



2019 MEMORIAL COMPOSITE HIGH SCHOOL 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?

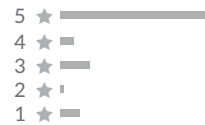
Parking lot It's like a giant game of bumper cars, there needs to be an additional exit/entrance.

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Cuts to creative options have a far deeper impact than just to the budget. Students NEED creative options. The world does not just run on Math, Science, English and Social.

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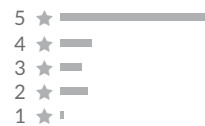
I am concerned with the parking and one entrance to the parking lot. Time efficiency - Safety one entrance is not acceptable.

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MCHS has an access and parking problem. There is only one way in, one way out and limited parking. It is a nightmare getting in and out of there at busy times.

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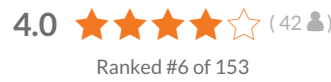


I appreciate power school. I can see my child's mark standing and attendance. Please input "missed assignments" Thank you!

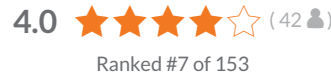
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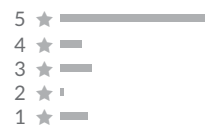
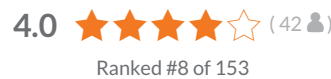
I appreciate the instant communication I have with most Staff It's important to me to be up to date on my child's progress



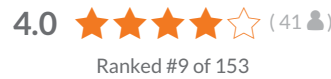
I wish you would give more time and not base solely on numbers. These kids need diverse options. We all benefit from art. Art is everywhere. If these kids aren't given this as an option you are seriously robbing them. Kids need this outlet for expression, stress relief, a place to belong.



Kids need to be inspired. Music inspires, it heals, it comforts, it loves us when we feel like no one else does. It brings people together. It brings hope, it brings a future.



I appreciate the construction, fabrication, cosmetology and other hands-on programs All kids need a place to succeed, no matter what their strengths



I really can not believe that the mass choir won Provincials last year and then were immediately told they were having cut backs. I feel as if people in the school system don't fully realize how important that is to these kids and the teachers. They work their butt off practicing





Respect for teacher and respect for kids. Important for good working relationships.

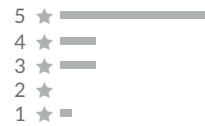


Parking Lot/Student Pick Up The traffic backed up for blocks is a good indication of the mess the current system is. Better flow is really needed.



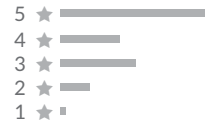
Concerned about recent announced cuts to arts programs at MCHS Arts are important - creativity, self-esteem builder

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Great teachers! Crucial in our children receiving the best education

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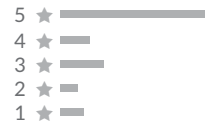
Kind staff. Concerns on lack of snow removal and vehicle congestion during peak hours. Parking lot is unsafe if emergency arose during peak hours. First responder would never be able to gain access

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Love the Musical Theatre Program It allows kids to bring out another side to themselves and showcase their talents.

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Love the PowerSchool It is important to me to be able to see how my child is doing throughout the year. Easier to see any potential problems

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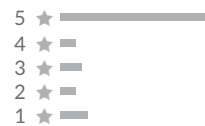
I love the way I receive info through emails and phone calls. At the high school age most of the onus is on the student now, being informed as a parent is important.

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I'm concerned with the cuts to the arts programming Learning arts (especially music) helps people's brains make connections that help in all aspects of academics and mental wellness.

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I am so disappointed that you are cutting the music and drama programs - it is devastating and I feel that you have zero appreciation for the excellent program and for the positive impact it has in the families lives, our community and our province


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Hello, Choral Music and Drama will be offered in 2019-20.

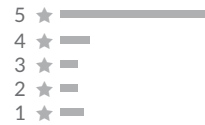
I really hope there is some way to reverse some of the cut backs on the arts programs. I really hope you all begin to see how damaging this is to them I cried with the teachers, current and former students when cut backs were announced last year, our hearts ache. We are all a team, always, forever.

