



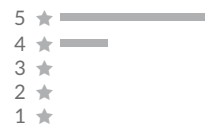
SGCHS 2021 THOUGHT EXCHANGE REPORT

Parkland School Division 70



Q1 What are some things you appreciate and some concerns you have about your school and/or Parkland School Division this year?

I appreciate being at school. Working and teaching from home was not effective for many students who need one on one support.

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The pace of the quarter system for math and science courses is too fast. The quarter system is adding extra stress at an already difficult time. The stress caused by so many tests each week is negatively affecting my child.

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School Building The school is very old and needs up dated

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The comp needs additional lunch areas, kids are not a lot to eat anywhere it seems. Important to have down time and be able to have a little socialization at breaks.

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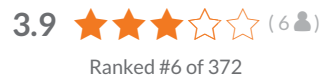
Communication I'm very grateful for the communication. Like everyone else, life is crazy and the reminders are helpful to help balance things!

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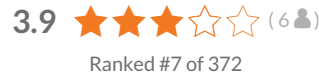


I appreciate the hard work of all the staff!

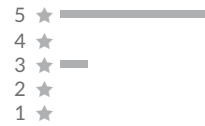
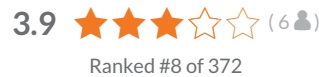
They've done everything in their power to make life easier for the kids during all this chaos!



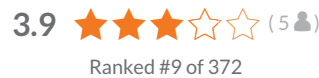
I think the kids need lots of help navigating thru course selection and future goals. The landscape of learning is always changing and each student needs unique guidance thru their future planning.



Quarters are great for options classes but stressful for core subjects. The sheer amount of information needed to be packed into each daily core subject class is a lot to process in one time period and mentally exhausting.



Concerned about staff morale, it's down a lot. A lot due to Covid restrictions. Staff aren't allowed to visit in the staff room which isn't good. It helps teachers feel supported and not alone and give teachers a break even for 15 min makes a big difference.



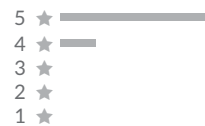
Covid has been a major interruption, HUGE thank you to all school staff...teachers, support staff, custodians!!!





Focus on both student and staff wellness. If staff are not well, they will not be in the best position to support our students.

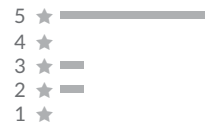


I appreciate all of the hard work that the staff at Woodhaven Middle School is doing to protect the students during this pandemic. This is a difficult time, however it is important that our students can remain at school and continue with their education



Creating rules under the guise of AHS guidelines Staff need to socialize and support each other now more than ever but feel like we can't talk for 2 minutes without worrying about being reprimanded

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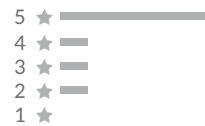
I appreciate the teachers my children have had thus far.

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I thought the online learning was done very well. The communication from the teachers has been great.

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Admin and teachers have done very well with getting the online learning more effective! I found the second time around was way easier to follow! I find the students are able to function a lot more independently

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I appreciate how much everyone involved in our child's education has been working and adapting to COVID. Our child loves going to school.

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I felt it was a fairly smooth transition from in-class to online, back to in-class. I was worried that my son would have difficulty staying focused because of the change to his regular routine.

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School Office Support staff is the key to have a school run smooth and makes teachers and Admin look their best If there wasn't office support, all other staff would be not be able to perform the duties they were hired for!

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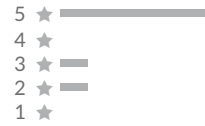
Teachers using multiple apps for distance learning, creates confusion, frustration with parents having multiple apps and log ins etc
Be more streamlined and efficient if either schools or the board made the decision of what app is to be used.

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The school boards last minute choice to change cold/snow day policy really turned me off the SD. Last minute choices made by the SD showed no chance for parents to have input or the choice/chance to change arrangements already in place

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We are lucky to have a very supportive Admin team and a great staff overall. As our school ages we may need to start thinking about replacing old equipment in various areas of the school. (PE, science, textbooks, technology)

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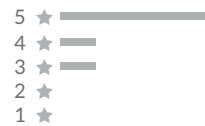
High school assessment needs to be looked at
Every class and teacher assesses totally differently making it hard for students to best plan how to succeed

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I appreciate the staffs priority for keeping kids healthy and safe during these times.

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Not enough physical activity time Kids need to move their bodies.

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Sports teams need to be a priority Many students use sports as a stress/anxiety reliever; finding ways for students to continue to participate would be beneficial. 1 on 1 training?

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Staff does the best they can with what they have, but the ecology of some buildings is disturbing. No natural light, and even no windows in classes. To maximize student performance socially/academically, the physical environment MUST include natural light, exposure to nature(i.e. fresh air/plants)

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Teachers along with many many many other jobs are expected to do more with less since Covid. This applies to my non teaching job as well. Everyone has had to make massive adjustments at their jobs, not just teachers. Think day cares, hospitals, seniors homes, even 7-11! Everyone!!!!!!

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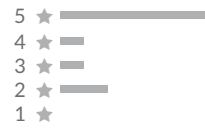
Wonderful, caring principal. Impressed with his professionalism.

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I am concerned about the busing situation. I don't like the fact that my kids are on the bus for 3 hrs a day.

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I appreciate how hard all the staff have worked to navigate through this difficult time putting the best interests of the kids first.

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appreciate that there will be learning from now on no matter if buses running or not. Enjoy the choice of in class or online learning. Its important because education is important. The children and staff can not afford to lose days with the high pace they are learning new material.

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Connection between students Mental health is suffering from lack of connection . Very independent learning even when the kids are in the schools.

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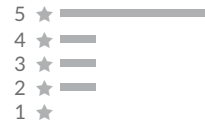
School Environment Helping students through tough times

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Teachers are doing their best and we appreciate them. I know it has to be hard this year but we appreciate all the extra steps and care that need to be done.

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The nature program PSD has is amazing Still 2 years later it was the best choice for my son and I wish my daughter had had the opportunity

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Bussing costs are too high Many children have 2 households and not feasible to assume both are within the zone

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I appreciate that although things look different this year, the staff have implemented a consistent routine. It's important for kids to know what's coming, even knowing where they will play at recess tomorrow gives the structure that they crave.

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I appreciate the flexibility in learning When kids need to be home the learning can continue

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I find it very concerning how much education my child has missed due to Covid. There is no opportunity for kids to make this missed work up. It will just never be taught.

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Kids need access to places to have lunch and safely gather together to socialize as much as possible in the school. Because even in good times, gathering in school was limited... now? the deep sorrows that are growing because of enforced governmental isolation.

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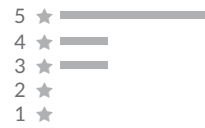
School cleanliness Our school Custodians are outstanding with keeping up with all of the additional Covid cleaning on top of their regular duties.

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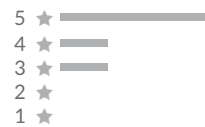
Appreciate my kid's online teachers being so supportive With a high-risk kiddo, online school was vital this year. It's gone pretty well, thanks entirely to the teachers.

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Appreciate the resilience of staff and students. It's a tough year!

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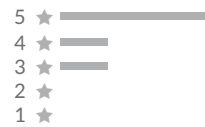
I appreciate the flexibility the school has offered with allowing students to learn in class or online. This has enabled students to keep learning. This was especially important for my child when she had to isolate as a classmate had Covid.

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I have no complaints... in this crazy time we are in right now, I'm confident, happy, impressed and honestly grateful! The staff are doing amazing! My child's mental health is number one, and being back in school plays a huge role on this.

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Quarter system in the high school This has been a challenge for my son - the fast pace of the content learning, and exams almost every couple of days has caused anxiety.

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Teachers The teachers we have been exposed to care and go above and beyond to make it the best experience/environment possible for our child.

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COVID Teaching is not easy at the best of times and during COVID it is exponentially hard - thank you for all you do for our kids.

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Location of school???. Parking lot: ☠️ Option to work from home:♥️, teachers who don't know how to fill long class time and waste it with movies: ? Because a solid education is vital to students' future success and emotional well being.

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Workload - more "new" things to learn and have to do during a year already "full" because of a Covid. Causes teachers stress and anxiety and many more hours of work.

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COVID efforts For the most part I think the teachers and staff are doing a great job with the added stress of covid efforts.

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Covid protocols - isolation for staff and constant masking for everyone I worry about staff and student mental health

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Mental health I am concerned with the growing amount of mental health issues and lack of supports

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Microwaves need to be allowed. There is not a good reason these are not allowed, kids touch doors , door handles , bathroom stalls etc.

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Staff are friendly and the school.is clean.

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Students should be asked to fill out evaluation forms for teachers at the end of school. This information is most important. Some of your teachers need some serious closer supervision, guidance and accountability. Others are rockstars and should be celebrated.

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Teachers are great Because my kids always have a good time when they're there (except for the masks)

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Would like more science and technology career exploration opportunities Kids have no idea what's out there and it makes choosing post secondary school program almost impossible.

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Extra efforts put forth by staff/teachers to create safe environment for students. It made school possible this year

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First I commend SGCHS and Parkland School Division for managing the Covid crisis as well as could be expected. Some students had difficulty adjusting It is important because these are extraordinary times.

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I am concerned about the isolation of staff from each other and the over work to compensate for covid. I have not seen my Admin since August.

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I appreciate that all decisions made focus on student learning at the core. It's why we are all here!

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I appreciate the care and attention that is shown prior to and post school day.

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I really appreciate the efforts by most teachers to be flexible, fair and helpful to students during these challenging times Learning has been nothing but a challenge and when teachers are understanding and helpful to students it is really appreciated.

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In-school learning has been better than online. Thanks to all of the staff for making it work so that our children can learn in person!

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It's hard to not be involved with my children's classrooms this year due to Covid 19. I like to have a good relationship with the teacher and other students in the classrooms.

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More planned sports for kids to play and watch for fun. More creative use the school in ways that balances safety concerns and mental health concern. Because I think sport can be emotionally healing in a time of enormous stress.

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The grade level teacher's organization During COVID and in person/on-line learning, organization is key for students' understanding and anxiety.

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The main reason I sent my son to do in-school learning was socialization and exercise. The kids need to be with their peers and need physical activities to get away from consistently being on a screen.

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All of the staff is working incredibly hard to deliver quality education, with a smile, during a time that's stressful for everyone. From custodians to office staff, from teachers to admin, I appreciate everything they are doing for students. Whether learning in person or virtually.

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Each school needs a dedicated counsellor. I know this is hard with budget but there are more issues with our kids than ever and they need to know there will be someone consistently to help the

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How can school counsellors support teachers more in addressing bullying and classroom management? When circumstances demand more from teachers, bullying can go overlooked. With inclusive education there are also more behavior concerns.

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I am concerned about the lack of support and compassion from the Admin teachers need actual support and compassion more than ever, not just lip service

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I am concerned about the manner in which admin has approached the students regarding the pandemic. These are all young students who are scared and stressed. Their mental health should be one of the top priorities and they should feel safe not scared

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I am concerned with the transition for students from Middle School to High School. Due to Covid, and the impact it's had, the students will be ill prepared for their academic expectations upon transitioning.

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I appreciate having an option to learn at home and an easy transition when we were ready to return. It is important to have options for families that have different risk tolerance and factors.

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I appreciate how hard the teachers are working to make this year as normal as they can for the kids. It is important for their mental health. So much has been taken away or changed for them this year.

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I appreciate that my admin team always make time to meet with me when I am seeking information.

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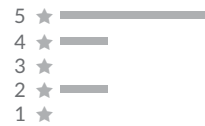
Mental health supports Much of what's available is DIY. Can we create an online PSD mental health group or something?

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PSD's addition to their alternative learning programs has been great. Not every child learns or meets their potential the same way. It's great to see the innovation to reach as many of our kids as possible to build skill

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Pleasant teachers and staff Makes us feel daughter gets the education she deserves

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Support from admin I feel I have the support from my admin to meet my needs and the needs of my classroom

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Teachers and the way they go above and beyond for their students Teachers care for their students and want what is best for them - not just academically but as people

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Teachers need better online training The teachers need better support to navigate the online learning platforms in order to better help their classes

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Thankful for great teachers and staff They've kept our kids safe, healthy, and educated during such a trying time

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The teachers are amazing Our kids love going to school

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We are blessed with a great school community of support

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We didn't have enough professional support to continue with option 2 remote learning for French Immersion. There was almost no conversational French. The lack of at-home support particularly for conversational French was a major deciding factor for returning to in-classroom school during covid.

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Great teachers. Adjusted well to a crazy situation.

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I am appreciative of the support my son's homeroom teacher has given him through this emotionally trying year due to COVID. Mental health is important.

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I am concerned that science (older grades) is losing the spark of interest in my child as with the COVID-19 restrictions there is little hands-on. My child had a love for science but is now bored with it. Hoping we can find a way to have kids participate actively in experiments

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I am grateful for our supportive community

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I appreciate the staff members They provide insight and support

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The school does not take bullying seriously.
My child and others have been seriously impacted by this.

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I appreciate everything the school does for the students. I appreciate the online virtual learning. The safety of all students and teachers and staff at the school from covid.

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I feel the school has turned into a non-conducive beneficial learning environment with all the "can not's" anymore my boys can't be kids at school School is suppose to be a safe space but with all the fear being thrown at them from Covid they are not getting that anymore

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Our school is branching out from being just a sports and drama school. Kids have so many different needs and interests. The more of those the school can foster, the more engaged kids will be.

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PSD have done an incredible job of running the schools this year. Despite all the mixed messages from the gov, you just kept moving forward. Kudos!

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We need more councillors available to be in schools. Even if we hire a councillor full time and then they can go to 5 schools a week. It is so important to have a consistent person to be able to be there for kids even if it is just the same day once a week.

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power school helps to keep track and on top of child

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Activities or assignments are only done individually . Even with masks on. The kids are depressed/lonely. They are more resistant and unmotivated to attend when they aren't going to work with their peers.

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Because of Covid-19 some students are falling behind on core skills. How can I be reassured that this is being addressed? My child is three years behind in reading, & just recently by my request, is on an IP program. Are kids like her actively getting tested and helped?

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Bussing should cost what it costs and be paid by the people who use utilize it. Taking funds allocated to students or other programs to subsidize bussing is incomprehensible.

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Clarity around policies and procedures is sometimes lacking Sometimes staff are unsure what expectations are around variety of procedures. Remote learning, Supporting at home learners, cleaning protocols, etc.

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Communication We can easily go to the teachers or staff to address our concerns, everyone is very open to conversations about difficult subjects

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EAs and support staff are essential to positive learning outcomes for all the students. It is important that we support all students regardless of challenges they have.

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I appreciate being able to contribute my input to the school calendar. I value feeling heard by the division.

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I appreciate most of the teachers we have had, one thing is that I felt our math teacher did not take into account kids were behind because of covid. I felt there should have been a different way that a quarter system, this was not a benefit as it moved quickly through curriculum.

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I appreciate that you are open and teaching our children. As education is extremely important for our children

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I appreciate the hard work and organization from the teachers. My children haven't had any problems transitioning to in school learning from last year.

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I appreciate the ongoing commitment that staff has for providing our students with safe in person learning at school each day. There are many challenges facing us because of Covid 19 and our staff work hard to provide normalcy and safety for our kids each day at school.

