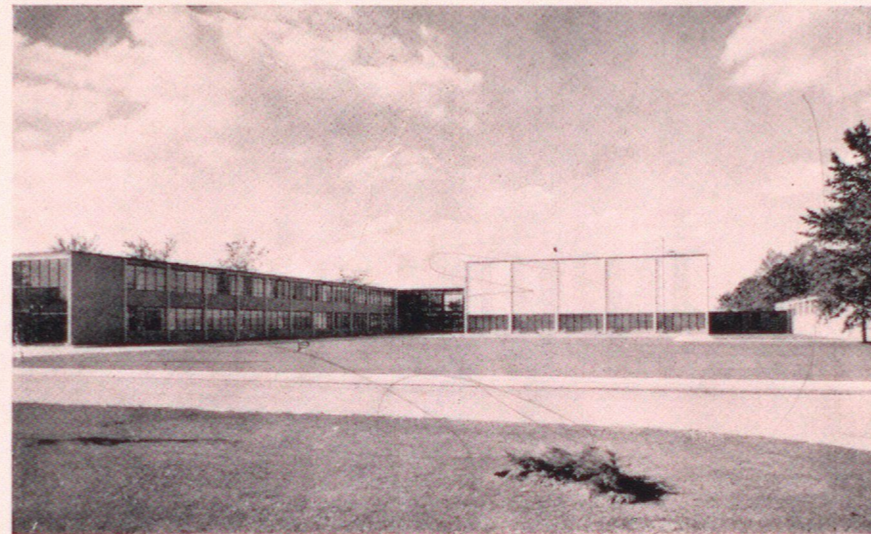


OFFICIAL OPENING



VINCENT MASSEY  
COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1960

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WINDSOR SUBURBAN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL BOARD

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	Representing
Dr. D. R. MacDonald, Chairman	Sandwich West Public School Board, Area A
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OFFICIALS

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RT. HON. VINCENT MASSEY

*Message from Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey*

*I feel greatly honoured that the Windsor Suburban High School District should have given my name to the new school in Sandwich West Township.*

*May I take this opportunity to send my heartfelt good wishes to the principal, teachers and the pupils of the new school.*

*Again, I wish to thank the members of the Board for the honour they have done me.*

*Vincent Massey*

# Programme

## ORGAN MUSIC

Wayne Belton

## O CANADA

## INVOCATION

Rev. Phillip Mogan

## CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Dr. D. R. MacDonald,  
Chairman, Windsor Suburban  
District High School Board

## PRESENTATION OF KEYS

F. Woodall, President  
Woodall Construction Company

H. Sheppard, President  
Sheppard, Masson, Brand &  
Langlois, Architects

Dr. D. R. MacDonald,  
Chairman, Windsor Suburban  
District High School Board

D. W. Gray, Chairman  
Windsor Board of Education  
R. W. Bass, Principal

## DUET

Aurel Botosan and Mrs. Shirley Jenkins

## INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

W. T. Laing, District Inspector  
of Secondary Schools

## SPEAKER

Dr. C. W. Booth,  
Deputy Minister of Education

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. John Fox

## GREETINGS

Lawrence Brunet,  
Reeve of Sandwich West, on  
behalf of Mayors and Reeves

## PRESENTATION OF AUDITORIUM BIBLE

H. A. Klinck, President,  
Ontario School Trustees' &  
Ratepayers' Association

## PRESENTATION OF PICTURES OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II AND PRINCE PHILIP

Mrs. Gordon Sanborn,  
Educational Secretary,  
Major John A. Willis Chapter,  
I.O.D.E.

## PRESENTATION OF FLAG

Mrs. C. V. Gordon,  
Educational Secretary  
Major F. A. Tilston, V.C.  
Chapter I.O.D.E.

