

Trustee Kathy Archer

Wards 6 & 9 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 families and staff of Wards 6 & 9,

It's hard to believe that it's now June and the end of the school year is almost here. It's been great being able to visit your schools and see, firsthand, how students and staff have been doing.

There has been lots of activity in our schools, including Family Literacy Night at C.B. Stirling, Middle School Basketball Day at Saltfleet, and Kindergarten Open House events across Wards 6 & 9. I enjoy seeing our school communities being active, staying engaged and having fun. As schools prepare for commencement, I look forward to joining in and celebrating your academic achievements.

At Board Meetings, Trustees are having important discussions about HWDSB's strategic directions and how to best support student learning, achievement, positive culture and well-being, and more. Trustees are supporting their respective wards, advocating for students, staff and families in their schools.

I'm looking forward to the summer holidays, as I'm sure you all are, too. I wish you all a restful and enjoyable summer holiday and look forward to visiting your schools again in the coming school year.

Thank you,

Kathy Archer

School Renewal Updates



C.B. Stirling Elementary – Roof replacement

Janet Lee Elementary – Gym, corridor ceilings, music, art, science, learning commons & washroom renovation; parking lot paving

Mount Albion Elementary – Window replacement

New Nash – New 650 pp K-8 elementary school with 3 room child care

Sherwood Secondary – Dust collector revitalization, secondary school revitalization, parking lot paving, sports field renovation

Summer Events in the Ward

[Hamilton Cardinals](#)

Bernie Arbour Memorial Stadium
1100 Mohawk Road E
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

[Storytelling With Ozobots](#)

Hamilton Public Library Sherwood Branch
467 Upper Ottawa Street
June 2, 2023 from 10:00am – 11:00am

[Concrete Canvas Art Festival](#)

Various locations
August 11-13, 2023
10:00am-10:00pm



Board Highlights

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. <https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/about/school-year-calendar/>

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.