



JOHN SNOBELEN

# Education minister speaks to Halton North PCs

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Minister of Education and Training John Snobelen was guest speaker at the Halton North Progressive Conservative Party's annual meeting October 26, but he didn't talk about education.

Snobelen, who lives on the Eighth Line in Halton Hills, praised his government and the leadership of Premier Mike Harris.

The education minister spoke about the deficit, which he said is even worse than the Conservatives first thought.

"If our party and our government were to just carry on in the normal way... we would come to the people of

Ontario in 2000 and say, social services, education. Pick one," he said. "We are not making hard choices now, but four years from now we would be."

He praised Premier Mike Harris and his leadership abilities. Snobelen said after Harris failed in his attempt to be Premier in 1990 he spent six months to a year developing the values and principles of the party and then asked other Ontarians to match those with policies. These were released a year

before the election, he noted.

Snobelen said his party and his government have a very clear vision and are carrying through on their election promises without fail. He noted how the party has changed since the days of former Tory Premier Bill Davis, when the challenge faced by ministries was how to spend the money in the budget.

Snobelen represents the riding of Mississauga North, since that is where his business is located.

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The ceremony took place at the Halton Region's Skyway Wastewater Treatment Plant at 1125 Lakeshore Road in the City of Burlington.

Halton Council approved a generous financial commitment of \$300,000 to be paid over three years to this important

environmental improvement project in the Great Lakes.

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