## RESPONSE

Susan Morgan, President,  
Students' Council

## BENEDICTION

Rabbi Samuel S. Stollman

## GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

*Following the programme, visitors are invited to inspect the school and attend the reception*

## VINCENT MASSEY COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE STAFF

Robert W. Bass, B.A. — Principal  
 John R. M. Pentland, B.A. — Vice-Principal  
 Aloysius G. Bellaire, B.A.  
 Penelope J. Berry, Mus.Bac.  
 Joan I. Bradley, B.A. (Mrs.)  
 Donovan S. Brown, B.Sc.  
 Clifford J. Davies, B.A.  
 Ross M. Edwards, B.P.H.E.  
 James K. Fleming, B.A.  
 Roy O. Fraser, B.A.  
 Donald W. Henry, B.A., M.S.  
 Edna V. Kennedy, B.A.  
 Phyllis Klein, B.A.  
 Robert J. Krol, B.A.  
 Richard W. Lanspeary, B.A.  
 Donald MacEwan, B.A.  
 Harry J. Merkuloff, B.A.  
 Lillian W. Mitchell, B.A.  
 Russell S. Morden, B.A.Sc.  
 Helen G. Murphy, B.A.  
 Lawrence R. Roberts, B.A.  
 Leda Savchetz, B.A.  
 Stanley G. Soteris, B.Sc.  
 Roselyn E. Stone, B.P.H.E.  
 Jean M. Umbach  
 Mervin W. Wass, B.A.

### Office Staff

Heidi Weikert  
 Idella Lovett

### School Nurse

Barbara H. Duke

### Caretaking Staff

Bernard Bevis  
 Armand Aldighieri  
 William Collison  
 Robert Thoms  
 Louis Wright  
 Katharina Lederer (Mrs.)

## THE SCHOOL



Prior to the building of the Vincent Massey Collegiate Institute, the Windsor Suburban District High School Board had no schools of its own. Most of the pupils in the suburban district obtained — and still obtain — their secondary education in the schools administered by the Windsor Board of Education, by an agreement approved by both Boards in 1955.

The Vincent Massey Collegiate Institute is located in the Township of Sandwich West to serve the most heavily populated part of the suburban district. This school, as its name implies, is essentially an academic high school. It will subsequently offer the Commercial Course as in the Windsor Collegiate Institutes.

The building, well situated on a site comprising 9.5 acres, has 17 classrooms, 3 science laboratories, a library, and rooms for art, home economics, music, and typewriting. In addition there are: an industrial arts shop, a cafeteria, and a double gymnasium which, having a stage, may be used as an auditorium. The present building, planned to accommodate 750 pupils, has a present enrolment of 562. It is expected that, continuing to serve the area within its present boundaries, the school will be filled to capacity within two years.

After exploratory discussions, the Windsor Suburban District High School Board, in November, 1959, formally requested the Windsor Board of Education to operate the Vincent Massey Collegiate Institute. This the Windsor Board agreed to do, under the terms of an agreement approved by the two Boards in December, 1959, an agreement which, it may be noted, required, to validate it, the passing of a private bill by the Ontario Legislative Assembly. According to this agreement, the administration and organization of the Vincent Massey Collegiate Institute are to be equivalent to the administration and organization of the Windsor Collegiate Institutes.

The building was designed by Sheppard, Masson, Brand, and Langlois, Architects, and was built by Woodall Construction Limited.

## RT. HON. VINCENT MASSEY

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When one considers the social and economic climate in which this school will operate and further the basic principles of education which one hopes will prevail within its walls, it is difficult to conjure up any name more appropriate than that of Vincent Massey. The first native Canadian Governor-General of Canada — scholar, business leader, diplomat, author, and patron of the arts are qualifying titles which, in different connotations, may be applied to this great citizen of Canada. Toronto was his birthplace in 1887, and he came into a family whose name had already become closely associated with the industrial, political and cultural life of the nation.

Mr. Massey, after a broad and thorough education, culminating in academic degrees from the University of Toronto and Oxford, proceeded to enhance that name by engaging in important roles as university lecturer, chancellor of the University of Toronto, trustee of the National Gallery of Canada, the National Gallery in Britain and the famed Tate Gallery in London, soldier and associate secretary of the Cabinet's war committee in World War I, Cabinet Minister in 1925, Canadian Minister to the United States from 1926 to 1930, and Canadian High Commissioner to the United Kingdom from 1935 to 1946, during which period he became a member of the British privy council. As a business man, he was president of his family firm, the Massey Harris Company, from 1921 to 1925, and has served as a director of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and of the Mutual Life Assurance Company. As a writer he has had a number of important works published and, following his recent retirement as Governor-General, is engaged in producing further volumes. Finally, Vincent Massey, the man, has been characterized, as "friendly without being condescending, dignified without being stuffy, and always capable of some bright gleam of wit as well as profundity." Surely, if a name can do anything to inspire a staff and students, the Vincent Massey Collegiate Institute is destined to become an outstanding school.