

CATHOLIC BOARD PUSHES BACK FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

The Halton Catholic District School Board has announced changes to starting dates for students as schools get ready to reopen.

• The first day of school will be delayed until Wednesday, Sept. 9.

• For secondary school students, instruction will begin on Sept. 9.

• Students in Grades 1-8 will all begin school Monday, Sept. 14, both in-class and remote learning students. However, elementary students will be eased into the new school year by coming into school in smaller groups on Sept. 9, 10 and 11.

• On Wednesday, Sept. 9, only students in Grades 1-8 with surnames beginning

with the letters A-F will come to school.

• On Thursday, Sept. 10, students in Grades 1-8 whose surnames begin with the letters G-N will come to school.

• On Friday, Sept. 11, only students in Grades 1-8 with surnames beginning with the letters O-A will come to school.

• The delay allows staff to rehearse the new health and safety protocols, as well as facilitate the set-up of learning management systems and resources for distance learning, and help alleviate some of the anxiety in students, according to the HCDSB.

• As per the board's usual practice, there will be a staggered entry for kinder-

garten students with Year 1 and 2 orientation taking place on Tuesday, Sept. 8 and Wednesday, Sept. 9. Year 2 students will begin on Thursday, Sept. 10.

Year 1 staggered entry will take place on Friday, Sept. 11 and Monday, Sept. 14. All kindergarten students will attend school beginning Tuesday, Sept. 15.

• Students in the self-contained Community Living, Essential Skills and Structured Teaching special education class in elementary schools will begin in-class instruction on Wednesday, Sept. 9.

• Secondary school students in Life Skills classes will begin in-class instruction on Tuesday, Sept. 8.

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We're reviewing the Regional Official Plan

The Regional Official Plan shapes how and where Halton grows—and your input is valuable as we make these decisions for our community! We want to hear from you about the five theme areas under review: Regional Urban Structure; Rural and Agricultural Systems; Natural Heritage; Climate Change; and the North Aldershot Planning Area.

Public Information Centres

Join us for a Public Information Centre (PIC) online or by phone for each of the five theme areas:

- **Climate Change:** Thurs., Sept. 3, 2020 | 7 p.m.
- **North Aldershot Planning Area:** Wed., Sept. 9, 2020 | 7 p.m.
- **Regional Urban Structure:** Thurs., Sept. 10, 2020 | 7 p.m.
- **Rural and Agricultural System & Natural Heritage System** (combined PIC): Thurs., Sept. 17, 2020 | 7 p.m.

Get involved and have your say

Visit halton.ca/ropr, call 311 or email ropr@halton.ca to:

- read discussion papers and summary pages on the theme areas under review;
- get more information on how to join a Public Information Centre online or by phone;
- provide input through our online questionnaires;
- sign up to receive updates by email on the review process; or
- connect with a member of the project team.

Thank you for taking part in our Regional Official Plan Review.

Meetings at Halton Region

Regional Council meetings are taking place through web conferencing until further notice.



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