2020 MCHS THOUGHT EXCHANGE REPORT

Parkland School Division 70 Memorial Composite High School

Q1 What are some things you appreciate and some concerns you have about our school this year?

Staff is very kind and helpful A students chance of success increases when they Feel accepted and like they have someone to go to Ranked #1 of 29 if need be. Vaping in the bathrooms My child indicates that EVERYTIME he uses the bathroom someone is vaping in there. Ranked #2 of 29 **Programs** Trade Options that are available Ranked #3 of 29 I am very impressed with the option courses available to my child this allows our child to gain a wide berth of experiences which helps in Ranked #4 of 29 his growth and development as well as provides him potential career ideas Trade programs We need more classes in the trades, mechanics, fabrication and building construction for grade 11 & 12. Ranked #5 of 29 I appreciate teachers being open and wiling to **speak to parents.** Showing there is an open door makes parents feel comfortable.

Ranked #6 of 29

More participation and advertising of school 5 * --sports and community sports. Engage media 4 *= 3 ★ students to take pictures and have write ups Ranked #7 of 29 2 * on what's going on Encourages the kids to be 1 * active and supports them making them less likely to engage in drugs and drinking. Principal is great. She's communicactive. I also like the e-news letter. my daughter is not 4 * always forthcoming about whats happening Ranked #8 of 29 2 * at the school. I have a basic understanding of 1 * --whats is going and what is available to Trin. Very friendly and helpful staff! Welcomed us openly and treated us fair 4 === 3 🖈 🚃 Ranked #9 of 29 2 * Activity on PowerSchool I love how detailed the class scores are on PS, it helps keep me informed as to how my son is doing and what Ranked #10 of 29 2 == he is missing I appreciate the efforts for the teachers to help prepare students for quizzes, and exams 3 *= Teachers are awesome and very helpful with Ranked #11 of 29 2 * everything my child needs. Thanks Parking lot Only one entrance/exit. 5 \pm = 3 * == Ranked #12 of 29 So far I am very impressed with the level of involvement the childs teachers display for his education Having a teach show genuine Ranked #13 of 29 2 *= care and attention helps our child succeed

I love Powerschool Powerschool allows me access to attendance, grades and missing assignments as well as an easy way to communicate with teachers





I appreciate how open the school is, being a new high school parent, I am pleased with the level of communications To be able to understand what is going and and how to be involved with our childs schooling





A multitude of ethnicities at this school and all are treated the same-no one is better than anyone Inclusion gives children a sense of well bieng and helps them to fit in with peers and make freinds easier



The sense of community and philanthropy I think that the sense of community within the school and community at large is incredibly important to ensure that students are mindful of the world.



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Our student is in Outreach at both Stony and Spruce Grove. I am impressed and appreciative of the support given by the secretaries. Their coordination of the schedule and people is amazing and vital!



Scheduling parent teacher interviews would be great. Taking 2 hours from standing in long lines to speak to teachers is terrible. A more organized way would be great.

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parking in the no parking zone is dangerous If something were to happen, emergency vehicles couldn't reach the school front entrance quickly

Bullying is an issue. These are young adults, bullying needs to be addressed before someone gets hurt.



My concerns involve the amount of funding allocated to the arts programs. The sports programs receive more funding and recognition and I don't agree I believe students have a much more well rounded character when they are involved in art programs. Sports are competitive and promote hostility.	2.9	★ ★ ☆ ☆ (13 ♣) Ranked #22 of 29	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
I appreciate that Vaping has been address much more then in years past. Even last year it prevalent in the school that students did not have any where that it wasn't showing up (bathrooms), this year that is not the case	2.9	★ ★ ☆ ☆ ☆ (9 &) Ranked #23 of 29	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
Love the atmosphere, the programs and the building. The staff has been very helpful to my kids. Dislike the automated call at 4:40 on my drive home.	2.9	★ ★ ☆ ☆ ☆ (5 &) Ranked #24 of 29	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
Vaping I think that as an epidemic we need to be mindfulnot to trap the kids who DO NOT participate into a guilty before innocent scenario	2.8	★ ☆ ☆ ☆ (7 &) Ranked #25 of 29	5 ★ — 3 ★ — 2 ★ — 1 ★ — —
The teachers at Outreach must have a special calling to be there. Their patience and care is obvious and appreciated. Being an approachable and helpful teacher who can get to know each student makes for kids who want to be at school.	2.7	★ ★ ↑ ↑ ↑ (10 ♣) Ranked #26 of 29	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
As a parent of a kid who is struggling with eating properly I am thankful for snacks at Outreach. Thank you to whoever buys and stocks a small pantry for kids at school. I know learning is better when the body is fed.	2.6	★ ↑ ↑ ↑ (11 &) Ranked #27 of 29	5 ★
I wish there was Stony Outreach on Friday			

afternoon. It seems we get going by the end of 2.6 ★★☆☆☆ (10 &) the week and might use this extra time.





Are you prepared to take action towards the covid 19 virus, such as closing the school to clean and sanitize.





Students having access to course content			
online has allowed my student to stay caught			
up even when she unable to attend. This has			
decreased the amount of stress she feels about			
her absences and has allowed her to show her			
knowledge with less stigma attached.			

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The changes to the West end bussing have lessened the amount of time that my students **spends in transat.** This allows my student more time for homework and freetime outside of school.

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Not enough ratings to rank

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Our education team (everyone involved from teacher - admin)at MCHS has been a major factor in my student's success despite numerous health challenges. This has allowed my student to show her abilities without judgement for her absences.

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There is not much time between classes and waiting to use the bathroom because it is full of little kids is an issue.

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Not enough ratings to rank

Vaping in the school/bathrooms needs to be addressed! Harsher consequences.

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Having Preschoolers screaming while high school students are trying to write exams is unacceptable. Students need to be able to concentrate while writing exams!

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The Councillors continue to be wonderful! Students feel comfortable going to speak with them!	0.0 ☆☆☆☆ (0 ♣) Not enough ratings to rank	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★	
I appreciate the opportunity for students to join the Rotary Interact group. This is a very accessible, successful, community service and leadership development program.	3.2 ★★☆☆☆ (1♣) Not enough ratings to rank	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★	
I appreciate the opportunity for students to play on school sports teams. They provide opportunities for social connection with other students, physical activity and exposure to teacher-coaches.	3.2 ★★☆☆☆(1♣) Not enough ratings to rank	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★	
I appreciate the course selection guidance Mrs. Porter offers students. She has a broad understanding of options relevant to the individual student, and is willing to make changes with a positive and helpful approach.	3.3 ★★☆☆☆ (1♣) Not enough ratings to rank	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★	
I appreciate the opportunity to meet and discuss with teachers at parent-teacher interviews. It is an opportunity to establish rapport with the teachers and exchange feedback.	3.2 ★★☆☆☆(1♣) Not enough ratings to rank	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★	
student is doing a sport allow them an extra 5 mins to get changed maybe they need a washroom to freshen up, that is the only problem I see with the school they need to allow more time for students in sports to change and get to their next class	2.6 ★★☆☆☆ (2 &) Not enough ratings to rank	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★	
Please get EAs who can actually assist our kids to learn nit just those who cannot assist and are on their cell phones. Not impressed. Our kids enable funding so EAs can be hired and to assist with their IPPs. Get people who can be of assistance otherwise why are you in class.	3.6 ★★☆☆ (2 ♣) Not enough ratings to rank	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★	