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Town of Halton Hills Profile

Area Overview

As of 2022/2023, the Town of Halton Hills has 13 elementary schools and two secondary schools. Included in the two secondary schools is one Grade 7-12 school (Acton District HS). Halton Hills has a range of communities (mature, established, new, rural) with varying levels of student enrolment. Eight of the 13 elementary schools are K-5 or K-6 schools, which limits the ability to deliver certain programs that combine junior and intermediate levels.

The majority of students and growth are located within the two urban areas of Halton Hills, Georgetown and Acton. These urban areas contain mature communities with stable student enrolment, combined with new communities that continue to witness student growth, such as South Georgetown. Halton Hills contains a large rural community, containing a number of hamlets such as Glen Williams, Limehouse and Norval. The rural area contains established communities with stable student enrolment. Student growth is generated through new greenfield and infill development.

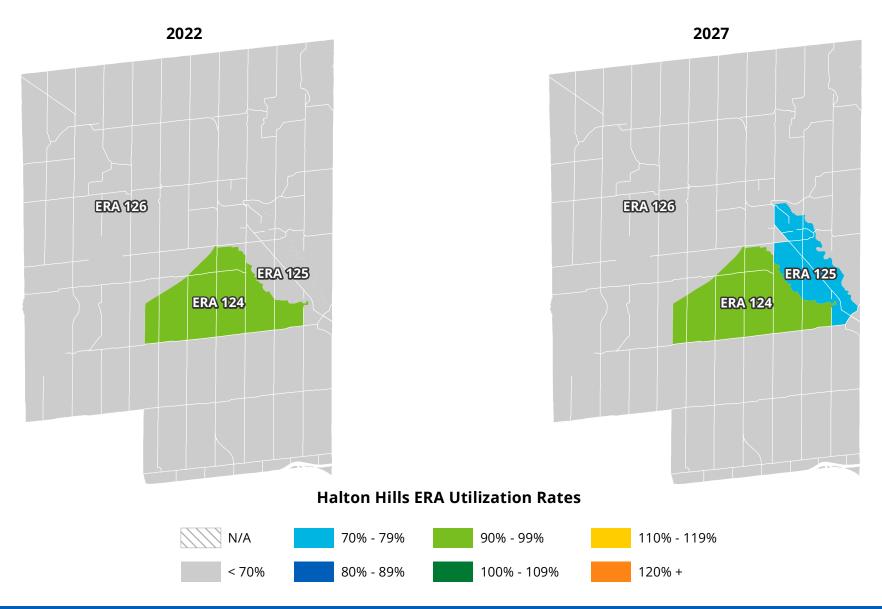
Development in Halton Hills is characterized primarily by the intensification of existing urban areas with higher density developments and with greenfield developments within planned urban expansion lands. Halton Hills has a number of planned large-scale plans/developments that will contribute to student growth (see page 348), which include: Vision Georgetown Secondary Plan (ERA 124), which is currently under appeal, and is being mediated at the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT);, Southeast Georgetown Secondary Plan (ERA 125); and Stewarttown Secondary Plan (ERA 124). There are a number of designated infill growth areas that will contribute to student growth once applications are submitted to the Town and circulated: Acton GO Major Transit Station Area (MTSA) (ERA 126), Georgetown GO MTSA (ERA 125), regional nodes of Downtown Georgetown (ERA 126) and Guelph Street Corridor (ERA 125).

The Board currently owns one elementary school site, Georgetown S #3 PS (ERA 124), which is not Ministry funded. The Board has identified an additional three elementary schools and one secondary school in the VIsion Georgetown Secondary Plan (ERA 124, SRA 107).

