

# Trustee Ray Mulholland Ward 4 Newsletter



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Hello families and staff of Ward 4,

We've had a great start to 2023, and it has been wonderful to hear about the different activities happening at each of my schools.

It's also been a pleasure to attend Board Meetings, where important discussions about student learning and achievement, positive culture and well-being, and more are taking place. Trustees continue to advocate for all students, staff, and families in their respective wards.

I look forward to scheduling school visits over the next few months to see, firsthand, how our students and staff are doing.

Please reach out anytime if you have questions or comments.

Thank you,

Ray

## School Renewal Updates

**AM Cunningham Elementary** – An exterior door replacement project is planned for summer 2023.

**Sir Winston Churchill Secondary** – Stairwell and cafeteria renovations are complete. The washroom renovation is in construction, with planned completion for June 2023. A changeroom renovation is also intended to be completed over summer 2023.

**Viscount Montgomery Elementary** – Gym and corridor ceiling renovation. The project is in final design stages, with building permit to be submitted for beginning of March. The gym renovation includes new flooring, painting, lights, and RTU replacement.

**WH Ballard Elementary** – New boiler and heating system has been installed. Replacement of roof top units and completion of new ceilings and LED lights in corridors to be completed over summer 2023.



## March Break in the Ward

### [Art Gallery of Hamilton March Break Camp](#)

March 13 - 17, 9 – 4 p.m.

Art Gallery of Hamilton

123 King St W, Hamilton

### [Hamilton Public Library](#)

Various activities

Various dates and locations

Visit <https://www.hpl.ca/> to learn more

### [Hamilton Bulldogs v. Ottawa 67's](#)

March 12 at 2 p.m.

First Ontario Centre

101 York Blvd, Hamilton

### [Frogs! A Ribbiting Exhibit](#)

January 20 – April 16

RBG Centre

680 Plains Rd W, Burlington



Sharing news about Board of Trustee work and activities is important to keeping you informed!

### **Emphasis on Human Rights**

At HWDSB, we believe that all students need to be safe, supported, and included in schools. Trustees passed a collection of policies that support this direction. Policies approved include the [Human Rights Policy](#), [Anti-Black Racism Policy](#), [Whistleblower Policy](#), and [Bullying Prevention and Intervention Policy](#).

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### **School Environments**

Indoor and outdoor school environments are important to student learning and well-being. Trustees have approved investments that will support students during severe weather.

- **Snow Clearing:** In response to feedback from families and staff, the Board of Trustees approved the removal of snow from sections of blacktop areas. This change will improve student safety and increase accessibility for students with mobility challenges during snowy or icy conditions.
- **High Heat/Humidity:** Trustees approved the investment in new monitoring units that allow measurement of indoor school conditions when there is extreme heat with high humidity. Schools have plans to reduce activities and provide access to cooler spaces when needed. In extreme circumstances, severe heat and humidity in a school may result in a school closure under the Inclement Weather Policy.

### **Strategic Directions**

Trustees are preparing to set a renewed vision and focus for HWDSB to best serve students and school communities now and in the future. We will be seeking your input on HWDSB's strategic directions in the coming months. We are excited to set new priorities, and look forward to hearing from students, staff, families, and the community this spring. Please watch for further information.