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I'm disappointed in the assumption that we will continue to do more with less. WE ARE NOT OK. You keep thanking us for all that we do, but nobody is seriously acknowledging that we might not be ok.

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Online classes should be taught as they are in class. Cameras on personal devices should be on at all times Student engagement

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Research has shown that the middle school model may not be as effective in preparing students for high school. It is vital that students are able to transition from a middle school system to a high school system where there is a greater emphasis on grades.

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Seamless transitions from in person to online learning This has been great to see and allows students to learn at pace in all situations. Doing a great job!

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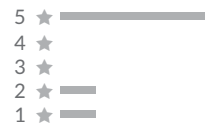
Standardized Testing (PATS) There are NO P.A.T exams this year in most of the province. Even EPSB and CBE. Why are we going ahead with 6 and 9 when even diplomas are optional??

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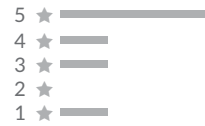
Teachers have increased work loads Teachers are expected to do more with less.

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The teachers worked hard this year to adapt their teaching to fit within the covid guidelines. Especially Ms. Stuart who found new ways with music. The pandemic has been hard on everyone and this helped make school a safe and fun place for our kids to be.

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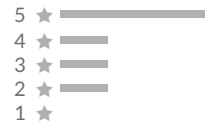
There is a lack of action and an inability of staff to control bullying. My daughter's have been scared to go to school because of bullies and the things they have seen them get away with.

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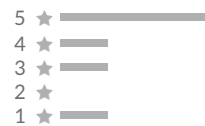
We appreciate everything the school and school division has done to keep the kids safe from Covid. It takes a lot of work from staff but it is vital. Thank you!

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What I appreciate in our school is admin holding students accountable for there negative actions Students need to learn they are not allowed to disrespect others or the building

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Communication between the school/teachers with parents was very good. It kept us up to date with constantly evolving situations within classrooms and entire school.

3.5  (5 
Ranked #123 of 372





Communication during COVID Was important to stay connected with the school even though parents are unable to go into the school due to COVID.

3.5  (5 
Ranked #124 of 372





I appreciate how our school has handled being open during Covid. The new protocols, the amazing teachers and staff have made our school safe. This is important as we have seen other schools who have still not gone back to in person learning and students fall way behind in their education.

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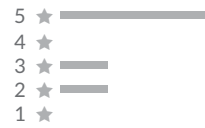
I appreciate that MCHS has a large amount of course offerings that will enable every student can find something engaging. This is important because students need to be excited and have something to look forward to at school.

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Ranked #126 of 372





I appreciate the staff For working together in assisting students and parents to succeed with remote learning.

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Ranked #127 of 372





I wish PSD would have went to online for high school students during the week of no buses. Evergreen made that call Sunday for the week. We were already prepared for online and we couldn't afford to lose that much time given the quarter terms.

3.5  (5 
Ranked #128 of 372





I'm so grateful for the willingness of our division to be so flexible with staff to work from home when needed. We don't need added stressors while teaching during a pandemic. Having this option when needed, especially for parents has been appreciated.

3.5  (5 
Ranked #129 of 372





I'm concerned about the maintenance of the building outside Uneven walkways, crumbling mason work, air quality, old plumbing...

3.5  (5 )
Ranked #130 of 372





Making sure everyone matters, Not just students but Staff as well. I understand that covid-19 has put restrictions on alot of things but you still needto make sure your staff is doing well.

3.5  (5 )
Ranked #131 of 372





Mental health issues are on the rise. Every school should have someone on staff dedicated to support the mental health of students (counselling or connection to community supports).

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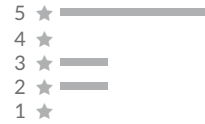
Timely communication Psd and school admin have quickly responded to provide information to staff and families in our ever changing covid reality

3.5  (5 )
Ranked #133 of 372





Willingness of staff to embrace diversity. Staff work hard to ensure every student feels welcome and their needs are met.

3.5  (5 )
Ranked #134 of 372





"behavioral" issue kids shouldn't be in regular classes. They tie up a TA and get to act out with no real consequence. My kids notice this. they affect the learning of the majority and my kids ask why they can be rude to a teacher or another student but dont have consequence, it's bull.

3.4  (9 )
Ranked #135 of 372





I appreciate the ability to work from home without hassle during Learning at Home portions of the last year. This ability allowed me to balance my concerns for my and my family's health with my work as an online educator this past year.

3.4  (8 )
Ranked #136 of 372





Academic Concerns Many students have gaps in their learning from "learning at home" from last year. The gaps are shrinking down but it impacting classroom instruction

3.4  (7 
Ranked #137 of 372





Adaptability in the ever changing rules guided by restrictions in place due to covid 19 to allow continued learning while at home. Even unrelated symptoms require 24 hours minimum out of class so students are able to still keep on track with the high paced quarter system.

3.4  (7 
Ranked #138 of 372




I appreciate all teachers and staff

3.4  (7 
Ranked #139 of 372





I appreciate how fast the school has reacted to COVID positive and has taken steps to help notify the school community quickly. I feel is important as administrators have Been tasked with a public health job and are doing a great job despite the challenges to notify families

3.4  (7 
Ranked #140 of 372





I appreciate how hard the teachers, staff & administration have been working in these unprecedented Covid times. It is important that our children and we as parents feel safe sending our children to school but that their education is still a priority.

3.4  (7 
Ranked #141 of 372




I appreciate how well organized the school is and how they are caring towards the children. It's been a hard transitional year for the children and I Am happy how understanding and accommodating the staff are.

3.4  (7 
Ranked #142 of 372





It's good to see that in some schools, Health/LifeSkills is taken VERY seriously and taught thoroughly. This needs to happen with ALL schools. Many of the social/behavioural concerns that are brought up by staff and families are directly linked to the Health & Life Skills curriculum.

3.4  (7 
Ranked #143 of 372





Continuum of environments. Not all parents want their children with identified needs in a typical classroom.

3.4  (6 
Ranked #144 of 372





I appreciate all the online teachers epecially Mrs Holden

3.4  (6 
Ranked #145 of 372





I appreciate having a job. It's important to maintain my lifestyle.

3.4  (6 
Ranked #146 of 372





I appreciate the continuous efforts the school faculty have made to ensure our kids are safe and remain safe while at school. It's important because my children who thrive and prefer in person schooling rather than at home learning.

3.4  (6 
Ranked #147 of 372



I appreciate the sense of community It allows kids to feel like they belong

3.4  (6 
Ranked #148 of 372



I do like the teacher's commitment to the switches from on line to in person I don't like zero communication from the councillor/psychological support he is receiving. They won't even call his out of school psychologist

3.4  (6 
Ranked #149 of 372





Lack of communication from Lead Team to the staff that are required to carry out the New Policy or New Procedure etc. So often the front line staff are caught with no knowledge of something and not able to prepare or better yet offer some insight in implementing.

3.4  (6 
Ranked #150 of 372





Our family appreciates the fact that a sports academy has been added this year. Love that it gives my kid an extra opportunity to learn and train in his sport.

3.4  (6 )
Ranked #151 of 372



Seeing outstanding or overdue work on powerschool is great! Knowing what assignments are missing and where students are struggling on a weekly or monthly basis is excellent

3.4  (6 )
Ranked #152 of 372



Seeing that is their only social outing is school right now it is the only place where they can talk sometimes. So i feel that it is very important that they have someone in all schools full time that they feel comfortable to talk to.

3.4  (6 )
Ranked #153 of 372



Students need tech literacy, but also neat printing by hand Overlooking messy printing disadvantages students later in life and may mean that learning disorders aren't diagnosed

3.4  (6 )
Ranked #154 of 372



The flexibility of teachers to adapt

3.4  (6 )
Ranked #155 of 372




The teachers can be a wee bit tougher on the kids and hold them accountable for their actions. If they mess up there needs to be consequences that mean something to the kids.

3.4  (6 )
Ranked #156 of 372



Appreciate our admin. and secretaries are amazing !

3.4  (5 )
Ranked #157 of 372




Community Great sense of community within and outside of the school

3.4  (5 )
Ranked #158 of 372





Funding for small schools There seems to be inequality in resources and technology between the divisions larger and smaller schools.

3.4  (5 )
Ranked #159 of 372





I am concerned that some programs are losing participation at MCHS, but could, perhaps, fill up again if students were given their second choice. This is important so that MCHS can continue to offer a large selection of option courses.

3.4  (5 )
Ranked #160 of 372



I appreciate the online platform that the students have been able to access to continue with their education even when they are away from the class. Being able to stay in a routine with education and learning is important to us as a family and especially our child.

3.4  (5 )
Ranked #161 of 372





I wish there was more help for students with mental health issues & learning disabilities who don't necessarily exhibit extreme behaviour. Kids with issues like mine but who don't display their extremes always at school end up slipping through the cracks!

3.4  (5 )
Ranked #162 of 372



Mental health due to use of mask The use of masks All day while sitting is causing mental health issues for my child

3.4  (5 )
Ranked #163 of 372



More follow-up from teachers to coach and train students in proper study habits

3.4  (5 )
Ranked #164 of 372





Of course the COVID restrictions, especially for the seniors School has done a good job with the criteria, on line learning was well organized for back up learning. Of course, in class learning is ideal.

3.4  (5 )
Ranked #165 of 372





Parents need more communication. Not having access to the school as we are all used too, leaves us in the dark and wondering what is going on. on

3.4  (5 
Ranked #166 of 372



Programs of Choice The variety of program options available to students helps to engage students in school.

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Ranked #167 of 372



School need to be renovated School is one of the oldest in Spruce Grove and needs to be renovated, lots of classrooms are additions and not actual part of the building.

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Ranked #168 of 372





Small group activities have ceased with the covid regulations. The kids have less ambition and drive to even do their best in their classes. They can't do things together even in a safe manner, this is isolating

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Ranked #169 of 372





Smaller class sizes and additional EA support in classrooms would improve student outcomes. Some students are following through the cracks because they aren't receiving the supports and one on one time to be successful.

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Ranked #170 of 372





Staff are amazing Amazing office staff and key teachers that make a bug difference in these little minds.

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Ranked #171 of 372





The friendliness of the front line staff. When we went to the school for an appointment they were warm, welcoming and genuinely happy to see my child.

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Ranked #172 of 372





The staff is very approachable Kids are willing to advocate for themselves

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Ranked #173 of 372





There are not enough supports in the school, teachers can not handle the children with everything going on. More support is needed. Kids mental health needs to be taken more serious.

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Ranked #174 of 372





Though I've had limited contact with staff compared to other years, the teachers, outside supervisors, and receptionists have been so kind and helpful It's my first year navigating a child in school, mixed with a ton of things going on in our personal lives. It's so reassuring to have the support.

3.4  (5 
Ranked #175 of 372





Too many apps! Find one app/website for all the school needs. It's too confusing having to go from app to app to see grades, book interviews, etc. Please simplify!

3.4  (5 
Ranked #176 of 372





I appreciate that I don't perceive many disruptions in my child's learning due to covid I feel that my child is having access to good education

3.3  (8 
Ranked #177 of 372




The office staff is phenomenal Very important to have well informed and run administration

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Administration at Memorial is engaged and present Staff check-ins and visibility throughout the school make connecting with staff easy and efficient - developing relationships is key

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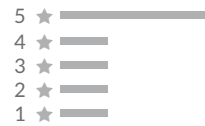
Best person for the job of teaching. Unions need to be abolished to allow for the best teachers to be compensated for their hard work.

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Ranked #180 of 372





Communication We receive weekly curricular and event updates from our child's teacher and it is so appreciated.

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Ranked #181 of 372





Covid updates So much info out there and impacts our kids

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Ranked #182 of 372





Cuts to PUF program are a big concern. Some kids will not get the early speech intervention they need to be successful in school and beyond.

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Ranked #183 of 372





Emotional support for kids Wish there was a forum for young kids to share their feelings about covid

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Ranked #184 of 372





I do not like that you have made the students cram a total course into a two month time allotment. I understand you think it is better due to the flu that going around, but I find my child's grades have plummeted and is finding it more stressful

3.3  (7 
Ranked #185 of 372





I'd love to see time during the day to access a mental wellness coach. Taking time off to speak to a counsellor is too hard, so many staff don't access any support.

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Inclusion (lack of support) Inclusion without supports isn't inclusion. It's abandonment. Students with violent behaviours shouldn't continue to be tolerated without real support

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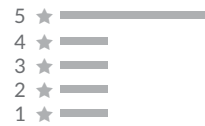
My teacher and support staff colleagues are AMAZING. They are so supportive and help me get through these tough times

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PSD Communication seems to have dropped off entirely Other than the odd FaceBook post, we have received very little communication from PSD anymore

3.3  (7 )
Ranked #189 of 372





Safe environment Protects staff and students

3.3  (7 )
Ranked #190 of 372



The choice to put money into other things other then EA/TAs is getting frustrating. The fight to get my daughter any support as been terrible and we have looked at moving to better give her the ability to access supports

3.3  (7 )
Ranked #191 of 372





The use of Seesaw to share student work and activities is important as it allows my child to elaborate more on what she does each day. I like to be involved and support my children whenever possible. This is one safe way to do so at this time.

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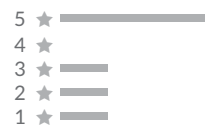
Communication With 2020/21 being as different as it was, I have appreciated the communication from the school and especially from the teachers.

3.3  (6 )
Ranked #193 of 372



I am wondering why grade 12 students can't have a grad ceremony & dance at their school when they are cohorts and spend all day together Restrictions are easing and will be even more so by May/June. These students have had no sports, disrupted learning and deserve a grad celebration.

3.3  (6 )
Ranked #194 of 372





I appreciate LLI teacher and our school counselor. These positions help support the child so that teachers can teach.

3.3  (6 )
Ranked #195 of 372





I feel both my son's teachers have made an extra effort this year connecting with them
With everything going on in the world the extra effort to connect with my boys has put them a bit more at ease

3.3  (6 )
Ranked #196 of 372





Online Learning - not efficient / consistent
Online learning, is a touchy subject. There is no consistency between teachers. Realize this is new, and difficult.

3.3  (6 )
Ranked #197 of 372



Online learning was very patchy in the fall term with each individual school trying to manage Option 2 itself Things are a lot better now that the schools are pooling resources for dedicated teachers for each grade. Fall term was really difficult.

3.3  (6 )
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Staff at Memorial have handled online learning extremely well. With classes being moved on/off-line at any given time, the ability to continue lessons seamlessly is very much appreciated

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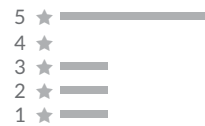
Transportation This always seems to be a nightmare for so many families, there just has to be a better way for the transportation department to function.

3.3  (6 )
Ranked #200 of 372





Wabamun Teachers and staff have gone above and beyond to give students a healthy and productive school year during a pandemic. This has not been an easy year on anyone and I really appreciate that they have gone the extra mile to create a safe learning atmosphere.

3.3  (6 )
Ranked #201 of 372





We were charged \$200 for bussing that we cancelled through the driver, our kids didn't step one foot on the bus. It was \$2000 to bus our kids. Now we are banned for the next year, we were told the bus drivers are not part of Parkland School, we didn't know.