Elementary Review Area (ERA) Utilization Progression

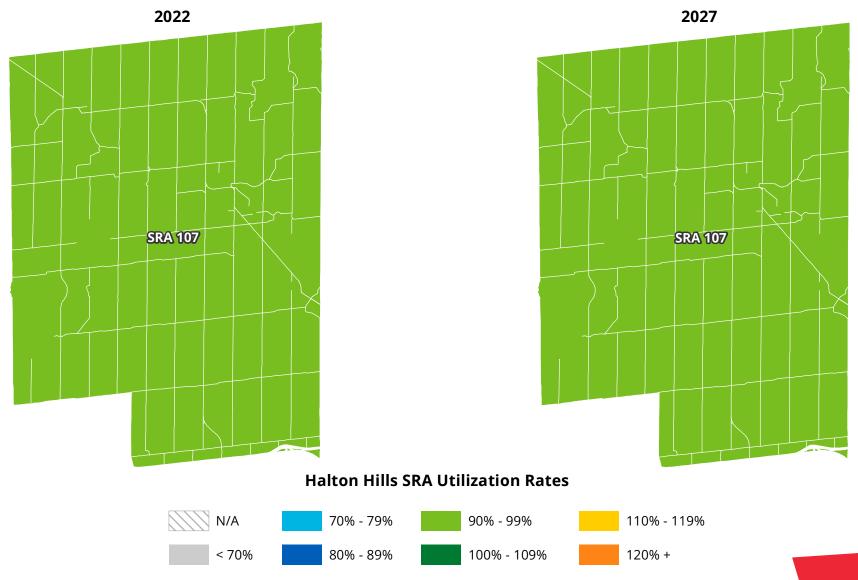
The figure below shows the current utilization in Halton Hills Elementary Review Areas, as well as the projected utilization in five years (2026/2027). In the next five years, Halton Hills' elementary panel is projected to increase from 3,894 to 3,962 students representing an increase of 1%. School utilization will increase from 72% to 73%.

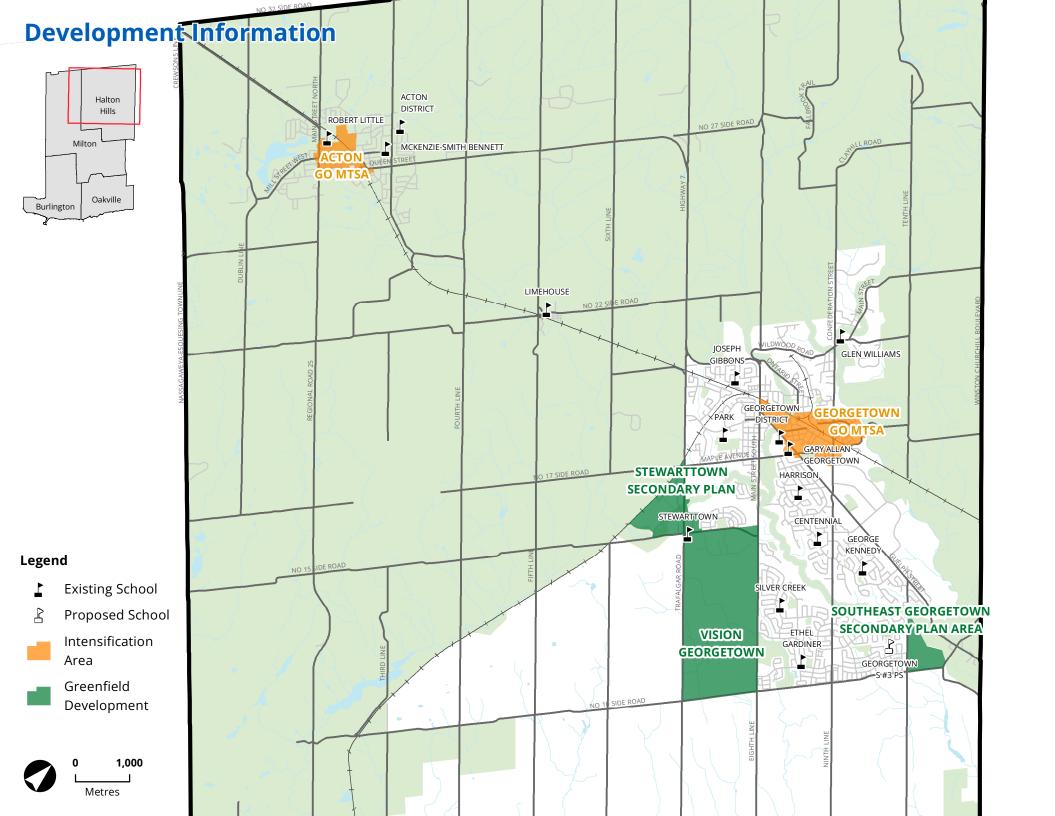
Note: Grade 7 and 8 students at Acton District HS are included in the secondary projections.