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Cutting arts programs Art programs are always the first to be cut even though they are some of the most important programs, they are just as important athletics programs.

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Former student, loved the school. However super sad to hear about cut backs in the arts departments. Those were my people. That was my safe haven. Those teachers go above and beyond for their students. The programs improved my life immensely.

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Thank you to all those dedicated TEACHERS, whom on a daily basis work very hard with students to find their success. Teachers make the difference to each child whether they engage or don't engage in their classes.

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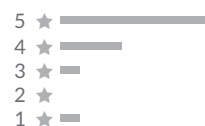
I'm concerned about the proposed budget cuts to the arts The arts are essential to any well-rounded education. They're as important as academics having a huge impact on brain function and cognitive ability.

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Power School This is a fantastic way to keep an open line of communication between the school and parents.

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As with any school, most of the MCHS teachers are very engaged, helpful and respectful; however a couple are not and should be addressed. If a student is unfortunate to get one that is not, it certainly removes the opportunity and motivation to do well. Class average should reflect.

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I thought the school was very clean and most of teachers were very approachable . It's important to have teachers who are passionate about teaching so they reach the students and make Learning easier and fun.

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I want to protect the Fine Arts Program Music does wonders for the students mind, both spiritually and educationally

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It is important to support such a marvelous program and to show the community and kids that you value creativity and not just sports

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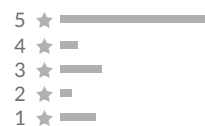
MCHS is very well kept. It is a clean, maintained and health environment for the children Makes a healthy learning environment. Well done cleaning & maintenance staff.

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Systematic dismantling of the MCHS Music Program Music is Important!!

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The school is very friendly and welcoming. I want my daughter to feel comfortable and safe in an environment that she will be spending the majority of her day.

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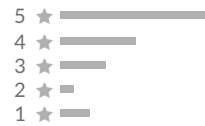
Arts on College applications A lot of programs love to see fine arts on a students application as they show commitment, discipline, and creativity which are ideal qualities.

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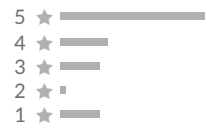
I appreciate the excellence in teaching and ability to connect with students shown by Mr. Weisenburger, Ms. Holton and Mr. Tokarsky These teachers are highly skilled in specialized fields and make learning these skills enjoyable for their students

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I remember being in 3rd grade and how excited I was to one day join the Memorial Choir program. How excited all the schools were to hear them sing. This choir inspired ALL school choirs around here. I went to multiple schools and attended choir at each and all of the kids roared with excitement.

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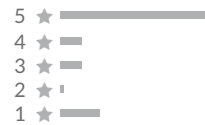
MCHS Choir Mchs choir has taken home so many awards, won so many competitions doing memorial proud.

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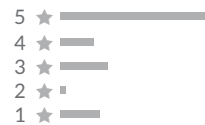
Many kids have gone on to have careers in the arts fields (music, drama, art etc) because of these programs right here at Memorial. Therefore cutting these programs, giving less options for the kids will make it harder for them to figure out what they want to do with their futures

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My son has learned so much and has grown and flourished with the music program and musical theatre program at Memorial Composite High School. The teachers are fantastic and go above and beyond. They inspire their students, the students are performing at such a high caliber level.

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Teachers that went above and beyond to help my child While I would say sadly, that this is more of a rare occurrence than the norm, one teacher this year went the extra mile to help my child feel heard.

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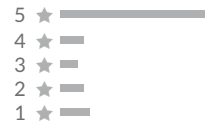
Music and Arts are essential for growth and development Every child learns differently and you need to keep the avenues open so all kids have an opportunity to find the way of learning to inspire/motivate

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The cut back on choral and drama programs I graduated for MCHS a couple years ago and the choir program was both the highlight of my highschool experience and was my safe place at The school.