3.3  (6 )
Ranked #202 of 372





Ability to switch to at home learning when required Keeping the kids learning, so not missing out. Able to connect with teachers via google meet has been huge help

3.3  (5 )
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Appreciate the school being open and taking the kids and having a safe place to be. They need to feel excepted and treated with care

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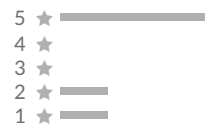
At the beginning of the year communication from Brookwood was not as good as it was in previous years, especially surrounding the covid protocols. As a parent I like being informed of what is going on around the school, and what protocols and procedures we need to be following.

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #205 of 372




Classroom cleaning Teachers have had to take on a lot of the duties of cleaning that the night custodians are typically responsible for because of Covid.

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #206 of 372





Covid Burnout Too many added responsibilities added onto all (staff, students)

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #207 of 372




I appreciate that the principal and vice principal are so open and welcoming and are bringing new options for jr high to the school. Creates a positive, open, innovative, and exciting atmosphere.

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #208 of 372





I appreciate the additional efforts to focus on staff and student mental health and wellness.

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #209 of 372





I appreciate the work admin and staff is doing to make the school safer and more welcoming to students of all needs Many kids don't fit into a box, and our school is not trying to make them fit. That's wonderful. They are meeting students at their level.

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #210 of 372





I appreciate the work our inclusive education leader has done with our children and our family since our children's needs were identified. As parents it is important that we feel our thoughts and wants are heard and that our children's needs are being met.

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #211 of 372





I have no concerns seems that the school is doing its best

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #212 of 372





I worry about the well being of older students grades 5 and up with limited resources of outside recreation during recess. This is where kids bond. This is supposed to be a fun time and not a jail like setting where all they do is walk around in a parking lot.

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #213 of 372





Our teachers are being asked to do too much, program for in class and program for at home learning with consistent movement.

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #214 of 372





Parkland demonstrated commitment to French immersion with option 2 This was an effort to maintain the growth of our program

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #215 of 372





The quarter system works good for my daughter she learns better with the short class time I think they remember easier They not get stressed when doing exams

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #216 of 372





We do the best that we can with our parking lot and bussing situation but it is not great. Pavement and better flow for traffic down the back alley would be a huge improvement.

3.3  (5 )
Ranked #217 of 372





I am happy with the quality of administration and staff. The school functions smoothly, particularly during Covid.

3.2  (8 )
Ranked #218 of 372





I appreciate the time dedicated to collaborative work and student interventions. We are able to work as a team to help students in all of the classes grow, not just our "own" students.

3.2  (8 )
Ranked #219 of 372





Staff is really friendly and compassionate Open communication and compassion is very important

3.2  (8 )
Ranked #220 of 372





Group projects have to continue.

3.2  (7 )
Ranked #221 of 372





My kids are missing the interaction of friends they made last year that are in different classes. Perhaps a pen pal program or something. They are sad that they can see their friends from a distance but can't even talk to them usually. They want to keep those friendships going somehow.

3.2  (7 )
Ranked #222 of 372



The atmosphere at the school is generally content With covid it's important to have as much normalcy as possible

3.2  (7 )
Ranked #223 of 372





The bus I find the bus drivers to be rude and lack communication to parents.

3.2  (7 )
Ranked #224 of 372





Appreciate building futures program
Engaging for students

3.2  (6 )
Ranked #225 of 372





COVID Mitigations - well done PSD is doing a very good job with COVID mitigations

3.2  (6 )
Ranked #226 of 372





Concerned about the age of the school We have one of the oldest schools with old school items and lack of available resources

3.2  (6 )
Ranked #227 of 372





How are indigenous world views being incorporated into learning environments and routines?

3.2  (6 )
Ranked #228 of 372





I feel that Memorial is still the great school it was when my oldest started there. My youngest is there currently, and there are no issues.

3.2  (6 )
Ranked #229 of 372





My child will sometimes private message the teacher on google classroom if needing clarity on something. We almost never receive a response and upon asking the teacher about best way to ask, we are still told use private messaging????

3.2  (6 )
Ranked #230 of 372





One of my sons has an allergy to hand sanitizer and had to go on some strong medication to fix and both my boy have anxiety issues so in school was no t an option for us this year. I know you want to know our plans for next year but without a clear picture I donèt have an answer

3.2  (6 )
Ranked #231 of 372





There is a variety of course options for my child. My child is able to receive both the academic and emotional support she needs.

3.2  (6 )
Ranked #232 of 372





biased teaching doesnt promote thinking

3.2  (6 )
Ranked #233 of 372





I am concerned with the duplication of programming without collaboration of all stakeholders All three high schools are offering versions of online learning ... why is there no collaboration for consistency, best practice and product

3.2  (5 )
Ranked #234 of 372





I appreciate our librarians flexibility When our library space was closed to become a classroom, she brought the library to the classrooms! The students really appreciate her.

3.2  (5 )
Ranked #235 of 372





I appreciate that online learning was available this year as an option for those of us that felt unsure what was happening in our world. I think having this option available has been helpful in helping others feel safe.

3.2  (5 )
Ranked #236 of 372





I appreciate the PSD is budgeting to fix and upgrade some of the older schools Even though the building are there for the students it is so awesome to see some renovations happening to make the older schools get a fresh new feel!

3.2  (5 )
Ranked #237 of 372





I appreciate the organization at bus area and drop off in the morning being in the dedicated lane I feel safe dropping off my children and that they are visible crossing through the buses

3.2  (5 )
Ranked #238 of 372





My son started high-school this years and I was apprehensive about the four quarter system. I think it has worked well for my son but wonder what others have experienced. Is it working for children with ADD etc.?

3.2  (5 )
Ranked #239 of 372





Re-Writes on failed or low mark exams The adult world does not give you re-writes at work. Kids need to learn to put proper effort in the first time. No crutches should be given.

3.2  (5 )
Ranked #240 of 372





We need to get more parents involved in all the schools. If they are more involved it's more likely the students will also exceed more.

3.2  (5 )
Ranked #241 of 372





Wide variety of options for learning gives parents option based on their level of comfort.

3.2  (5 )
Ranked #242 of 372





no French after 9th grade I would love for my kids to keep practicing there language

3.2  (5 )
Ranked #243 of 372





I feel that they need more councillors to talk to students about what is going on in their individual lives. I feel that is important as many kids are falling through the cracks they need to talk to someone about how they feel in the moment.

3.1  (9 )
Ranked #244 of 372




Flexibility Providing options for both on line and in class learning and support both

3.1  (8 )
Ranked #245 of 372





Appreciate the school's commitment to keeping students safe and minimizing their chance of contracting COVID-19 at school. Keep kids healthy despite pandemic.

3.1  (7 )
Ranked #246 of 372





Communication has been transparent and clear I appreciate knowing what the school division is doing with regards to Covid precautions.

3.1  (7 
Ranked #247 of 372





I appreciate that we have a snack and lunch program. There is a great selection of healthy option for students who don't have any food.

3.1  (7 
Ranked #248 of 372





I like the "themed" days. It helps with morale and gives kids something to look forward to.

3.1  (7 
Ranked #249 of 372





Torch Time is a great addition Giving students the opportunity to catch up on work and connect with a teacher is a great idea. Offering cop talk, gym, etc. is a great option as well

3.1  (7 
Ranked #250 of 372





Amazing and supportive grade 10 teachers. They have given us feedback when requested and if there were concerns would check in with the Student. Support from parents & teachers to students and support from parents to teachers is vital as long as teachers don't take the parent support too far

3.1  (6 
Ranked #251 of 372




Collaboration is hard with staff who do not want to hear others' ideas. I would LOVE to see it be more of a priority in our division. I feel that it would keep teachers who stick to their "tried & true" ways from becoming arrogant/obstinate in their practice and keep working for what's best for kids

3.1  (6 
Ranked #252 of 372





I am concerned about my future as an EA without a contract and the possibility of rollback... It's my wellbeing and concern over a wage drop.

3.1  (6 
Ranked #253 of 372





I appreciate how different CFL is and all the unique programs we can offer. I like that families have options.

3.1  (6 )
Ranked #254 of 372




Mixed info about covid restrictions
Valentine's day was very confusing for what could come to school . Some teachers sent stuff home which broke kids hearts but other teachers allowed it

3.1  (6 )
Ranked #255 of 372





Parking We need an extra entrance for the overflow

3.1  (6 )
Ranked #256 of 372





Teachers in AAC do not aid students. Have emailed multiple times- no response. Offered at distance learning but there is no help available unless you go in.

3.1  (6 )
Ranked #257 of 372



There needs to be more done about bullying, stricter policy's, or behavior management . I find that it is not being taken seriously.
Children should not be scared to go to school, they feel they don't have the support they need.

3.1  (6 )
Ranked #258 of 372





Communication I appreciate all the communication/feedback we are getting from our school, being such a difficult year, they are doing an amazing job

3.1  (5 )
Ranked #259 of 372





Dedicated admin Our admin team work tirelessly to support the staff as we work to meet the diverse needs of the many learners in our school.

3.1  (5 )
Ranked #260 of 372





I am concerned that our school is trying to offer too many new initiatives at once Staff are being split into too many niche/new programs. Staff are burnt out and students in established programs are being moved down priority list.

3.1  (5 
Ranked #261 of 372





I am concerned that teachers are doing double the amount of work for the same pay.

3.1  (5 
Ranked #262 of 372





I am frustrated with lack of guidance with Grade book and the continual "you figure it out". I wish there was a consistent expectation between school When starting something new there should be a shared understanding of what is expected. There are clear guidelines for gradebook in other divisions.

3.1  (5 
Ranked #263 of 372




I appreciate the programs of choice Not all kids learn the same way

3.1  (5 
Ranked #264 of 372





It is very unfortunate that the Nature Kindergarten cannot run out of the Scouts Location. It is a wonderful resource to have in our back yards and how much does it get used each day? School space is already limited.

3.1  (5 
Ranked #265 of 372




Need for Before and/or After School Care at Muir Lake Important to consider before/after school care directly at the school. There is not a lot of care within the community and saves PSD on busing costs.

3.1  (5 
Ranked #266 of 372





Online school has really reduced bullying concerns Because there's no unsupervised interaction with the other kids, there has been much less bullying this year than previous years.

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Positive staff culture is lacking :(

3.1  (5 )
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Relevant learning Teaching how to identify false news in social media is important. Thanks for adding that to the lessons

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The communication between teachers and administrators is lacking. As a result, students feel less inclined to report any inconsistencies, because they don't feel it will amount to anything.

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The grade level teacher's communication Helping keep parents in the loop

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The sanitizer is taking the paint off of my lockers and the finish off of all of my furniture and toys They will need to be replaced, but I'm worried there will be no money to replace items that are damaged by district provided sanitizer

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Still very worried about COVID risks, especially with phys Ed, music class, etc. Would be nice to be getting more regular updates/reassurances that the school is still taking this seriously, esp. with new strains around.

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Gradebook this year was not necessary Important to keep extras at a minimum in a year like this

3.0  (8 )
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Appreciated how well my daughters grade 6 teacher kept us informed about what school was assigned/due, what topics were being covered, etc. The teacher maintained a solid weekly Google classroom update, and used the remind app very well to help us as parents help our child stay on track.

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Communication is key to any organization! I find any communication sent out by the division is very non-friendly and too many big fancy words

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I super appreciate how hard everyone is working. And I appreciate all the grease that's being given. I hope we can continue

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Memorial Communication is outstanding Regular communication from staff and administration is impressive at Memorial - we always feel that we are well informed and know who to contact

3.0  (7 )
Ranked #278 of 372





The whole bussing system is very disorganized. Was told over the phone one price. When I went in person it was triple the amount. Was told "oopsie, mistakes happen".

3.0  (7 )
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A weekly memo was sent out this week by Muir Lake School and kept parents informed of relevant and current information. I appreciated it.

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Appreciate the new admin support Need this support this year above all others

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I am concerned a little bit about how often sanitizer is being used and if the chemicals in them can be damaging at all. I understand why it needs to be used however children still need good bacteria as well and my daughters hands have been very dried out from it.

3.0  (6 )
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I appreciate all staff and principles

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I appreciate all the help and measures teachers gave gone through to keep every one safe and healthy

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In short, there are enough inconsistencies, with no oversight. We have p&p's for a reason, there needs to be more involvement from everyone, but when you don't feel heard, it becomes a "who cares anymore" attitude

3.0  (6 )
Ranked #285 of 372





Psd bussing. Bussing has always been horrible. Expect payment before the year is done for the following year. Must pay by credit card. I dont have 1. Staff at the office are horrible to deal with

3.0  (6 )
Ranked #286 of 372





Quarter system is working well My child enjoys being able to focus on only 2 subjects at a time. It's made diploma exam time less stressful.

3.0  (6 )
Ranked #287 of 372





The choice to not allow my kids to use the hill as a sliding hill was silly! I don't believe school property is private

3.0  (6 )
Ranked #288 of 372





The teachers are so stretched and overwhelmed they can't communicate with parents very often. I don't get feedback anymore. I only receive a mass email list of assignments that students have not completed. I don't know how my son is doing.

3.0  (6 )
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Why does PSD 70 not employ a physical therapist beyond early education? Kids with physical disabilities are NOT magically cured once beyond Early Ed. It shouldn't be a hard to get PSD to hire a contracted PT for 1-12 My son's disease is progressive, but PT slows it down from advancing. HELP us!

3.0  (6 )
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Sometimes I feel the students could be challenged more and the teachers could be a little tougher on them. This will help prepare them for life and also push them to reach their potential. Stronger students should have as many resources as weaker ones.

3.0  (5 )
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Blueberry parking lot needs another light From December to February it is dark in the mornings and the kids can't be easily seen.

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Ranked #292 of 372





Cuts to puf funding are going to be hard to come back from. If early education is funded properly that money is saved down the road. Most Kids won't need those interventions past grade 1.

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I am concerned about class sizes In the time of Covid, trying to social distance with the space we have and the number of students is incredibly difficult

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Ranked #294 of 372





I am concerned about teacher workload and teacher burnout. This year has obviously been challenging due to covid-19. Increased supervision, new I.P.P, constantly changing rules, lack of communication ect.

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I appreciate the struggle to maintain covid rules but I'm concerned about lack of social distance in classrooms My kids have said they can't social distance from peers

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I appreciate the support from our administration at our school when dealing with difficult situations. We are lucky to have strong leadership who have high expectations for students and guardians and how they treat our staff.

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I love that the school is available close to home in our small community. We know the families our children go to school with which adds an element of connection and safety and brings the community together. Good for covid.

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I really appreciate the communication received from Prescott, from both the school and teachers. When you are aware of the goings on and what your children are learning that week, it opens up the lines of communication with your children.

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I worry about the lack of educational options for rural student. I do not feel that there is equal access and quality of education. Rural students face significant disadvantages.

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I'm happy with safety protocols. As far as I know there has only been one positive COVID case at EMHS Our children are safe and others in the community are also safe. I think its important the teachers are recognized for all their efforts.

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Ranked #301 of 372





My only concern is the lack of EA support for students We have way too many students that need extra help but not enough funding to get it accomplished

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Ranked #302 of 372





Online was very unorganized sometime more difficult then needed The teacher are trying very hard to keep up with online and in class teaching.

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Ranked #303 of 372





Transportation is a mess Busses are sent out without card scanners and/or radios. No ability to contact drivers. People being charged for bussing that didn't register

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Willingness to support teacher passions I love that our admin support our passions and helps us obtain resources when asked! For example, diversity books, resources books and materials.