Secondary Review Area (SRA) Utilization Progression

The figure below shows the current utilization in Halton Hills Secondary Review Areas, as well as the projected utilization in five years (2027/2028). In the next five years, Halton Hills' secondary panel is projected to decrease from 2,023 to 1,915 students representing a decrease of 5%. School utilization will decrease from 92% to 90%. Utilization will decrease with the implementation of the proposed loading increase of 23 students to one teacher by the Ministry of Education to secondary classrooms.

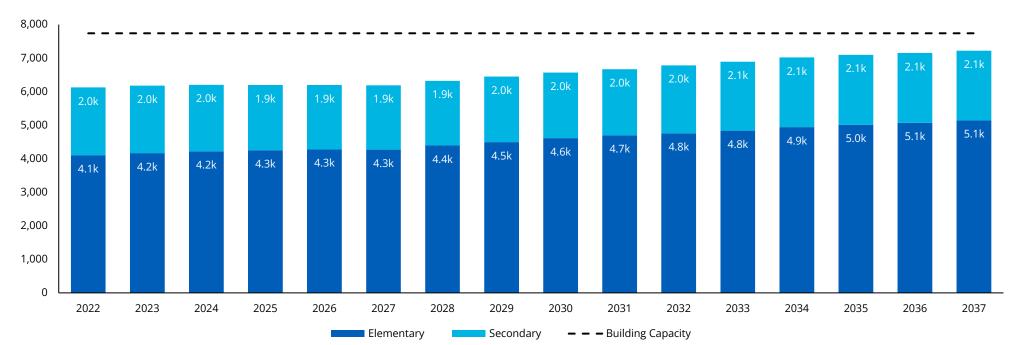




Enrolment Overview

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|--------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------|--------|-------------|-------|-------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| School | Building | Building Current Max Total | | Current | Interm | ediate | Medium Term | | | Long Term | | | | | | | | | | |
| SCHOOL | Capacity | Portables | Portables | Capacity | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 | 2031 | 2032 | 2033 | 2034 | 2035 | 2036 | 2037 |
| | 5,617 | 10 | 99 | 7,894 | 4,104 | 4,169 | 4,221 | 4,254 | 4,279 | 4,273 | 4,398 | 4,498 | 4,613 | 4,701 | 4,759 | 4,837 | 4,943 | 5,014 | 5,072 | 5,144 |
| Elementary | Percent Utilization | | | | 72% | 71% | 71% | 72% | 72% | 73% | 74% | 75% | 78% | 80% | 82% | 85% | 87% | 90% | 92% | 94% |
| Elementary | Available classrooms (+/-) | | | | 66 | 63 | 61 | 59 | 58 | 58 | 53 | 49 | 44 | 40 | 37 | 34 | 29 | 26 | 24 | 21 |
| | Available Pupil Places (+/-) | | | | 1,513 | 1,449 | 1,396 | 1,363 | 1,338 | 1,344 | 1,220 | 1,119 | 1,004 | 916 | 858 | 780 | 674 | 603 | 545 | 473 |
| | 2,124 | 0 | 9 | 2,313 | 2,023 | 2,010 | 1,982 | 1,947 | 1,918 | 1,915 | 1,925 | 1,952 | 1,955 | 1,968 | 2,026 | 2,054 | 2,077 | 2,083 | 2,082 | 2,080 |
| Secondary | Percent Utilization | | | | 92% | 94% | 93% | 92% | 91% | 90% | 90% | 90% | 90% | 91% | 91% | 92% | 93% | 95% | 96% | 97% |
| Secondary | Available classrooms (+/-) | | | | 5 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| | | | Available Pup | il Places (+/-) | 101 | 114 | 142 | 177 | 206 | 209 | 199 | 172 | 169 | 156 | 98 | 70 | 47 | 41 | 42 | 44 |
| | 7,741 | 10 | 108 | 10,207 | 6,127 | 6,179 | 6,203 | 6,201 | 6,197 | 6,188 | 6,322 | 6,450 | 6,568 | 6,669 | 6,785 | 6,891 | 7,020 | 7,098 | 7,154 | 7,223 |
| Halton Hills | | | Perce | nt Utilization | 78% | 78% | 78% | 78% | 78% | 78% | 79% | 80% | 81% | 83% | 85% | 87% | 89% | 91% | 93% | 95% |
| Total | | | Available clas | ssrooms (+/-) | 71 | 68 | 67 | 68 | 68 | 68 | 63 | 57 | 52 | 47 | 42 | 37 | 32 | 28 | 26 | 23 |
| | | | Available Pup | il Places (+/-) | 1,614 | 1,563 | 1,538 | 1,540 | 1,544 | 1,553 | 1,419 | 1,291 | 1,173 | 1,072 | 956 | 850 | 721 | 644 | 587 | 518 |

