# Trustee Amanda Fehrman Wards 11 & 12 Newsletter



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# **Last Day of Classes:**

Tuesday, June 20 - Secondary Wednesday, June 28 - Elementary

Click here for 2023 Continuing Education Summer Programs

Hello Wards 11 & 12,

I would like to start by sending congratulations to the Class of 2023. I am looking forward to attending many Commencement events this month and celebrating all our students! Not only will I celebrate students as a trustee, but I also will experience this as a parent this year as well.

Over the past while I have attended numerous school Open Houses it afforded me the opportunity to have great conversations with families to hear your ideas and concerns.

I also welcomed MPP Donna Skelly for a visit to Bellmoore Elementary in May as part of an initiative to "Take Your MPP to School". Working together we can make things better for all students.

As a member of the Governance committee, we have been working hard on the Strategic Directions. Trustees in partnership with Executive Council will have attended a workshop by the time you read this, focusing on what we have heard so far and working on the future together.

I'm so proud to see all the great work of the students and staff as I have been invited to attend different events at all the schools I represent.

Congratulations to Spring Valley Junior Girls and Boys Basketball teams for winning their respective championships!

Also, congratulations to the Ancaster High band who competed in a prestigious event in Niagara Falls recently receiving both a Silver and Gold.

As the school year comes to a close, take time to enjoy the summer months with your families!

Sincerely,

Amanda Fehrman



# **School Renewal Updates**

Ancaster High Secondary – Parking Lot Paving, Hospitality & Tourism Program Renovation, Cafeteria Renovation, Washroom & Changeroom Renovation



Binbrook II - new 615 pp K-8 elementary school

**Michäelle Jean Elementary** - Gym, Corridor Ceiling, Washroom Renovations; Window & Door Replacement

HWDSB staff continue to await the release of the property and to initiate the purchase the land from the developer. We appreciate everyone's patience as this is a lengthy process. An update to families will be shared at the next confirmed stage in the project.

#### Summer Events in the Ward

#### **Animal Walks**

Triple C Farm 500 Carluke Road West Various dates

# The Heritage Walking Tour

Ancaster Village 314 Wilson Street Various dates

### Farm Crawl Hamilton

Choose the farms you want to visit! Various Locations June 24 and July 29, 2023 from 10:00am - 4:00pm

#### Vintage Wheels & Wings

Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum 9280 Airport Rd



Sharing News about Board of Trustee work and activities is important to keep you informed!

**Strategic Planning:** Surveys, pop-ups, workshops and more! Trustees are active generating engagement and input into HWDSB's Strategic Directions. Trustees will move to the validate

stage as they approved the new Multi-Year Strategic Plan. Learn more www.hwdsb.on.ca/pathforward

**Naming of Schools Policy:** Trustees have approved an updated Naming of Schools policy, adopting the community's recommendation to end the practice of naming schools after notable individuals. Future school names will instead focus on school locations, landmarks and natural features and will reflect the Board's mission, vision and values.

**School Year Calendar:** The School Year Calendar for 2023-2024 has been approved by the Ministry of Education and is posted on the School Year Calendar page. <a href="https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/about/school-year-calendar/">https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/about/school-year-calendar/</a>

**Student Trustee Elections**: Student Trustees for the 2023-24 school year include Harry Wang of Westmount Secondary School and Thomas Lin of Ancaster High Secondary School. Trustees thank our outgoing Student Trustees, Aisha Mahmoud and Gloria Li, for their work to serve students and support student-centred decision making at the Board.