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Appreciated the weekly emails from the school with general info and updates. This made me feel much more a part of the school community, more aware of what was going on and more comfortable with the procedures and changes.

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I sometimes find myself annoyed that I feel like I only get information that I seek out from the leadership at my school. I dream of transparency!!

2.9  (7 )
Ranked #307 of 372



The layout and use of classroom exterior doors in our building makes me feel less worried about covid exposure in the hallways. Important so we protect vulnerable members of our community from a dangerous pandemic

2.9  (7 )
Ranked #308 of 372





Communication is lacking In a world we're technology is always at our fingertips. Why am I finding out about day 50/100 is there isn't there off a fb moms group?

2.9  (6 )
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I appreciate how much the administration cares about the health of their staff. While this is a hectic year, it is good to get those earnest reminders to take care of ourselves, from all levels of administration.

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Ranked #310 of 372





I appreciate the culture of growth and trust in PSD--we can fight and exist harmoniously in the same building. It's important because these are people we have to work with for many years of our life.

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Opportunities for some staff to work from home Safety for those but since not all staff can do so, it does demonstrate some inequities

2.9  (6 )
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There was a COVID exposure, which was scary, but communication around it was great Deciding to do in-person school was not easy. when we got the call about an exposure it was very scary, but the staff were super kind and supportive.

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Friendly folks! I've enquired with the PSD and PLC throughout the last year about various things and everyone is very professional and friendly.

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I feel very supported with a special needs child The school has been amazing with my concerns having a special needs child. Her accommodations are met without her being treated differently

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It is unfortunate that Gr. 10 kids do not get accepted to take Psychology. It is a course they are allowed to pick but they never get approved to take it.

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Lack of integration opportunities for students in REAL. Students in REAL need access to classes that speak English on a regular basis to socialize and learn outside of their program.

2.9  (5 )
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Why is there a push for Power School learning and use during a year where there are already so many new things to learn and figure out? I think teachers have enough on their plates with curriculum, teaching and mental health concerns this year.

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Any concerns we have had have with programming have not been answered they have just been deferred to someone else to not make a decision

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Communique It's nice to get a mid-month update from the school.

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I am very concerned at the willingness of the school board to go against our children's charter of rights and freedoms as well as real science because Of political pressure. There has not been one real study to prove that masks are an effective barrier against covid. But there are many many studies

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My path is an essential part of my child's learning This program is amazing for kids learning that can not be done in a traditional classroom

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There needs to be more access for parents to request disability testing for their child. I didn't even know how to go about this and then I got questioned about the need for it when a psychologist recommended testing.

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Using calm spaces, quiet spaces for online teachers is abusing the space that was needed for in person students. It's shameful. There has to be other areas these teachers can use.

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Child is learning well - kinder is the introduction to school. In a COVID based world, it seems to be proceeding well Sets the basis for minimum 12 years of learning, but also into post secondary

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I appreciate the weekly email from the principal keeping parents informed of upcoming events I appreciate the small class sizes

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Support Staff has been led to believe that we had a union in CAAMSE that was there to fight for us, not placate the division as they like to do. We are being asked to do jobs that legally we are not allowed to do, but we have nobody to back us up in saying no, support staff cannot supervise a

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Teachers not wearing masks properly or students. Covid is spreading and it doesn't feel like a safe environment.

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The support with covid has been solid Allows for a feeling of safety

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The young staff, I feel the can be more relatable to the children and they're always willing to adapt.

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A quality Health & Life Skills program, along with a quality Phys. Ed. program taught by passionate educators is essential to student success. These two subject areas are essential to student development, but all too often are not being taught in a meaningful and enlightening way, if at all.

2.8  (5 )
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I often wonder why MCHS staff are required to supervise at the bus transfer station when there are so many other supervisors from transportation. MCHS staff can not arrive to the transfer station in time to do anything.

2.8  (5 )
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Increasing and scheduling more time in the day for healthy living, exercise and mental health choices for both students and staff. Improving overall health takes time and impacts well-being, learning outcomes, and long-term health.

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No Speech Therapy Not having this effects his learning and communication which is really effecting his mood about learning.

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Too many PDF days / days off With the amount of days off, it is difficult to mange schedules

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If your child has a sniffle and are not able to go to school that day for safety reasons, they should be allowed to do online learning that day. We don't take any chances right now but not fair my child misses out on education because we are being responsible.

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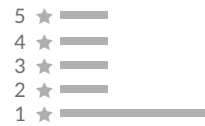
I appreciate the ability to speak directly to the deputy superintendents Scott Johnston and Mark Francis were both readily available to discuss staffing concerns as well as to give covid information at the start of year.

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Small community feel. Staff and students are close.

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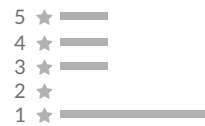
Appreciate the communication from classroom to home in Grade 1 I feel like the transparent and communication helps me reiterate material at home to help foster their education. Could be done better in kinder

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I'm concerned that students are not continuing to follow COVID regulations Wearing buffs, sharing equipment, face to face close conversations

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One concern was the lack of updates from one of our youngest child's teachers. while we consistently asked and engaged our child to tell us about what she was learning, I still felt out of the loop. Unsure what work was due, etc.

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Event information I know events are hard to do this year but if something is planned in the class I don't feel we are getting the information to prepare this year.

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Online learning expectations are set to high for younger kids Expecting 6-7 year olds to sit in front of a screen all day is unrealistic. Provide assignments to complete on their own time with fewer Google meets

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There are not enough supervisors outdoors during recess in ratio to students My son and other students have been bullied by a particular student during recess because no one is there to watch them properly, unacceptable.

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Torch time not an effective use of my student's time at school In theory it is a good idea to have time for personalized help, but in practice it is not organized well and has provided little assistance.

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Why do the younger grades (aside from the kinders) have the furthest walk to get to and from their door? They move the slowest, it just doesn't make sense.

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Class sizes I am concerned with growing class sizes especially in division 1-2

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Concerned about insufficient outdoor supervision during recess and lunch. This is important so our kids can feel safe, focus on learning, and not work about bullying.

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Construction happening simultaneously when students are in classes. Safety concerns.

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Throughout the world that prove that masks are harmful to our children. Both physically and psychologically. It is against their human rights and Canadian rights to force them to wear masks. And yet the people who are supposed to protect and stand up for our children aren't willing to do that

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We have been exceptionally pleased with the division of recess so that not all children are out at the same time We feel this gives the children a safer environment

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Certain health restrictions are just nonsense
Such as, having to “quarantine” Valentine’s for 72 hours. The kids play together all day. These extra measures is creating unnecessary stress and fear

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I am concerned about the lack of communication Communication between division, school, and staff is lacking. Having to quarantine, going online, and change in rules has not been clear

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I would like to see less torch time maybe throughout the week. I appreciate Torch time, however with only 2 classes, there is too much time for extra collaboration. Is there a way to condense it to 3 days a week?

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I'm concerned with the costs of Nature Kindergarten. Our eldest was able to participate in2019it was reasonably priced at around 375/month. It is now almost double that, our youngest won't be able togo

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Minimal recess issues this year due to cohorting. Smooth transitions to and from class.

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Still have concerns about social distancing in the class Concerns about using multiple subs during teacher absences... more chance for virus to makes its way around

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Worried about no supports for special needs We did online school with my special needs kid this year but I've heard there's no budget anymore for supports and he really needs them.

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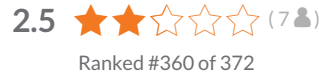


Masks wearing is unacceptable in schools.

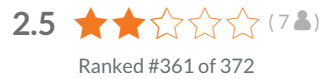
Communication involves more than the voice, many rely on facial expression and lip reading to receive the communication as a whole. Our humanity suffers



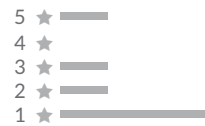
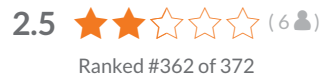
Quarter system



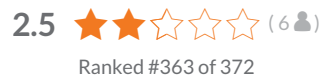
The kids should have a standard type of mask that they wear.



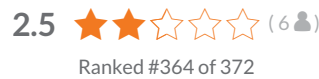
'Them and us' attitude between admin and staff There is a lack of support/trust from admin and a lot of unnecessary micromanagement so staff don't feel like they can do their jobs without criticism



I appreciate copperhaven school





I appreciate the fact that FI was offered through the learning at home option, but I am concerned with the structure given to kindergarten engagement. Two 30 minute sessions a week of face to face with my sons's teacher was not enough for meaningful learning to happen.



The poor planning of homework/studying It seems like my child has zero homework one week and then three tests including a midterm the next week. Can it not be spread out a bit?





The quarter system is amazing I think that the quarter system has been beneficial to students as they are able to concentrate on 1 or 2 cores rather than 3 or 4.

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For not doing any legitimate research beyond what you are hand fed. It's appalling. My daughter is the only grade in the entire school that needs to Wear a mask. That means you are risking her health and mental well being for a political agenda. Because every other grade in the school is mask free

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There should be no masks for anyone Because the threat is low

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Why is there absolutely no snow clearing being done this year? It's a massive safety risk to everyone stepping on school grounds.

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Under the fear of backlash from parents and politicians who are living in fear. They have not even been able to show one case of airborne transmission I am massively disappointed in all you who choose a profession where your job is to safe keep our children. You should all be ashamed of yourselves

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I'm concerned that there is still a minority of teachers putting hands on students. if students have a code of conduct to follow, it sends the wrong message when an adult/teacher does not follow their code of conduct.

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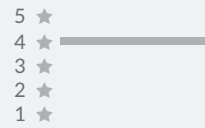
It's a double standard. And if we had the power to not have her in school. She wouldn't be there.

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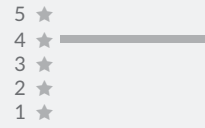
I appreciate the support given when needed but I don't like having misinformation come home. It's important everyone stays on the same page and we work together.

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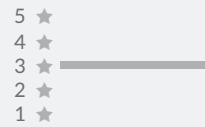
Online learning It has gone well. Glad that through the cold snap the kids were able to continue.

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Not enough ratings to rank




Proper Typing Instruction Students are learning chrome books starting in grade 2, yet proper typing instruction is not being offered until junior/senior high.

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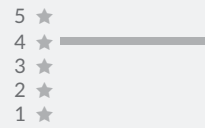
The teachers are amazing and consistent, which is so rare in a small school. Really appreciate the quality of education my children are receiving. Relationships are important at Tomahawk School

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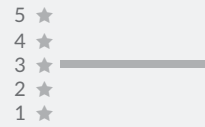
I appreciate that I know my kids are well cared for at their school. My children love going there!

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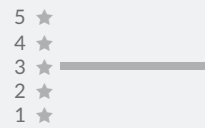
Kids' development has been severely impacted by COVID precautions. The sudden negative & unrelenting social/mental/physical/financial impacts for many COVID-era children

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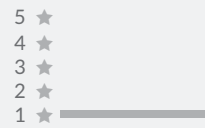
GCMS office communication is inconsistent It's been extremely challenging to send messages via the office.

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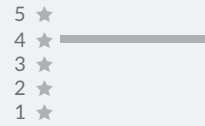
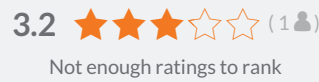
My kids are experiencing COVID-Precaution-Fatigue. Increasingly, they cannot bear to be in school wearing a mask for hours. They beg me to let them stay home--anything to avoid MASKS.

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Not enough ratings to rank



Miss regular communication from principal

To keep up with what is happening at school especially with COVID restrictions



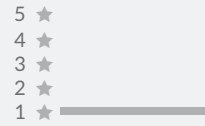
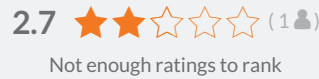
The online option is a keeper. It's a great way to keep sick kids up to date.



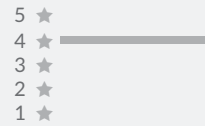
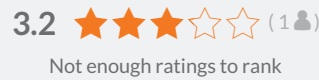
I love the monthly newsletter. This is a great summary of the events happening and helps families plan for the month ahead.



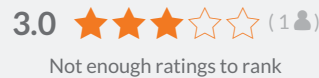
I love the monthly virtual assembly. This is great for parents that work as they can stay connected to what's happening at the school.



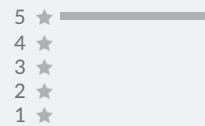
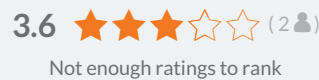
I appreciate that junior high teachers answer student questions even outside regular school hours. This is important for students who are doing homework in the evening and on weekends.



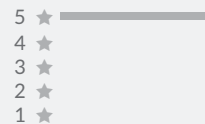
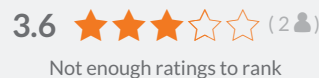
I appreciate how much time the teachers spent with the students in google meets during virtual learning. This allowed students to stay engaged and get questions answered quickly.





I am concerned about the new curriculum the government is trying to implement. Everything I've read states it's regressive and would put us behind the educational standards of other regions. How can we ensure its quality?

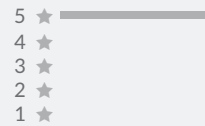


Sick days for mental health I wish there was some clarification in collective agreements about this, and a clear directive that sick days can be used for this purpose.





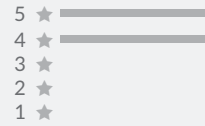
I am constantly worried that I have to be 100% on the ball all the time to justify my working from home. I am so burned out. I wish there was more feedback as to how well staff are doing despite all this - it would be a big reassurance.

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Not enough ratings to rank





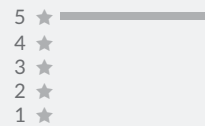
I. Am. Exhausted. When we're free and clear of COVID, can we make the effort to lighten everyone's burden and do some fun things?

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Not enough ratings to rank




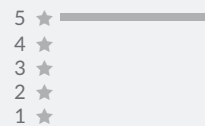
I would like more PD opportunities for non-school staff. Working without interruptions at home has been a boon, but I wish I had been given the time for self-improvement as well.

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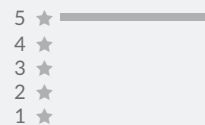
I'm impressed by the diversity of programs offered by PSD, especially in light of funding cuts. The CFL roster of programs alone is fantastic. I wish I had had the opportunity to participate in such things when I was in school.

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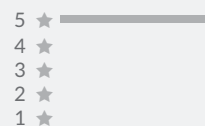
I wish the Board would advocate on behalf of the Division more and stand up to this government's stupid decisions. The spending cuts and mass firings in education this year have been ludicrous - other school boards have been outspoken about this, but not ours.

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Not enough ratings to rank





I am worried about older and high risk staff in schools. The government's protocols do not protect them enough. They should be prioritized for vaccines.

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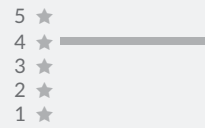
I don't think the COVID threat has been sufficiently mitigated in schools, mostly because of a lack of government funding. I know staff and students are trying their best, but the number of school-related cases in Alberta is alarming.

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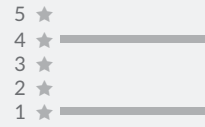
I appreciate that students have been given the option to work from home. Many students and/or their families are high risk for COVID and/or have anxiety issues tied to the pandemic, so this option is a huge help.

