

HAVE YOUR SAY ON FUTURE OF PUBLIC EDUCATION

How can Ontario's public education system be reimagined?

Now is your chance to share those ideas you've been mulling over during the last couple of years of pandemic-induced disruptions within education.

"As we emerge from the pandemic, we've got a fantastic opportunity to think about how we can do things differently in public education," said Tracey Ehl Harrison, vice chair of the Halton District School Board as she introduced trustees' ReImagine Forward project at the April 20 board meet-

ing.

The initiative is a grass-roots project to uncover and shine a light on the positives, to seek change and grow momentum, she said.

"It's an open invitation to students, staff, families and all supporters of the Halton District School Board and beyond. We're asking you to lend us your positive education experiences and your imagination."

ReImagine Forward launched Friday, April 22 at engagehdsb.ca and will remain open until May 23, 2022.

Results will be shared

with the community, as well as the ministry of education and provincial organizations.

"Hopefully, it will be a good counterbalance to the stress, the challenge, the oppositions, the unhealthy that we've experienced over the last couple of years; put us on a different trajectory," said Ehl Harrison.

Participants will need to register so trustees can determine where information is coming from, added Burlington trustee Andrea Grebenc.

"We all have ideas on education, how to make it better, how to envision a future for education and we want to hear from everybody — students, parents, community members, industry," said Grebenc.

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Q: How old would you say children should be for their first dental exam? Five or Six? In years past, it was rare for a child to see a dentist before five or six years old. Would most dentists agree that is too long to wait?

A: Today, most dentists recommend the first dental exam to be scheduled around the age of two. Because not all the teeth are present, this visit is mostly a consultation. Parents can ask questions about their child's teeth. The dentist can also show how to best clean the infant's teeth and advise the parents on the best dietary habits for their child's optimum development. This visit also helps the child to realize the dental office isn't something fear. As the child gets older, it is important that the parents not discuss their own negative experiences with dentists. Questions should be answered truthfully and with a positive attitude. Modern day dentistry is much better than when we were children. Keeping your children's teeth healthy begins with timely visits to your dentist.



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Spring Compost Giveaway

Halton residents are invited to attend the Spring Compost Giveaway happening May 9–15 as a thank you for helping divert approximately 30,000 tonnes of yard waste last year. During the event, Halton residents can take up to the equivalent of seven bags of compost per household.

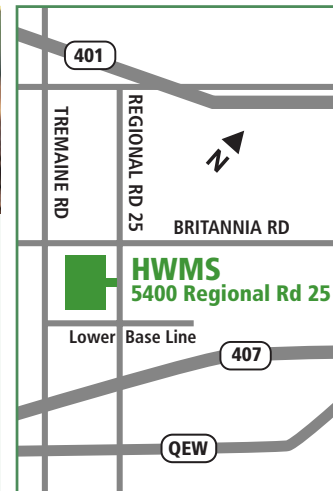


When:

- May 9 to 14, 2022 | 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- May 15, 2022 | 8 a.m. to noon

Where: Halton Waste Management Site, 5400 Regional Road 25, Milton

Who: This event is open to residents of Burlington, Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville. Visitors may be asked for proof of residency.



Remember to bring:



- Up to seven of your own bags or containers



- A shovel to bag your compost

COVID-19 safety measures:

- Cars will be spaced and residents are asked to maintain physical distancing.
- Staff will not be accepting cash or food donations. Please consider donating to your local food bank.
- Please self-screen for any COVID-19 symptoms. If you're feeling unwell, please stay at home.

Gardening tip:

When applying compost to your garden, blend it with topsoil or another gardening fill. For best results, apply 60 per cent topsoil and 40 per cent compost.

For more information, visit halton.ca/waste or call 311.



Thank you to our doctors!

It's Halton's annual Physician Appreciation Week, and I would like to thank our community's physicians for their many contributions to resident health and well-being. Our doctors have played an essential role during the pandemic. From promoting the COVID-19 vaccine, providing treatment and support to those with COVID-19 to continuing regular high quality care—on behalf of the community, thank you for your tireless efforts and dedication during this time.

If you are looking for a family doctor in Halton, please visit the Physicians Accepting New Patients page on halton.ca to find a local practice near you. We update the page regularly as more doctors call Halton home!



Gary Carr Regional Chair

Meetings at Halton Region

Regional Council meetings are taking place through web conferencing until further notice. Videos will be posted to halton.ca.



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