Within the 15-year period, the number of available elementary pupil places decreases from 1,513 to 473. With the average Halton Hills elementary school having the capacity of 414 students, this is the equivalent of decreasing from four empty elementary schools to approximately one empty elementary school. The number of secondary pupil places decreases from 101 to 44. With the average Halton Hills secondary school having the capacity of 1,166 students, this is the equivalent of zero empty secondary schools. The number of available secondary classrooms will increase with the implementation of the proposed loading increase of 23 students to one teacher by the Ministry of Education to secondary classrooms.





Halton Hills Facilities Overview

The Town of Halton Hills has a total of 14 elementary and 2 secondary schools, ranging from 15 to 73 years of age with a median age of 63 years. Renewal needs are comparatively higher than the Board Facility Condition Index (FCI) average of 15% for elementary schools and 12% for secondary schools when compared to the. the municipal average of 15.3% and 25.8% for the elementary and secondary panels, respectively.

The age of the facilities are significantly higher than the Board average of 45 and 44 years for elementary and secondary panels compared to the municipal averages of 57 and 59 years for elementary and secondary panels, respectively.

There are a total of two schools, or 13% of all schools town wide that are 20 years of age or younger. The majority of schools were built during a time that centered around a middle school model (K-5/6 and 6/7-8), as opposed to the K-8 model most prevalent in newer builds.

Given the age of the schools and the learning model of the time, school capacity in the Town of Halton Hills, averaged at 401 pupil places, is relatively smaller than the Board elementary school average of 535 pupil places, and well below the most recent build size ranging from 701-799 pupil places. Moreover, of the 13 elementary school facilities, 7 are under 350 pupil places in size. Another limitation with the K-5 schools in this area, is the limited ability to adequately accommodate the curriculum needs of the intermediate students in grades 7-8. Of note with the elementary panel, although school capacity is smaller compared to the Board average, site sizes are significantly higher at 6.8 acres (2.8ha) in size, which is comparable to property sizes of the Board's newer schools.

The secondary schools have an average of 1,062 pupil places. However, of the two secondary school facilities when compared to the facility size of 1,200 for new secondary school facilities, Georgetown District High School is significantly higher, at 1,683 pupil places and Acton District High School is significantly lower at 441 pupil places.

There are also a total of 35 elementary additions and 8 secondary school additions all located at Georgetown District High School. The additions were built to accommodate classroom and school needs over time and were primarily concentrated within the older areas of the Town. The construction of multiple additions over time can result in challenges of consistent building systems throughout the school, which may impact efficiencies and accessibility standards.