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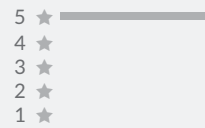
I appreciate the ability to work from home. I'm high risk for COVID and my mental health has suffered this past year, but feeling safe at home enables me to keep working well.

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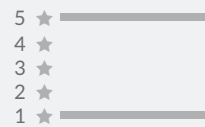
This ThoughtExchange platform does not collect accurate feedback. Any points are diluted between the redundant Covid or kudos notes. Categorize them To weigh 650 similar points is ineffective & frustrating. Since most people quit after the first 100, what info has merit? How is this format useful?

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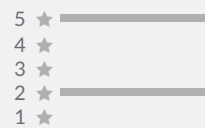
Forecasted milestone dates for masking reduction/elimination. My child is masked 90% of the time which is a learning distraction & uncomfortable. Given vaccination schedules, when will changes occur?

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Not enough ratings to rank




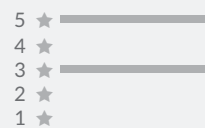
Increased class sizes. Given this pandemic has robbed our children of a quality education, they need more teaching support not less.

3.1  (2 
Not enough ratings to rank




I appreciate the improved online learning process that happened after xmas vacation. I appreciate the continued attempts to follow covid regulations Online learning allowed for undisputed learning while off school; following guidelines allows schools to remain open

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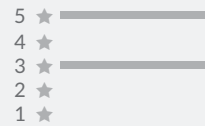
I'm concerned for kids mental health when they are being "yelled" at a lot because of masks at lunch and not sitting in the right spot etc. Kids are just tired of negative adults. It needs to change

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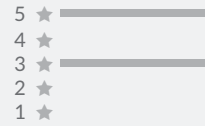
I think the newsletter sets out growth programs available to families, parents, and students for a variety of programs very well.
Issues such as mental health, getting through the pandemic etc. is up to each family, not the school or staff. They have enough to deal with.

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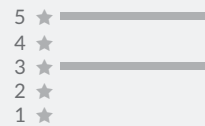
Overall the staff are absolutely amazing
Amazing staff makes learning amazing for children

3.3  (2 
Not enough ratings to rank





I have concerns regarding the extensive bullying and lack of action towards bullies My child was bullied in one of your schools and is now in mental health therapy due to it. The accountability to bully and parents was shameful

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Not enough ratings to rank



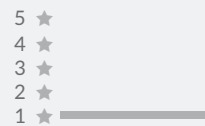
Kids teachers communicate well Outside of visiting their classrooms, there has not been a lapse in that given the COVID situation.

3.4  (3 
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I appreciate the leadership that I see in Division Office. I see the collaborative efforts of this team to make a difference for staff through support, communication and leadership through example.

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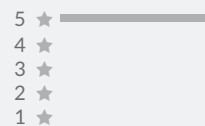
I appreciate the incredible efforts of administration to stay on top of the ever changing COVID-19 restrictions and requirements for students/staff. It's not easy when you have so many staff and families looking to you for answers, when the questions are changing daily.

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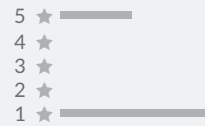
The Quarter System is not beneficial for most students. The pacing is too fast and I fear that knowledge and skill retention will be lower. Full year options are also limited by the 1/4 system because they are crammed into two quarters rather than spread throughout the year.

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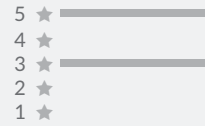
School ending at 3:40 and busses coming at 4:00 or later is ridiculous in an elementary school. Elementary kids are tired by the afternoon so being at school until 3:40 is exhausting. Then they have to wait 20 minutes for the bus.

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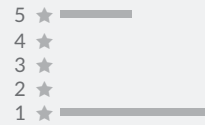
I am concerned that we get a new report card to figure out and work on every year. This latest one for kindergarten seems a bit much for this age. Report cards are a moment in time. Having to read a 16 pg doc to figure out report cards is a lot, especially when we are given it in short notice.

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Not enough ratings to rank





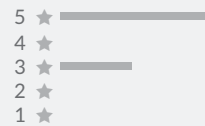
I appreciate that our admin gives us time during PD days to work on what we need to and doesn't schedule us for the whole day. It is important because we are given the time during a work day so that I do not have to take work home.

2.8  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank



I appreciate the growing music opportunities at the high school level and hope that the division will continue to support music education.

3.5  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank




Covid close contact doesn't apply to the busing Because children do not stay 6 feet away from each other on the bus so if someone on the bus had close contact with my child we would not be notified

2.8  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank





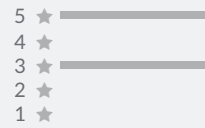
I have appreciated the level of communication from the school with the monthly e-mails and the weekly e-mails. This allows me to be more connected to what is occurring at the school and more connected to my child's learnings.

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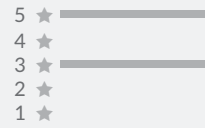
I appreciate that PSD is inclusive in collecting input from all stake holders. I think it would be more relevant if the thoughts were shared to the groups/school that it applies to for stars, as many thoughts are not specific and so the rating are not necessarily accurate for each school.

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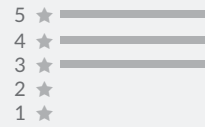
I appreciate the continued support for what is best for My student and the ability to work with our family to meet her needs. This has allowed my daughter to remain successful despite facing mental and physical health challenges.

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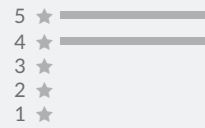
Literacy consistency across the board It would be great to have a set literacy standard across the school board.

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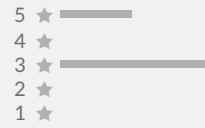
Transportation Routes to rural schools Why do families have to drive to meet buses? If the parent isn't able to drive their kids to school, what makes us think they can drive to meet buses

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Not enough ratings to rank





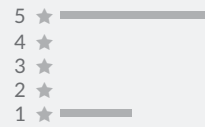
The REAL program staff are incredible My son has been attending the REAL program since KG and we are so happy & satisfied with the staff the last couple of years. Mrs. Johnstone is amazing

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Not enough ratings to rank





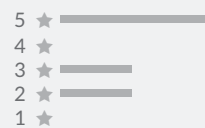
This forum is overrun with COVID. We get it, thank you for protecting our kids. Can we put more focus on normal education related concerns ? Many very valid concerns are being brought up here but have been buried amidst all the Covid comments/concerns which are very repetitive.

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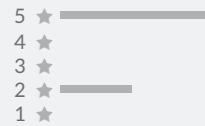
Online Learning Support Teachers were not given sufficient support to prepare for Option 2. Understaffed and under-supported. Not enough teachers for amount of students

3.3  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Schools should ensure that their mandate is to provide learning based outcomes; not current vogue and popular ideas. It is important that students can think independently using solid research fundamentals.

3.4  (3 )
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Lack of support for inclusion. All students seem to fall behind when supports seem to only exist for behavior students.

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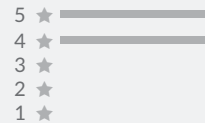
Increasing class sizes for some grades.

2.6  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank




Having a choice between online and in class learning.

3.7  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





I appreciate how hard the teachers and staff have had to work to get our children through this difficult school year.

3.4  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank




The teachers are doing an excellent job!

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Not enough ratings to rank




The ladies up front are so helpful. Thanks you :)

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Not enough ratings to rank





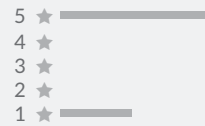
I appreciate the support of my principal My principal always addresses any concerns or worries I have, and is extremely supportive of my work. It's been a great year despite the pandemic!

2.8  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Concern about funding and the new funding model With registrations significantly changing due to the current public health issues, schools are faced with uncertainty in the upcoming year

3.3  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Covid Related Supports Hard year in navigating the mandates and enforcing them to protect our community with the information we have

3.1  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank





I am concerned that rural schools may struggle to maintain enrollment due to the downturn in the economy as people move to larger centers for work. Rural schools are a vital part of smaller communities and must be financially supported if needed to be maintained.

3.1  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank





I appreciate the effort PSD takes to hear from all stakeholders - staff, parents, school councils, and students. It is important that all voices are heard and a part of the conversation around education.

3.1  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank




I appreciate the measures put in place for the safety of staff and students during the pandemic It is important for students to be in school under safe conditions.

3.3  (3 )
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Staff Wellness - how are we supporting those who are really struggling We value our employees

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Not enough ratings to rank





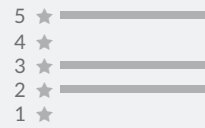
Torch Time at Memorial Appreciate the time in the day for students to catch up on struggling assignments or needs, not at lunch when teachers should be allowed to eat lunch.

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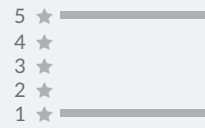
Covid protocols in schools It's taken seriously and protocols are in place and staff are doing their best to keep things sanitized and spreading out students.

3.1  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





Its disappointing that with the larger workload that staff are not compensated. Staff juggling online learning, covid cleaning measures, plus regular teaching and staff arent being compensated any better than previous years.

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Not enough ratings to rank





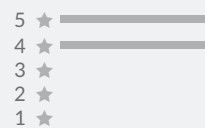
Covid precautions Its nice that its a team effort, not just janitorial staff but everyone's responsibility

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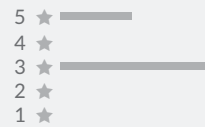
Transparency between Admin and Staff Its refreshing that decisions are mostly made as a team. There is alot more transparency and involved decision making

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Not enough ratings to rank




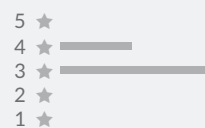
Drop off/pick up is horrendous. Too much traffic and not enough space. Could a parking lot be built across the street in the empty field? To stop traffic jams, prevent accidents and have a better overall flow of traffic.

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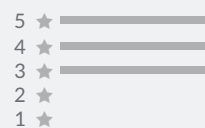
I appreciate the excellent staff The community really supports my child's learning

3.1  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank



The excellent music program at Broxton It supports my daughters learning and ability to express herself

3.4  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





I appreciate the ongoing Covid 19 communication It helps me feel confident sending my child to school

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Not enough ratings to rank





Appreciate: LLI, school counsellor, admin who are professional and respectful

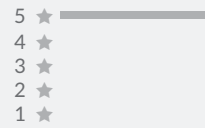
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Appreciate: PD Days for the opportunity to prep and collaborate with colleagues

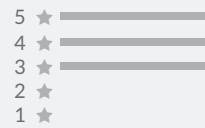
Concerns: outdated and smelly student bathrooms. I am worried there is clearly something wrong with the plumbing and the smell is disgusting.

3.8  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





It's frustrating that the school and schools in Parkland spend so much time and energy focussing on the bottom 10% instead of the majority. Students who are well behaved deserve to get their share of the teachers attention. Instead, teachers are forced to deal with behavioural students.

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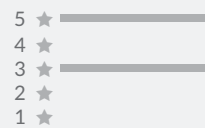
School needs to be updated Its safety measures are not up to par and many classrooms are open concept which can easily lead to students being distracted.

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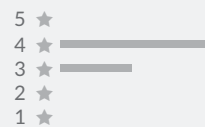
There needs to be more mental health education/collaboration for parents, students and teachers The early ed program really strives to help us be in tune with our children's mental health. However once they hit grade one this isn't the case.

3.3  (2 
Not enough ratings to rank



I absolutely love my sons preschool teachers. These teachers have shown so much love to my son and have totally changed the way I look at his learning and brain development.

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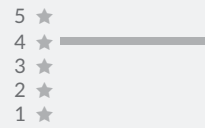
I appreciate that kindergarten teachers care about their students' health. However, they should not dictate what parents can pack in a child's lunch. Parents should decide what is a healthy choice for a child's lunch based on other foods the child has eaten that day and overall family dietary habits

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Not enough ratings to rank





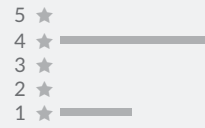
I appreciate that schools have remained open during the pandemic and that the kindergarten experience was as normal as possible this year. Our children need as normal a routine as possible. We're not trained as kindergarten teachers and I would have had to quit my f/t job to teach @ home.

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Not enough ratings to rank





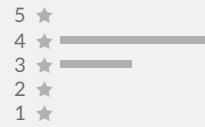
I appreciate the option for online learning this year during the cold spell when bussing did not run. The kids miss a lot this year with Covid, so the online option for the week was a great option. I hope to continue to see it for future cold snaps.

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Not enough ratings to rank





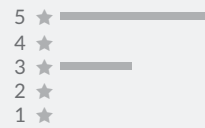
I have been happy with how our school is this year, I wasn't sure what to expect with Covid, but I feel it's going as well as it can. I feel fairly good sending kids to school daily. As well as on the bus.

3.3  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Biggest concern is lack of high school options. Kids have to be driven to one option or bussed over a hour to the second option.

3.5  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank



Little help for my child with disabilities I feel like the school tries with what they have, but my child has fallen through the cracks

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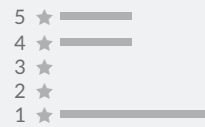
Assign Homework Homework would help kids that struggle or fall behind. Especially kids with disabilities. Also sets a good work practice for later school years.

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Not enough ratings to rank





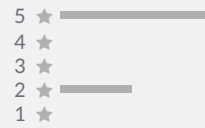
Parent Notification when a child fails a test or assignment We can follow up at home to make sure they understand what they are missing. Homework would help.

2.9  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Parent Notification when a child is falling behind in work Kids don't tell us if they are struggling, even if asked. A heads up from the teachers might be nice especially with younger kids. Homework would help

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Not enough ratings to rank





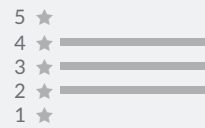
I don't think covid protocols are being taken seriously enough in the classrooms.

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Not enough ratings to rank





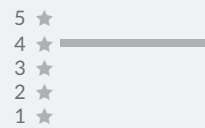
I appreciate the professionalism and positivity of the staff at CFL during this crazy year Everyone struggled this year and it was good to know that staff were available to address questions and concerns, doing so with a smile!

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Not enough ratings to rank





I appreciate the flexibility of the programming offered in this district Options are important for families so that they can find the program that will work best to support their students

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Not enough ratings to rank





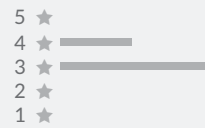
School grounds - icy walkways I'd like to see more attention to dealing with the icy walkways - avoid accidents!

3.0  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank




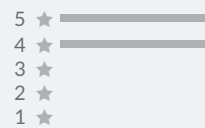
Wow this has been a challenging year with the pandemic. I am so impressed with how our school has provided learning options. I feel very connected with my child's education and feel very supported by his teacher.

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Not enough ratings to rank





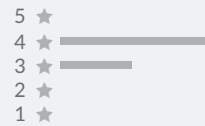
Quality learning and interaction with peers has been essential to kids mental health Being able to socialize and learn alongside their peers is so important to their growth.

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Not enough ratings to rank





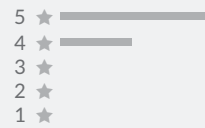
I appreciate all the effort the school staff have made to ensure the school year has not only been safe, but also a mostly normal a school experience Kids need stability in their lives and we are so grateful that it has felt mostly normal for them at school this school year.

