

# Public school board cuts five executive positions

Outcome-based learning and areas to feel the budget axe as York Region's public school board chips

away at its costs. So far, its budget committee has trimmed \$18.1 million. Even so, it must cut \$5.9 million more to reach its target of \$512 million.

Yesterday, the board announced that five vacant supervisory positions will not be filled this year, bringing the number of directors and superintendents down to 17.

One position was left vacant by a death, the other four by supervisors retiring. These include Bev Stewart and Bob McCulloch, two of the three superintendents of schools who oversee the local area.

Savings from this decision will be

\$300,000 this year and \$550,000 in 1997, the board said.

The committee voted this week to slash nearly \$1 million, or about 15 per cent, from its curriculum and instructional services budget. This item includes money for OBL, a major board initiative reduced in its funding by 53 per cent. This was done by reducing the costs of supply teachers during training, spending less on printing and reducing the number of OBL demonstration classes from four to one, a spokesperson for the board said.

-Mike Adler

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## StatsCan-eye view of town, residents

(From page 1) dwellings in Whitchurch-Stouffville. Of those, 4,720 homes are owned, while 1,330 are rented dwellings.

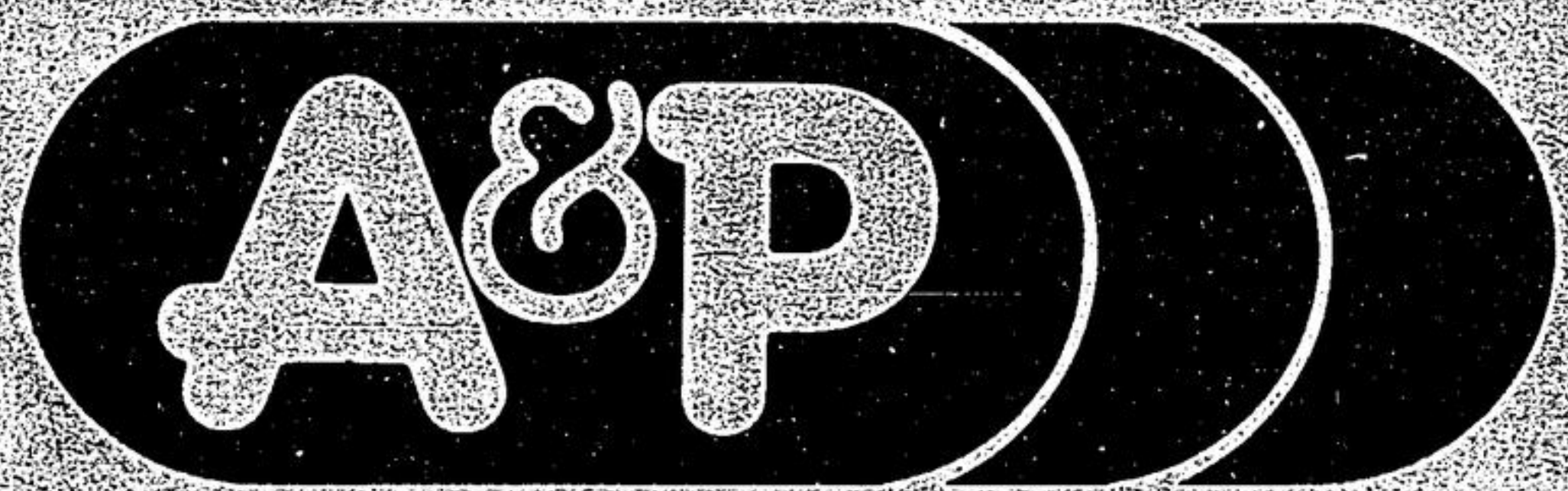
The average family in Whitchurch-Stouffville has 3.2 people which is slightly below the national average.

Stats Canada reported that, at last count, there

were 360 single parent families in Whitchurch-Stouffville. Of those, 265 are lead by women, while 100 are male-lead.

In today's turbulent economy, young adults are slower to leave the nest. Those in Whitchurch-Stouffville are no exception. Figures show that 1,660

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