

How do we stabilize our hydro bills, while ensuring a reliable electricity system we can count on?

How can we reduce our collective environmental footprint?

How will we strengthen our communities?

How can we hold our elected representatives to a higher standard of accountability and integrity?

How can we restore a sense of hope that the future will be better than the present?

Our party is seeking the ideas and advice of all Ontarians as we plan for 2011 and beyond. You can participate by logging on to: www.HaveYourSayOntario.ca

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My wife Lisa and I would like to thank everyone who attended our "New Year Celebration" on Jan. 9. Watch for our upcoming "Family Skates" on Jan. 30 and Feb. 13.

—*Ted Arnott is the MPP for Wellington-Halton Hills*

JUNIOR / SENIOR KINDERGARTEN AND FULL-DAY EARLY LEARNING PROGRAM

REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2011

HALTON CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN OR SENIOR KINDERGARTEN

Advanced Registration for those children who will be attending Junior Kindergarten or Senior Kindergarten in Halton Catholic Schools in Burlington, Oakville, Milton and Halton Hills (Georgetown/Acton) will be held at all schools on:

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2011

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2011

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

AGE OF ADMISSION AND REQUIREMENTS

Junior Kindergarten

Children are required to be 4 years of age on or before December 31, 2011.

- Roman or Eastern Rite Catholic Baptismal Certificate is required.
- Proof of age is required.
- Before registration is finalized, a child will have completed the prescribed program of immunization for diphtheria, tetanus, poliomyelitis, measles, mumps and rubella. Parent(s) must provide evidence of immunization record.
- For further information or alternate registration date, please contact the principal of your nearest Catholic School.

Please Note: Children currently registered in their Catholic school's Junior Kindergarten program are not required to register for the Senior Kindergarten program. Placement in the Senior Kindergarten program will be processed by the school unless otherwise notified by the parent(s)/guardian(s).

FULL-DAY EARLY LEARNING PROGRAM

School sites offering the Full-Day Early Learning Program (FD-ELP) in September, 2011:

- Burlington – Holy Rosary, St. John and St. Patrick Schools
- Milton – Our Lady of Fatima and St. Peter & Lumen Christi Schools
- Oakville – St. James and St. Luke Schools
- Halton Hills – St. Catherine of Alexandria School (Georgetown) and St. Joseph School (Acton)
- Registration for Lumen Christi School will take place at Our Lady of Fatima School.
- Age of Admission and Requirements – same as stated above.
- Children residing within the catchment area of a selected FD-ELP site has the right to attend the full day Program at that location.
- Parents choosing to opt out of the FD-ELP can make a cross boundary application to any elementary board site providing a half-day program. (Transportation will be a parent responsibility).
- Parents requesting a FD-ELP placement outside their designated boundary should first register their child in the JK/SK program at the school in their catchment area. Parents can complete a cross-boundary application upon registration at their home school.
- Full-Day Early Learning Program sites with additional spaces will be announced in April/May and parents will be notified accordingly. A fair and equitable process will be utilized to designate the available spaces.

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