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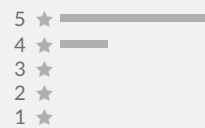
The age/condition of the school washrooms Need updating; tiles, sinks, counters, etc.

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Not enough ratings to rank




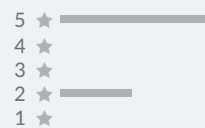
Parent Teacher Interviews Online Love this format. More private, effective and efficient than waiting in line in the gym at SGCH.

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Not enough ratings to rank





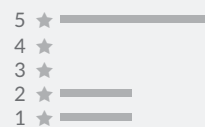
Material Resources Not Provided Teachers are having to find and personally purchase too many resources from sites like teachers pay teachers.

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Not enough ratings to rank





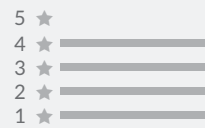
Grade Book Grade book is not useful for division 1 teachers (K-3). Couldn't we consider a differentiated system for early years students?

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Not enough ratings to rank





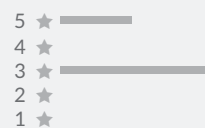
Teachers are always happy. Shows the students it's a positive place.

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Not enough ratings to rank




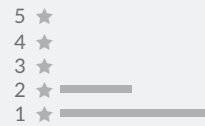
Teachers seem caring.

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Not enough ratings to rank





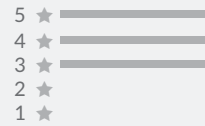
The Quarter System is FANTASTIC! The continuity of the classes and reduced stress for exams has our child experiencing the best academic year ever. Our child is succeeding and thriving with the longer classes allowing more lesson time and uninterrupted theory. Only studying for 2 exams=less anxiety

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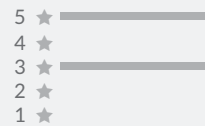
Staff are amazing and working so hard to ease COVID stress

3.4  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





I appreciate the effort the teachers put into the online instruction portion of the year. It helped keep a routine during at home learning. My kids knew exactly what to do at home.

3.3  (2 
Not enough ratings to rank





Does not appear to value employees and their contributions to the division It appears that we are nothing more that replaceable cogs in the machine

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Not enough ratings to rank





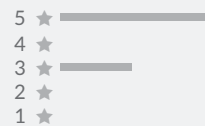
How hard the staff are working to keep kids safe this year Ensuring safety so we can stay in school and not work online again for a long period of time

3.4  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





My kids have lost focus because of online learning. They definitely do not have good grasps of the content. They may have passed a course, but they are not prepared for moving on

3.5  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





I appreciate how the Staff has shown that they are lifelong learners. teacher were quick to pivot to remote learning, record lessons, learn how new tech worked, work both classroom and online sessions

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Not enough ratings to rank





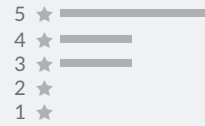
My concern is that children are getting bullied in class and the bullies are getting away with it. My child does not feel safe at school... I do not agree with children getting detention for behavior out of their control, like ADHD and Tourettes.

2.9  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





I've appreciated the school staying open and following AHS safety regulations during the pandemic. I've appreciated the teachers and staff putting their lives on the line so our children can attend in-person learning this year.

3.6  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Would like to see a timeline/learning schedule for each class provided to parents electronically. Only hard copy given to students. Help support school work.

2.7  (4 )
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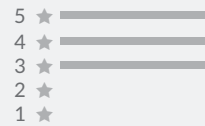
Communication with parents improvement this year by teacher using power school to record marks and such. However the lack of inperson is the reason I feel for this

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Not enough ratings to rank




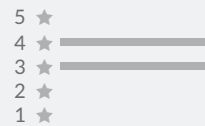
We have been blessed with absolutely amazing teachers this year. It has made our children feel safe in these uncertain times.

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Not enough ratings to rank





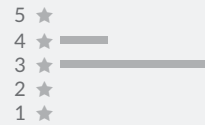
I appreciate the efforts that the classroom teachers have put in this school year. My child has loved being able to attend school for most of the year. The teachers are doing everything they can to make it enjoyable and educational.

3.2  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





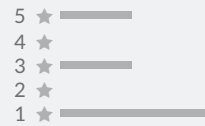
We have an amazing group of staff members! It feels like I am part of a great team! It is great to be in a place where the people are kind and get along so well.

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Not enough ratings to rank





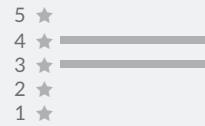
Bussing to Nature K. It doesn't make sense that my one kid can get the bus to go to school but the other can't catch the bus to go to school and take A transfer to Nature K. This is very inconvenient for parents. Keep it consistent and that way parents can also take advantage of the OSC program

2.8  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





We have a very caring and kind administration. They take the time to meet with us and to listen to our thoughts and concerns. This makes me feel valued.

3.1  (2 )
Not enough ratings to rank





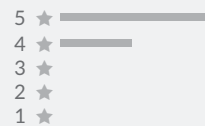
Busing Have never heard from our bus drivers.

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Not enough ratings to rank





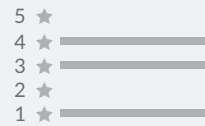
Concerned about the restrictions on music and physical education. I appreciate these are harder to navigate around but the current programs are not sufficient for children's stimulation

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Not enough ratings to rank





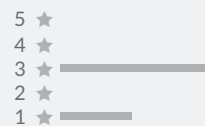
Bring back hot lunches! Both the kids and parents are missing these big time!!!

2.9  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank




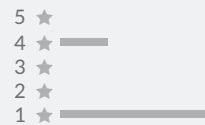
Allow parent volunteers in the classroom again This would greatly help the teachers and restore a sense of normalcy. Many parents are wanting to be a part of this child's learning experience

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Not enough ratings to rank





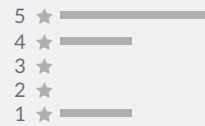
Stop the fall breaks and arrange breaks/PD days to fall on stat weekend. For example. Easter next year falls a couple of weeks after spring break meaning parents are having to take extra time off work to accommodate.

2.4  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank




Re-design the parking lot (if possible) The parking lot is way too small for the size of school. If a separate exit could be created it would alleviate a lot of the traffic issues

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Not enough ratings to rank





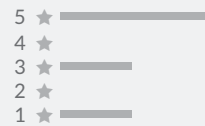
Lack of supervision on the playground My child complains regularly about a classmate who plays to rough, reports it to the supervisor who never does anything. Better monitoring of games

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Not enough ratings to rank



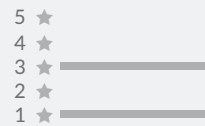
Restrictions on Fun Events We get CoVID. But the children are lacking real excitement and events to be excited for. Ie no class parties, treats, field trips. It's sad.

3.2  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





Lack of communication from teacher Communication is not the greatest, often finding out last minute of things the child may need for an upcoming school day (ie special attire, supplies)

2.7  (2 
Not enough ratings to rank




Caring Creating an environment where the child feels safe, valued and respected as a community member

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Not enough ratings to rank





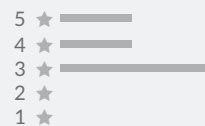
Flexibility To be able to offer various options for parents to meet their child's educational needs

3.0  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





Dedicated staff Reassuring that your child is receiving appropriate care and education

3.3  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





You care about our children Staff consistently show that our children's education is their top priority. Thank you for your compassionate approach to education.

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Not enough ratings to rank





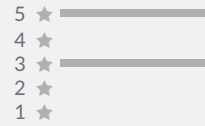
Great communication Through the challenges that COVID-19 have presented, PLC has done a fabulous job on communicating with parents and keeping us up to date!

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Not enough ratings to rank





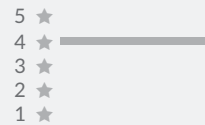
The school is doing a fantastic job dealing with covid.

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Not enough ratings to rank





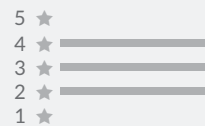
I appreciate how much our teachers, administrators, and staff care about our kids. I appreciate that our schools are open and kids are in class. The impacts of kids not being in class may be worse than COVID itself in many respects. Our teachers show that they care by teaching in class.

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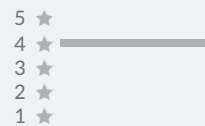
I wish there was a way for kids to write their exams when missed due to covid instead of an average of their marks. No chance to pull marks up when missed for reason beyond anyone's control.

3.0  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank




I appreciate how you have been able to keep the education up for the most part in light of our current situation. Even though we are going through crazy times, our kids still need a good education.

3.4  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Staff are working extremely hard with little or no recognition from leadership.

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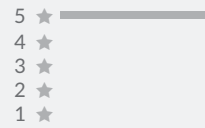
Staff feeling increasingly isolated. Expected to teach/counsel/supervise/mark/plan on top of COVID responsibilities such as disinfecting classroom

2.8  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank



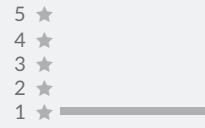
Pacing of classes in quarter system Students do not have an adequate amount of time to digest material presented in class before moving on to next unit.

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Not enough ratings to rank





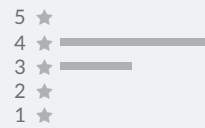
I appreciate that bus supervision has been done by Admin Leave staff to attend to the precleaning/post cleaning of rooms, get ready for the day, connect to peers, prepare for the next day

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Not enough ratings to rank





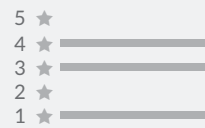
I appreciate how hard all of the teachers are working in the ever changing rules regarding COVID It is so important to be flexible and allow for multiple learning models (online, in person etc.). Thank you

3.3  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





Inclusive Education This program is not as effective as claimed. Students constantly miss help when high behaviour of others present. Quiet, anxious kids fly under radar.

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Not enough ratings to rank




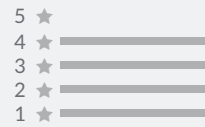
Role of Grade Coordinator High School: What is the role? Should we be hearing from them? What are their tasks?

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Not enough ratings to rank





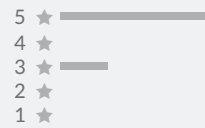
Not Enough Specialized Support Unique learners deserve the adequate supports to reach their future potential. Self esteem and mood disorders occur when this isn't met.

2.8  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank



Quarter System Concern For children with LD's it is far too fast and heavy. Even torch time isn't enough to catch them up. Regular learners feel burnt out.

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Not enough ratings to rank





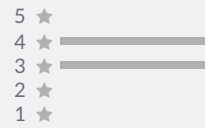
Outstanding student driving etiquette at arrival and dismissal. The MCHS teens show respect & courtesy, take turns exiting, always wave or smile, & set an example as to what a positive community member looks like.

3.1  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank




I appreciate the Covid protocols, the clear and direct communication. The more we remain aware, diligent, and communicate issues the greater the chance of staying in school and avoiding isolation or illness.

3.1  (2 
Not enough ratings to rank





I appreciate how our staff is striking a reasonable balance in enforcing unprecedented medical measures dictated by health bureaucrats. I didn't sign up for this. If AHS wants these measures enforced enthusiastically, they can hire their own compliance officers for our schools.

2.9  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank




Concern: full inclusion is not working for some of our students and their needs should be addresses on an individual basis. I feel that there is significant time wasted for our high needs students. Are we really meeting their educational needs?

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Not enough ratings to rank





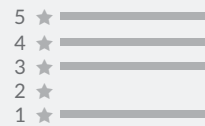
My only concern is that the kids are confined to a certain zone area at recess which sometimes does not fit their age group.

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Not enough ratings to rank




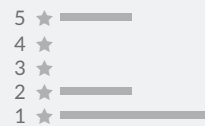
I appreciate the willingness of the staff and teachers to be in school even with all the covid stuff happening.

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Not enough ratings to rank





The use of masks cause health concern My child now has frequent bleeding nose since the ALL DAY use of mask, even while sitting

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Not enough ratings to rank





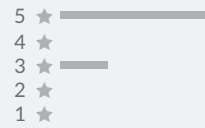
Use of masks Once my child is in the classroom, I want the use of mask while sitting to be stopped.

3.0  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





The staff team are very flexible In the age of covid and things changing from day to day, the staff are rolling with the punches and doing their best for the students

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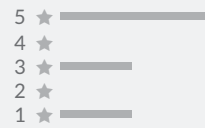
We are enrolled in the online learning option and I do not feel that teachers outside of my child's physical school understand his needs He has an IPP for a reason and it would have been helpful to have accommodations offered and built into his program before I had to ask

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Not enough ratings to rank





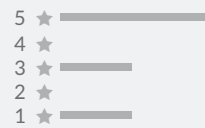
The availability and flexibility of the administrative team As the parent of a special needs student, it is important to me that they are accessible and communicative

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Not enough ratings to rank





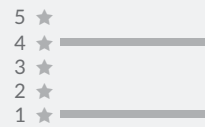
I'm concerned that vaccinations will not be completed (first shot) for September What will be the protocols for masks, cleaning,, distancing....

3.2  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





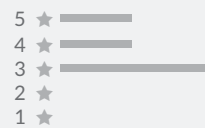
I appreciate PSD IT and purchasing departments Linda L, Mark P and Julie W have been a great support with our tech needs. The help desk is a great way to contact and get updates on our tickets

2.9  (2 )
Not enough ratings to rank




Thankful for my colleagues My wellness depends on them

3.3  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





I have a concern more with Alberta Education's decision of limitations on schools that is reflected into our school but they are not at fault

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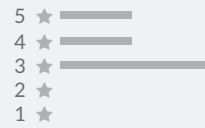
I appreciate that the school is keeping my child safe and has limited outbreaks from the virus

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Not enough ratings to rank





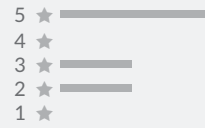
I appreciate my school staff members and the resources we have. Our school takes good care of resources and is excellent at sharing materials. There is a strong sense of community- everyone appreciates the work each other is doing and caring for resources shows this.

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Not enough ratings to rank





Teachers have been prepared to teach online and provide supports for in-person and online situations.

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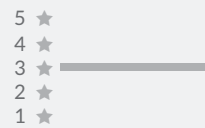
Most of my concerns are covid related at this time.

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Not enough ratings to rank





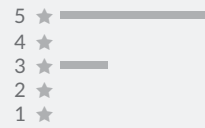
I dislike the inconsistencies from site to site in our school division. Though I understand different needs at each site mean things look different I also would appreciate some uniform responses to how money is spent, "floating" teachers unattached to classrooms, etc.

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Not enough ratings to rank



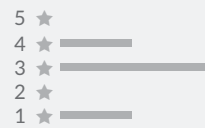
Not enough emphasis on finding alternative for activities The schedule for the speech therapist to not visit until May is too long. Also no alternatives to still run programs like Cross Country Races.

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Not enough ratings to rank





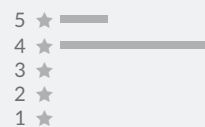
K/1 split classes don't work My daughter is struggling and not receiving the support she needs - and should receive - as a kindergartner.

2.9  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





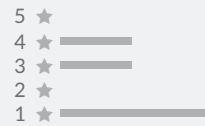
I appreciate that Connections for learning is an option for us this year. My kids are doing quite well with it, I find I am printing a lot of stuff at home for them which is starting add cost

3.6  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Option 2. It is great that my children had the choice to work from home, many of the online teachers have been amazing

2.7  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





The teachers at EMHS They have worked tirelessly to try to support the students in every way.