Municipal School Statistics & Facility Condition Index by School

Elementary School Statistics

Building under 20 years of age: 2

Average age: 57 years

Average FCI: 15.3% (FAIR)

Average OTG Capacity: 401 pupil places

Average GFA: 3,919 square meters

Average Hectares/Acreage: 2.7 ha / 6.7 ac

Secondary School Statistics

Building under 20 years of age: 0

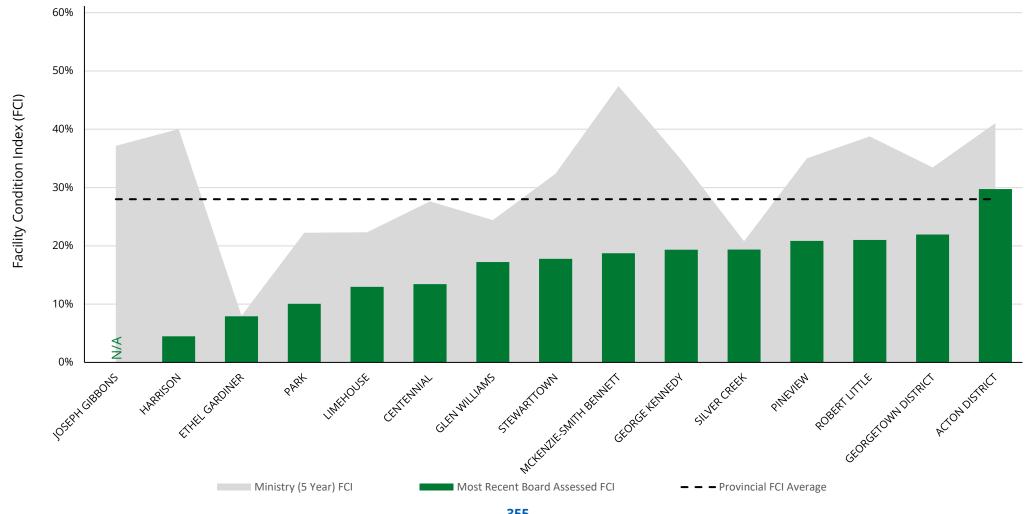
Average age: 60 years

Average FCI: 25.8% (FAIR)

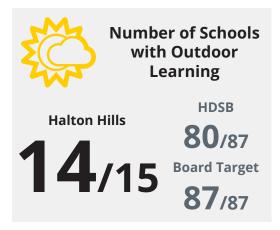
Average OTG Capacity: 1,062 pupil places

14,062 square meters Average GFA:

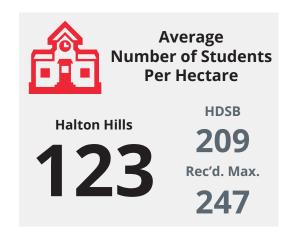
Average Hectares/Acreage: 7.8 ha / 19.2 ac



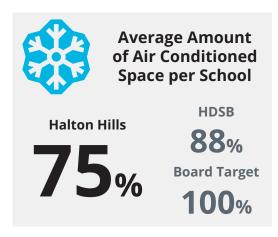
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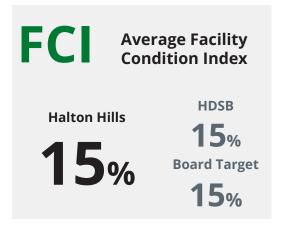




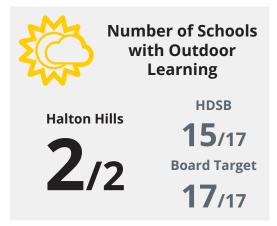




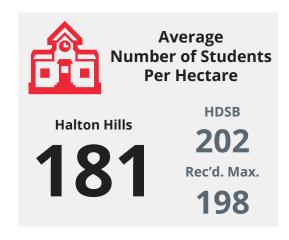


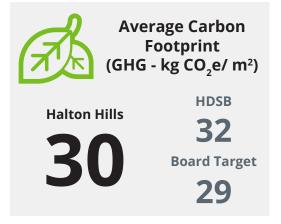


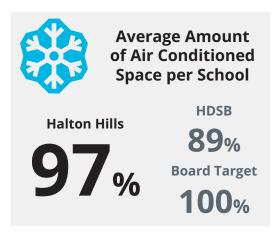
Secondary Panel Key Facility Performance Indicators

