

# Third Catholic school ready for fall

Stouffville's third Catholic elementary school is slated to open in September.

The two-storey yet-to-be-named school will be on the northeast corner of Hoover Park Drive and Ninth Line. It will have 24 classrooms, which includes four for kindergarten, according to the Nov. 15 report to council by Catherine Kerr, planner, urban design for the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville.

The school will also have a large library resource centre and double gym.

The elementary school will have a total capacity of 551 students, according to the report.

However, it is currently unknown how many students are expected to be enrolled in its first year of operation as the boundaries are

not yet set, according to Gillian Lavery, communications officer with the York Catholic District School Board.

"The school was approved by the Ministry of Education because there is great interest in the community for a Catholic elementary school and we expect our enrolment numbers to be robust when the school opens," she said.

"The proposed school is intended to intercept Catholic students that are within the catchment area to the south of Main Street in the community of Stouffville," Ms Kerr wrote in her report to council.

Stouffville's other Catholic schools are St. Mark and St. Brigid.

- Sandra Bolan

## Check out draft of York's 40-year plan

A draft of Vision 2051, a chronicle of what you want York Region to be like in 40 years, has been endorsed by York Regional council.

Council has recommended the document be circulated for further comment and input.

The draft was developed through extensive internal and external consultation, including input from politicians, residents, stakeholders, partners and staff through discussion sessions and an Internet consultation program.

There is time to share your ideas and incorporate them into this important document that charts what York Region residents and stakeholders want to see the region become over the next four decades, York Region chairperson Bill Fisch said.

The draft takes into account emerging

trends and issues, incorporating significant regional policies and initiatives during the past 10 years.

"Over the coming years, our communities will face a range of issues that could have major impacts on our lives," Newmarket Regional Councillor and region planning committee chairperson John Taylor said.

How the region approaches issues such as community design, climate change, transportation, waste management, demographic changes, economic vitality, housing demands and the human service needs of our population is critical to sustaining our quality of life over the long term, he added.

After a review with internal and public stakeholders, a final Vision 2051 document will be presented to regional council early in 2012.

View the draft at [york.ca](http://york.ca) or call 905-830-4444, ext. 1532 for more information.

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