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Not enough ratings to rank





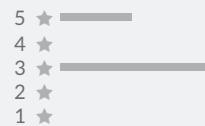
I LOVE that collaboration time has been worked in to our schedules, however it is difficult to get anywhere in terms of working when we have to have a mini meeting each time . Trust us to work! It might take a few blocks of time to build the rapport & trust needed to create but it will be worth it!

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Not enough ratings to rank





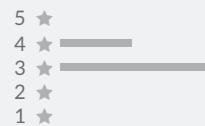
I worry about constantly and wonder how teacher welfare fits in to the goals of our division/school. I feel exhausted, depleted, overworked and that I am not doing enough to reach all of the learners in my classroom.

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Not enough ratings to rank




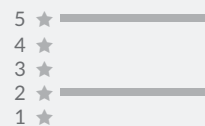
That the school has provided a clear way forward to have in person school facilitated.

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Not enough ratings to rank




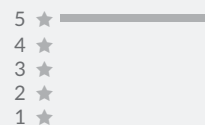
Discipline (or lack thereof) Students that are disrespectful or defiant are getting no real consequences. Constant offenders just get to come back to class.

3.1  (2 
Not enough ratings to rank




I prefer kids wear school uniforms School uniform teaches students to dress smart & take pride in their appearance. School uniform brings equality among students.

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Not enough ratings to rank





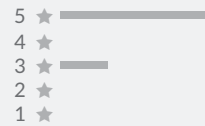
I would like to see specific planning and development in the OH&S of the school. Students cannot properly wash or dry their hands b/c of inadequate facilities.

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Not enough ratings to rank





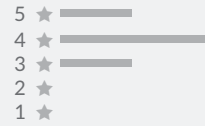
I appreciate my children being able to ride the bus and attend school in person, as opposed to online learning. Beyond the academics, they benefit socially and physically so much going to school each day. I cannot fulfill all their needs at home.

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Not enough ratings to rank




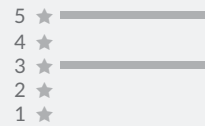
I enjoy the small class sizes and excellent teachers. My child is a good learner but for once feels as though he belongs. This is important as it contributes to a stronger self-esteem and enjoyment to learning.

3.4  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





Staff Wellness How can students be well if staff are unwell

3.4  (4 
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Research shows that boys are being left behind academically and are not doing as well as girls. It is important that boys are given equal opportunity to succeed like their female counterparts.

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Not enough ratings to rank



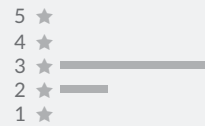
The crosswalk between Brookwood and Woodhaven needs a light or a crossing guard. It is not visible enough for drivers in busy pickup/drop off times. Lots of kids use that crosswalk before and after school and their safety is important

3.0  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





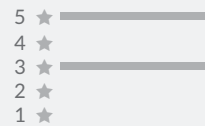
Online learning should now be the norm on snow days. No need to miss out on even more education due to mother nature. School is all about preparing kids for adulthood. Most jobs do not accommodate snow days in Alberta. This is more so with older kids.

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Not enough ratings to rank





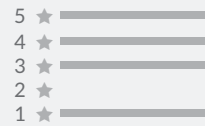
Despite the overwhelming cloak that is Covid, schools kept focus on kids and learning

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Not enough ratings to rank





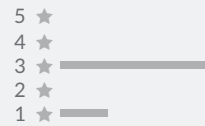
Early start and dismissal are great. Kids are settled and working at an early time, don't seem to run out of steam until just near the end of the day.

3.1  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank



The music program is amazing at Muir Lake. My kids love it Mrs. G has really engaged both my kids to have a love of not just music! They love her and her music

2.8  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank




My daughter participated with in class learning as much as possible.

2.9  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





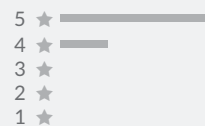
During Covid the high school kids should not have a Torch period. They have cohorts and with them registering in different classes they are now mixed with other kids.

3.1  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Covid protocols I have been very happy with how the staff have been handling covid and keeping our children safe.

3.8  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





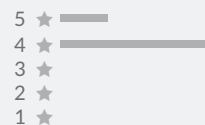
More supports for students- counselling, clubs, Provide

3.4  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





If students can eat lunch in their classrooms, why can we not also eat with friends from a safe distance. Conversation could help this dismal view our Staff has of the school.

3.6  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank

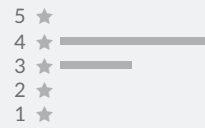
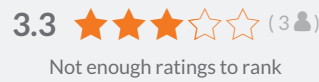


I think PSD could benefit from more than one nature Kinder program. Students on the east side of the school division cannot easily access Muir Lake. Nature Kinder is very popular and highly praised by those whose children attend. It would be great to see the same opportunities in east PSD.

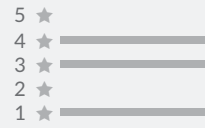
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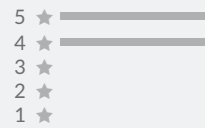
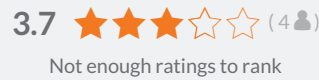
I wish there were established academic challenge opportunities and programs within PSD for high academic elementary and junior high aged students. These students also need programming which recognizes their needs and maximizes their potential; otherwise, they are at risk of underachievement.



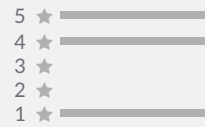
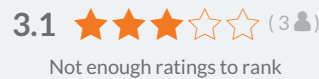
Our children's bus ride is fairly short. They don't spend hours a day riding the bus ... yet. Unfortunately next year our oldest will be commuting 180 km / day.



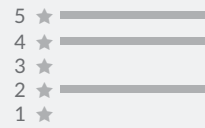
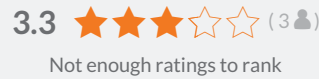
Some of our teachers are exceptional for both academically and socially. They know our daughters strengths and weaknesses and challenge them. They also ensure we are aware of any concerns including mental health.



Communication feels generally open I feel I can contact and have a rapid response to concerns/questions



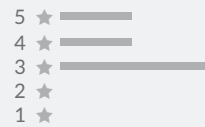
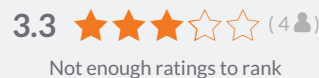
My only concern is the health and wellbeing of the staff/teachers. Both of my children's teachers have had leave this year. It affects them personally and affects the children. Although resilient, children need structure and reliable contact with their teacher to feel saf





Parking by the west exit is very congested Drivers can't see if children are crossing until they are on the road.. poor reaction time if a kid is riding a bicycle

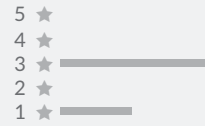


I appreciate the way Covid 19 is being handled in the school. My kids feel safe. It's important that myself as well as my kids feel safe about going to school.





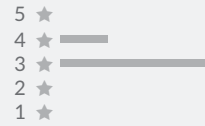
I am SO appreciative of the amazing staff and admin at our school! I can't describe how much I appreciate them, especially this past year. The school is nothing without them.

2.8  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





Our daughter loves her experience at meridian

3.1  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





Improve the play based leading curriculum
Concerns over the large learning gap from kindergarten to grade 1

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Not enough ratings to rank





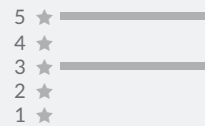
Appreciate the collective team that has supported my child at school My son has anxiety and it takes grace and compassion to support him and we have that at Muir Lake

3.3  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank




I really appreciate the communication that is available between parents and Administration. Communication is key as a parent with a student in grade 10. The high school environment is so new to families, and MCHS has made the transition easy

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Not enough ratings to rank




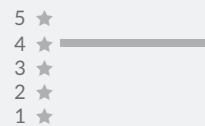
Children's lives have been disregarded along with the parents trying to hold things together This is our lives

2.6  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank



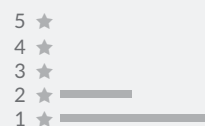
I appreciate Mme Sommers and her communication skills. She is very dedicated and very helpful.

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Not enough ratings to rank





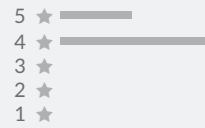
Not being able to look at the Lost and found
My son has lost so much stuff as he has this year, most of it has Mabel's labels with his name on them, that's a big cost to me. I know Covid

2.4  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank




Concerned that there is a great divide that has been developed between staff members....initiating from Admin. Staff morale is at an all time low...many staff off on stress leave.

3.5  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





I appreciate the staff and how they have worked through these unforeseen times. I do not like the bell schedule at Greystone Comp. it is not family friendly or work/life friendly.

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Not enough ratings to rank





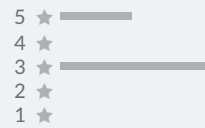
I appreciate the work of the teachers They are far more engaged with the students than the chaos that the children faced in the Spring.

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Not enough ratings to rank





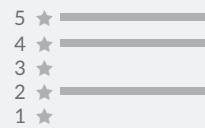
I have concerns about the mental health of the kids and what is being done to deal with it. Group info sessions are like sending an email out. Don't feel like students have enough support. It should be the #1 priority during these times. The school has our children 80% of the day

3.3  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





I am concerned about staff wellness and burn out. It's important because if staff aren't well, students are not receiving the best possible education.

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Not enough ratings to rank





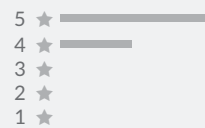
We have enjoyed the experiences at Graminia Positive environment will leave a solid foundation for the students as they mature

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Not enough ratings to rank





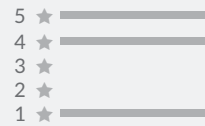
Staff I have had been treated tremendously by school staff when coming to the school

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Not enough ratings to rank





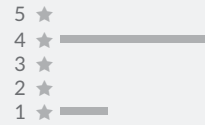
Kids should be mandated to wear masks, schools are a mass gathering The kids don't get sick, they bring it home to their parents who get sick and then take it to work and infect anyone in contact with them.

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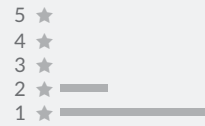
Our school division has obviously put a tremendous amount of effort into being flexible to accommodate the needs of our children during this school yr Its necessary with the huge variety of needs each family has

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Not enough ratings to rank





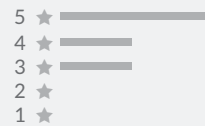
I oppose mask wearing in schools. When did the illusion of physical health become more important than mental health and broader sense of communication We are suffering more than acceptable with mask wearing

2.2  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





I appreciate the kindness and effort from all the staff that keeps our children in the classroom

3.6  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank



I appreciate the programs of choice and small class size. Diversity of choice is essential and fewer classmates means more attention and better learning outcomes.

3.0  (4 )
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Ability to highlight offerings of French Immersion For the families enrolled we need to ensure the information from CPF Parkland chapter is shared throughout the division.

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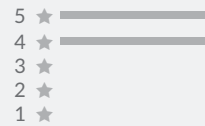
Bullying & how it is dealt with Better communication between transportation & schools. We have dealt with issues on the bus for 2 yrs and now with the same child in school.

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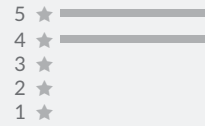
I appreciate how accommodating everyone has been with such a topsy turvy year I strongly feel r/t to school was NB for my daughters mental health. Knowing everyone was doing everything to keep school open and safe was appreciat

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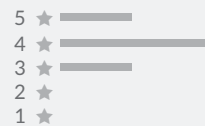
The pivoting with Covid has been great this year. Way better than last spring (which is understandable). The new restrictions and increased cleaning measures have helped which is great.

3.7  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank




Be more ready for pivoting into online when the weather gets cold. So the kids don't miss out on any learning.

3.4  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





I think the way that PSD and Muir Lake rolled out their COVID policies was effective and the staff at MLS made the transition back to school positive

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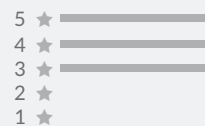
Coping with COVID-19 My school has worked hard to make school "home" for our students amid all the challenges of COVID-19.

3.2  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Appreciate the steady stream of information in general from High Park School and our child's teacher. Getting updates and advance notice on things is wonderful and I know that not all schools and teachers communicate as well or as often.

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Not enough ratings to rank



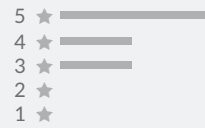
I appreciate the steady communication from PSD and High Park School regarding COVID-19. Having regular communication helps to ease the stress of the situation.

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Not enough ratings to rank



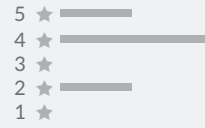
I appreciate the difficulties our current world situation brings to education delivery.

3.6 ★★☆☆ (4 👤)
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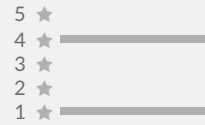
Information has been clearly communicated to parents in a timely manner

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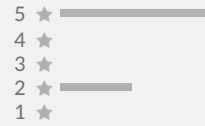
Millgrove has done a great job keeping students safe during covid

2.8 ★★☆☆ (4 👤)
Not enough ratings to rank



I am concerned about the lax attitude towards COVID protocols arising recently in school. Students working in hallways, classes not staying separated in hallways, not waiting in classrooms until it is time to transition to a new space.

3.4 ★★☆☆ (3 👤)
Not enough ratings to rank



I appreciate PSD's trust in teacher professionalism and our ability to make choices right for our classrooms and situations.

3.4 ★★☆☆ (4 👤)
Not enough ratings to rank



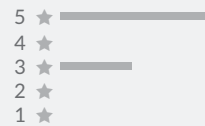
It's not always bullying. The term is being overused and or used in the wrong context. Bullying is when a person is personally being targeted everyday. Negative interactions that occur infrequently or randomly is not bullying.

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Not enough ratings to rank





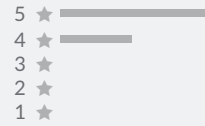
Stony Memorial teachers have done a great job with instruction online. The teachers went above and beyond. Any supplies my son needed were offered, teachers always answered my questions, and secretarial staff were so accommodating.

3.5 ★★☆☆ (3 👤)
Not enough ratings to rank





Lack of resource for students who are not considered "exceptional." Many behaviour students are not being identified by learning services as having needs. There is a lack of resources to support these kids.

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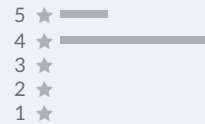
Extra math support

3.3  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Kudo's to the Custodial Staff. School looks amazing always.

3.6  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





I appreciate that buses are cancelled the day before giving parents time to organize for the next day

3.0  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





I have appreciated the communication to all the staff from the Superintendent's office, during the Pandemic. Communication to ALL LEVELS of staff is so very important.

3.3  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Appreciate that school counselling/mental health is being considered a priority but am concerned that it still is not high enough of a priority. All mental health/education experts have proven that if we do not make mental/emotional health a priority, then academic performance will decrease.

3.1  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank




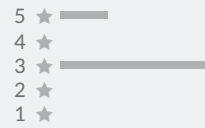
Love the MCP program. It's an important part of our family love to be taught the principles in the bible and to have our kids faith encouraged at school.