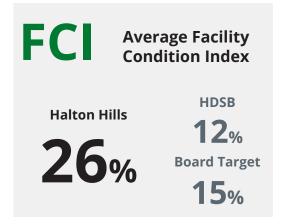












Municipal Project Summary for Boundary Reviews, Studies, and Funding Requests

| PROJECT DESCRIPTION PROJECT TYPE TARGET SCHOOL YEAR |
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Medium Term (2025-2027 Years)

Vision Georgetown #1 PS New School

Issue: To accommodate new development in Vision Georgetown secondary plan. Proposed Action: Submit a business case to the Ministry of Education for Capital Priorities Program funding. If funded, a boundary review will be initiated.

Halton Hills School Program Delivery Review

Issue: Declining students enrolment and building utilization at existing K-5 schools. Explore options to increase building utilization by converting to K-6 schools.

Proposed Action: Initiate a Program and Accommodation Review to explore program delivery options.

Georgetown S #3 PS New School

Issue: To accommodate new development in Vision Georgetown secondary plan.

Proposed Action: Submit a business case to submit to the Ministry of Education for Capital Priorities Program funding. If funded, a boundary review will be initiated.

Limehouse PS Surplus Space Consolidation

Issue: Declining student enrolment and building utilization (<60% utilization).

Proposed Action: Initiate a feasibility study to reduce surplus space and find alternative uses that align with community needs.

McKenzie-Smith Bennett PS Surplus Space Consolidation

Issue: Declining student enrolment and building utilization (<50% utilization).

Proposed Action: Initiate a feasibility study to reduce surplus space and find alternative uses that align with community needs. Reduce excess pupil places by right-sizing/consolidating empty classrooms; Create business cases to submit to the Ministry of Education for Capital Priorities Program funding.

Capital Priorities Program Funding

Program and Accommodation Review (Feasibility)

TBD (Event Based)

2025/2026

Capital Priorities Program Funding

TBD (Event Based)

TBD (Event Based)

Surplus Space Consolidation, Capital Priorities Program

Funding

Surplus Space Consolidation, Capital Priorities Program Funding TBD (Event Based)

Municipal Project Summary

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

PROJECT TYPE

TARGET SCHOOL YEAR

Long Term (2028+)

Vision Georgetown #2 PS New School

Issue: To accommodate new development in Vision Georgetown secondary plan.

Proposed Action: Submit a business case to the Ministry of Education for Capital Priorities Program funding. If funded, a boundary review will be initiated.

Capital Priorities Program Funding

2028/2029

Halton Hills Elementary Program and Accommodation Review

Issue: Declining student enrolment and building utilization (<70% utilization) at a number of schools in ERAs 124, 125 and 126.

Proposed Action: Initiate a Program and Accommodation Review should feasibility study be unsuccessful.

Program and Accommodation Review (Feasibility)

Unknown (Moratorium)

Vision Georgetown #3 PS New School

Issue: To accommodate new development in Vision Georgetown secondary plan.

Proposed Action: Submit a business case to the Ministry of Education for Capital Priorities Program funding. If funded, a boundary review will be initiated.

Capital Priorities Program Funding

TBD (Event Based)

Vision Georgetown #1 HS New School

Issue: A new secondary school is required to accommodate the development of the Vision Georgetown secondary plan.

Proposed Action: Submit a business case to submit to the Ministry of Education for Capital Priorities Program funding. If funded, a boundary review will be initiated.

Capital Priorities Program Funding

TBD (Event Based)