

## **Northglen Orchard Public School Update**

June 26, 2025



We continue to be excited about the new Northglen Orchard Public School (PS) that will help support our growing student population in the Clarington area, with space for 769 students, from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8, as well as a four-room childcare centre.

### **Colours and Mascot Survey**

Clarington area students, staff, families and community members can still suggest school colours and mascot ideas for Northglen Orchard PS, until end of day July 7th. This information will be used to help inform collaborative conversations with students, staff and families this fall.

A survey link is available on the Northglen Orchard web page.

### **Class Information for September**

Class and teacher information for Northglen Orchard PS students attending Charles Bowman PS, Harold Longworth PS and Clarington Intermediate School will be available in late August and will be shared directly with families by Northglen Orchard PS principal Nicholas Shea.

As communicated earlier this spring, students will remain together with the same teacher throughout next school year. To accommodate this planning within available school space, students and staff will be grouped by grades within these three grade clusters:

- Junior Kindergarten to Grade 2 Northglen Orchard students will attend Charles Bowman Public School
- Grade 3 to 6 Northglen Orchard students will attend Harold Longworth Public School, and
- Grade 7 Northglen Orchard students will attend Clarington Intermediate School (Note: Charles Bowman PS Grade 7 students will remain at Charles Bowman as that school transitions to JK to Grade 8)

Upon completion of the new school, students and staff will move to Northglen Orchard PS.

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### **Child Care Programming**

Compass Early Learning and Care (CELC) will be the operator of the child care centre and the before/after school program at Northglen Orchard PS. Compass ELC currently operates the before/after school programs at both Charles Bowman and Harold Longworth, and this will help make the transition smoother and more familiar for families. More information is available in the Q and A document online.

#### **Welcome Event**

Northglen Orchard families were invited to participate in a Welcome Event near the school property on Tuesday, June 17. This event included opportunities to meet school staff and participate in fun activities, as the school community begins to build connections and positive climate and culture. Thank you to all those who attended and contributed towards a successful event!





### **Construction Update**

School construction is going well – with work on the school's roof, mechanical, electrical, and exterior continuing over the summer.

- Exterior Cladding (Brick and Metal Siding)
  is set to begin mid-July, once insulation and
  membrane work wraps up, and will run until late
  September.
- Ceiling Fixture Installation and Suspension Grid Work is scheduled for mid-July through early September. This includes lighting, fire alarm devices, sprinklers, and ceiling grid systems.
- Interior Finishes such as painting, flooring, millwork, acoustic panels, and accessories are scheduled to begin in September.

The targeted building completion date is late November 2025, with occupancy by students and staff likely early in 2026.

We remain committed to providing regular updates to families and look forward to sharing more information this fall!