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Not enough ratings to rank




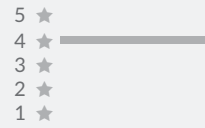
How do we retain our top quality teachers?
It's the teachers that make the school experience positive or negative. I've seen lots of stress leave, early retirement and moving to other positions. Some of our best teachers/staff need more to keep them from leaving.

3.2  (4 👤)
Not enough ratings to rank




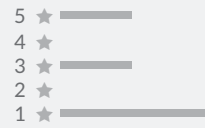
Kindergarten and gr 1 should continue to be experiential. I worry that the powerschool continuous grading will see regression in playbased learning Teacher's may feel pressure to document learning in kindergarten if they have to submit grades constantly on powerschool instead of using SeeSaw

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Not enough ratings to rank




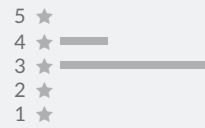
MCHS needs the access road widened or another way in or out of the school Bottle neck to get in or out

2.8  (4 👤)
Not enough ratings to rank




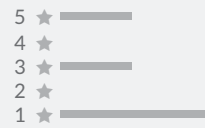
Outdoor learning is now more important than ever Outdoor lessons are motivating, provide real-life examples and time outdoors reduced stress and spread of disease

3.1  (4 👤)
Not enough ratings to rank




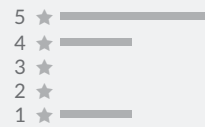
Wellness is more important now than ever, PSD is doing a great job! Knowing what resources are available and what other kids are going through will help all families support students in pandemic times and normal times

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Not enough ratings to rank




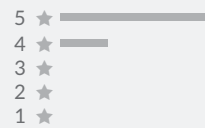
We need Humanity in Bussing There will always be unique situations (like train crashes) and we need a transportation system that can adapt and do what's best for individual stude

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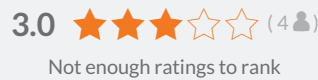


Cohorts only matter when it suits Students in hallways, staff supervising all over, behavioral students sent to different cohort areas during recess. No consistency

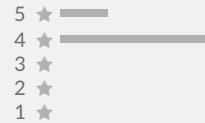
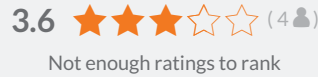
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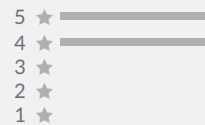
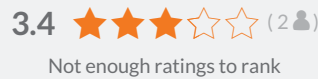
Lower grades to wear face masks in school and in particular on buses Our kids were exposed to positive case on school bus and the kids that tested positive for Covid were lower grades and no masks



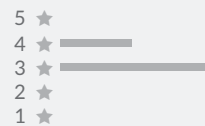
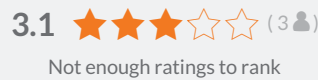
Increased transparency in student progress and ways to improve. Parents don't always have a clear image of their child's efforts based on grades alone and increased clear communication makes it easier.



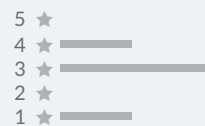
Consistent PPE protocols for grade 4 and up Keep kids safe and limiting the exposure to COVID-19



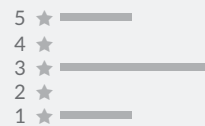
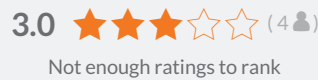
Lack of consistency with school rules, very few consequences - even with Covid protocols Its very frustrating that not all staff are following rules, and others are disrespected by students for trying to enforce them



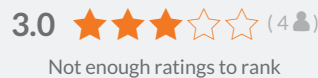
I appreciate that Parkland is doing their best to protect students and staff from covid-19. We are living through unprecedented times and the communication and efforts have been positive.





Did not see why the older kids were sent home Seemed like the school was doing babysitting for the younger kids. My child had construction. That's a course you can't do on-line No money was refunded.

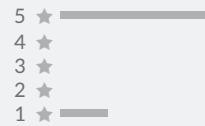


The school division did a great job of getting our kids back in school I like the 1/4 system School is doing a great job following the rules My child does better in person than on-line





Staff morale has never been lower We are losing amazing teachers and the students are missing out on a great education

3.4  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





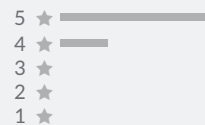
This list The comments seem very biased towards patting people on the back for doing their jobs, be it staff or parent. I didn't know there were options?

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Not enough ratings to rank





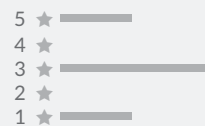
Vaping is a problem at school I've attempted several times to confiscate vapes from my daughter but she is able to get replacements easily because "everyone at school has one".

3.8  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank



For the past few years, I feel like Muir Lake's reputation of being a great, community based school has been sliding. The sense of community and connection is everything, especially in today's world.

3.0  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Both the prinical and vice-principal are doing a fantastic job with school upgrades and future planning. The school is looking a lot better. Kids need to feel like their school compares to others and that it is an important place to be.

3.1  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank




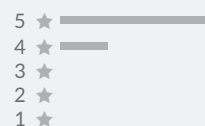
Snow Days / Content Student who make it to school on days where transportation is cancelled, should not "suffer" compare to students who do not come to school

3.2  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Teachers have been decent in class at the high school, however they turn so negative in the halls and lunch area. It's important for teachers & staff to not constantly nag at students as to where they eat and how they eat. It's a very negative atmosphere.

3.8  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





Would like for the school to be more covid conscious...junior highs are not always following protocol

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Not enough ratings to rank




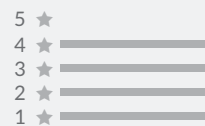
Due to school closures last year, our students are behind where they normally would be. Although I don't blame the school. Falling behind in curriculum means unprepared students for next level of learning.

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Not enough ratings to rank





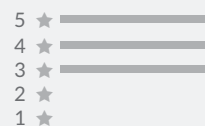
My child is very happy with all aspects of the school This is very important because he and other students had a very hard time with being bullied and redaculed at his old school copperhaven

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Not enough ratings to rank





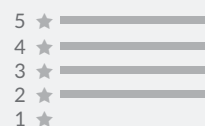
We haven't had a staff meeting in a while. it's important to keep staff engaged at this time it seems many are keeping close to their work area so it's good to get boost morale

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Not enough ratings to rank



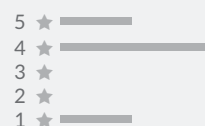
There needs to be increased expectations that all school staff and students are treated respectfully and professionally by all parents and guardians. Staff, students and parents should be treated appropriately at all times and there should be no tolerance of any inappropriate behaviour from parents.

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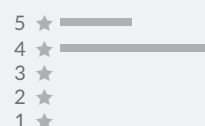
Our rural bus route is unreasonably long. We live 13km paved hwy away from the school. The bus ride home is almost 1.5 hrs with 2 transfers. The lack of reasonable bus commute means we've had to drive our young children each day for kinder and grade 1. It impacts our work and finances.

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Not enough ratings to rank





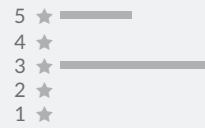
Vehicle access to the school is abysmal and unsafe. The access road should be twinned and traffic flow improved. The is virtually no access for emergency vehicle during start and end times.

3.5  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





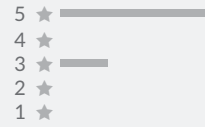
Muir Lake school needs an out of school care program Being a rural school, having a program that runs in the school would give parents options other than bussing their children somewhere else for care.

3.3  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank





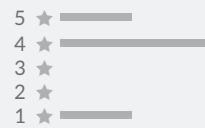
I am concerned with disparity caused by the current realities. Students who are disenfranchised are even more so now. Communities are only as strong as their weakest members and Covid-19 is making our weakest members even weaker while our Strongest members cope well.

3.7  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





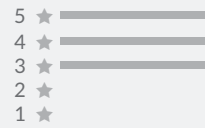
2021-2022 calendar, spring break, does not align with other school divisions. I appreciated how in the past PSD's spring break aligned with other school divisions. PSD's spring break doesn't align with other divisions next year.

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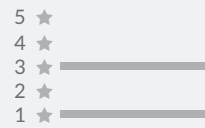
Division communications seem infrequent. Important to hear from Board and Superintendent as well as from school.

3.4  (3 )
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Excellent positive School atmosphere Our school staff has done an outstanding job keeping school spirit positive during these trying times.

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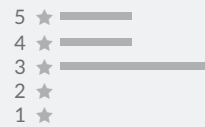
Caring staff make our kids' school a welcoming positive place. Our young kids are having a positive experience in grade one.

3.1  (3 )
Not enough ratings to rank





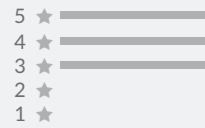
I appreciate the hard work PSD staff members have put in during the Covid-19 pandemic. It would have been easy for people to feel defeated but so many people stepped up and made it manageable.

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Not enough ratings to rank





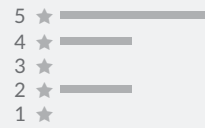
Appreciate the dedication of teachers providing online instruction alongside in-person instruction. Keep learning going despite pandemic.

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Not enough ratings to rank




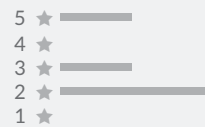
Kids need more community involvement It's important they learn from other organizations. Money management, shovel a senior driveway

3.4  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank




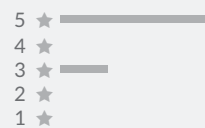
I appreciate the increased transparency and honesty in the past couple of years concerning major division decisions. Division office has been forthcoming and transparent regarding difficult decisions over the past couple of years.

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Not enough ratings to rank





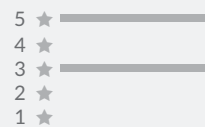
staff mental health I am concerned about staff mental health. The restrictions of staff not being able to socialize during breaks is taking a toll on their well-being.

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Not enough ratings to rank





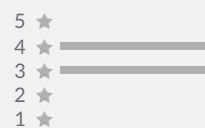
BULLYING NEEDS TO BE DEALT WITH IN A MUCH BETTER MANNER AND NOT LEFT TO STUDENTS TO "FIGURE IT OUT FOR THEMSELVES" Not everyone knows how to deal with unsavoury comments and being told to kill themselves on a daily basis. Our children should be better protected.

3.4  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank





More one on one for students in class who need more attention and to help keep them from outbursts and inappropriate behaviour toward others There are some students who don't have the appropriate skills to be in a classroom without adequate observation compared to others.

3.1  (2 )
Not enough ratings to rank





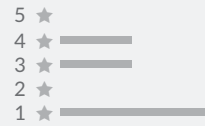
I appreciate all the hard work the staff has done to protect my child from COVID-19. I appreciate the effort they put into him to continue learning I was afraid he would lose out a whole school year worth of learning but he has come a long way especially with his reading which he struggles with

3.0  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank




Good community spirit at school Muir Lake in the past offered a welcome BBQ, organized event days like wear your jersey day, etc, offers school merchandise.

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Not enough ratings to rank





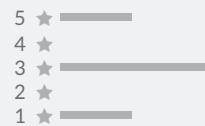
CFE staff meetings Miss having these. Even virtually, it was nice to connect and feel some people-energy for a few minutes. (Perhaps we could do something fun?)

2.8  (3 
Not enough ratings to rank





Working from home I'm grateful to have this option available.

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Not enough ratings to rank




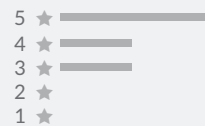
Tries hard to be inclusive As a minority I appreciate the attention to positive diversity

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Not enough ratings to rank





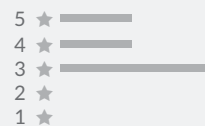
Great online program during COVID, and options for hybrid learning. Need options depending on what is going on with COVID. Nice to have a good program in place.

3.6  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





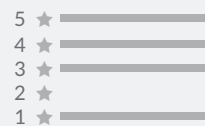
Teachers care and are concerned about the students Teens don't talk to their parents alot. It's nice to hear if she is doing well or struggling in school.

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Not enough ratings to rank





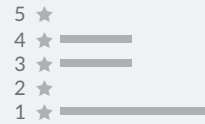
I appreciate colleague support Even when we are not able to eat in the same room my colleagues understand and can help converse around the situation we are in

3.1  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





It boggles my mind most other schools have no clue what we do at CFL.

2.7  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank



I have concerns as to why we implemented new report cards during a pandemic.

3.0  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank




I truly appreciate how much effort our teacher at Entwistle has put into making sure the parents/families of the students still feel engaged. I love feeling involved with my daughters education and this year has been a struggle in that area, but the pictures and updates have been a God send

2.8  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





Appreciate a great school communication plan As Covid rules change, I'm updated by both Parkland School Div., and Brookwood. I'm getting update burnout.

2.8  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





As a parent I feel very disconnected this year. Its hard to be engaged, when I don't know WHAT that looks like, or who to engage with in this COVID world. Will next year be different?

3.0  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





Family They stick together

2.7  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank



Quarter system not good for many students The speed at which the curriculum is delivered does not allow for any time for meaningful thought or understanding. No time for info to sink in.

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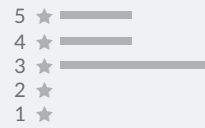
Students need more flexible approaches to learning. Once a skill is attained, students should be able to move on rather than being assigned boring, repetitive work.

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Not enough ratings to rank





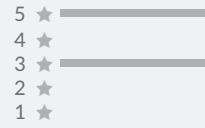
I do not agree with the change to the inclement weather policy. It is poorly worded, ill-conceived, and was implemented without sufficient notice.

3.3  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





I would like to see more communication from the teachers, using an app or an email, keep parents informed, My child struggles with what need to be done, and I don't know what needs to be done, I would like to be kept in the loop.

3.4  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





I appreciate how hard the staff and admin have worked to make an inclusive space for my child. It's important to me that even though my child has delays and obstacles to overcome he is still treated as a part of the class.

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Not enough ratings to rank





Snow days, not sure why we couldn't quickly switch to at home learning. Too many days off for the kids.

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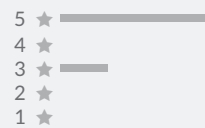
Stuck on why there's no snow removal I watched two kids wipe out this morning, one of them biting it twice just trying to get around the corner.

2.8  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank





Be nice to have a play ground, social events like dances etc for middle school kids. Obviously not with Covid but in the future years. social engagement out of structured school times is important for development.

3.7  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank



The school board is too lenient when it comes to attendance, absenteeism and tardiness. Especially important with children who are struggling to begin with. Has been an issue pre-COVID so cannot put it on that.

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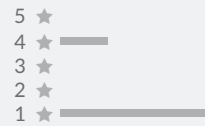


Supervision at recess is great, but I feel that the supervisors (at times) go off what they see and not always hear both sides of the story.

Perception is not always enough to tell a story and there is two sides to every story. The supervisors should investigate more into incidents.

2.4  (4 👤)

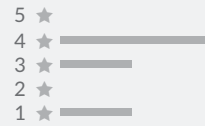
Not enough ratings to rank



French Immersion Teachers are open to helping both students and parents in the development of learning a new language

3.0  (4 👤)

Not enough ratings to rank



I think it is great that the school offers a counselling program, but I feel the children aren't given enough opportunity to use this benefit. It helps provides a safe place that the kids can discuss things they may not feel comfortable discussing at home or with their teacher.

3.2  (4 👤)

Not enough ratings to rank

