

New Northglen Neighbourhood School – Community Update

November 2024



We continue to be excited about the new Northglen neighbourhood school that will help support our growing student population in the Clarington area!

Located in the Northglen neighbourhood, the new school will have space for 769 students, from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8, as well as a four-room childcare centre.

Confirmed School Boundaries

We continue to move forward with implementation of the approved boundaries for the new Northglen neighbourhood school. The new school will open as a JK-Grade 7 school in September 2025 and then become JK-Grade 8 during its second year of operation.

The <u>Clarington Accommodation Planning web page</u> has an interactive map illustrating the new school attendance area/boundary. Families within the new boundaries have received confirmation letters through email, with specific details.

- The boundary line between Charles Bowman PS and the new Northglen neighbourhood school will be Concession 3.
- Students who are attending Harold Longworth PS as a holding school, will attend the new Northglen neighbourhood school.
- An undeveloped area north of the existing Brookhill neighbourhood and the portion of the Brookhill neighbourhood east of Green Road will attend the new Northglen neighbourhood school.

These boundaries take effect with the opening of the new school, which is planned for September 2025. As a result of the new school boundaries, which will relieve space pressures in nearby schools, there will be some additional adjustments:

- Clarington Central Intermediate School will be dissolved. Students currently in Grade 7
 will remain at Clarington Intermediate for Grade 8. Going forward, students will attend
 intermediate grades in their home schools.
- Charles Bowman PS will become JK-Grade 7 in 2025, and JK-Grade 8 in 2026.

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Boundary changes in other nearby schools were also needed to address space limitation challenges and overcrowding. Families living in areas affected by boundary adjustments between Dr. Ross Tilley PS and Lydia Trull PS, and boundary adjustments between Vincent Massey PS and Harold Longworth PS, can also confirm their school boundary through the online interactive map. New registrations will be impacted by the changes while existing students affected by these specific boundary changes have been contacted directly and will have a choice whether to stay at their current school or change schools.

More information about the boundary consultation process, and the interactive boundary map, is available on the Clarington Accommodation planning section of the Board website.

School Principal

We are pleased to announce that the principal of KPR's newest school will be Nicholas Shea. Mr. Shea is currently principal at Clarington Intermediate School and was previously principal at Vincent Massey Public School. He is looking forward to supporting the transition to the new school for students, staff and families, and participating in upcoming community building activities, such as the school naming.

School Construction Update

Construction at the new school site is underway and progressing well. The second-floor structural steel framework of the building is complete; concrete block walls have been installed on top of the concrete main floor and the second-floor core slab is ready to be installed, marking a significant milestone in the building's structural development. Next steps include asphalt on the site by the end of November, and steel pan for the roof by the end of December.

Site services have been installed, including the underground stormwater management system. This essential infrastructure work will ensure proper drainage and environmental protection for the site and surrounding areas.

The construction of the school remains on track. Facilities Services staff at the school board continue to monitor progress closely to ensure that the highest standards of quality and safety are maintained.

School Naming Committee

A school naming committee is being established to coordinate suggestions for the naming of the new school. Representatives from the local schools that will form the Northglen population will be part of the committee. Naming submissions will be accepted from students, staff, families and community members.

Watch for more information coming soon about how to share your school naming suggestions!