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The parking lot is unsafe. There is only one way in and one way out for students for parking which is dangerous in an emergency & my child's vehicle has been vandalized numerous

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Teachers who are willing to help students on their own time Shows students that they matter

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Dislike that funding cuts for fine arts is a thought Need to have places for students who aren't sports focused

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Students are expected to SELFAdvocate, but when they do many teachers will not respond. They simply say you can figure it out . Who's the adult? We want our kids to speak, question, and explore,now we just instruct, we don't teach/engage students to learn.

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Vaping in locker rooms, classrooms and school in general. Principle made mention of the problem in a 19 page newsletter which was on page 16. This is a problem and should have consequences.

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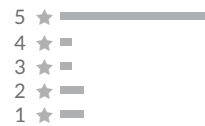
My daughter, coming from a small school has excelled at Memorial!! It's good to know that there's a place for everyone at Memorial!!

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It's ironic that while the Town of Stony Plain is actively promoting the arts, the high school is talking about cutting them. Where will the artists come from? It's sad and embarrassing that this is even an issue.

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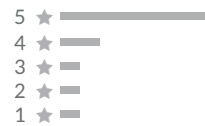
I took my daughter in jr high to the musical theatre production of The Addams Family and we thoroughly enjoyed it. Wanted to show her what she could look forward to when she goes to MemComp only to find out that the program has been cancelled! So disappointing.

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I appreciate the staff for taking time to get the students finished their quizzes or exams that they miss due to sickness. It's very important for the students to be able to finish the quizzes or exams they missed due to illness especially if they are aiming for scholarship.

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I appreciate the staff at Memorial high school. They have made my teens' high school years run very smoothly, which I appreciate.

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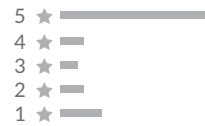
Sad to hear that drugs are a big problem at the high school. Getting the students ready for university, college, etc.

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Please do not cut the fine arte programs!!
They build strong, disciplined, committed students and citizens, and music and theater always bring people together.

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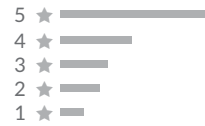
Canceling classes that were promoted at the school introduction to draw students to that school. My husband and I as well as my son are very disappointed in the way his English 20 AP class was canceled. There was no discussion with parents/student

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Class Choices I feel that the school has great offers for students, allowing a wide variety of options

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Fair budget cuts Budgets cuts should be decided fairly based on enrollment, competitions, awards won, and popularity. Not just chosen based on teachers preferences.

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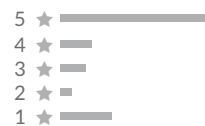
Ripped the heart out of the music program
Tearing apart a revered and respected musical co-teaching teaching team is completely unacceptable! You clearly don't understand or don't care

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The Mchs fine arts Fine arts programs help build and form people, they are safe outlets for kids to explore their creativity, passions and possible careers.

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Constable Gord is a HUGE asset and blessing to the school! I can't say enough about the positive influence this man has had on my child, and others at the school. They feel safe talking to him, he is helping!

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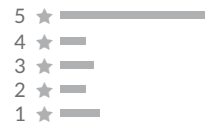
Cut to the drama/music programs is terrible!
These programs need to continue as there are so many ways that the young adults need them!

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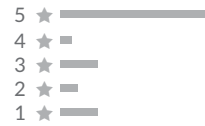
I am an MCHS alumna who in August will begin a Master of Music program in NC and I owe much of my musical success to the fantastic, well-rounded choral program at MCHS. The erroneous belief that music is simply a hobby damages everyone. Choir especially promotes teamwork, community & confidence

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Individuals who participate in music-making are happier, healthier and great critical thinkers. I love my life as a professional musician. Cutting music programs robs future students of opportunities for personal development - no other program can replace the profound effects music has.

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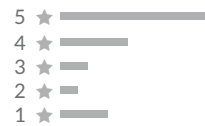
Most of the teachers are phenomenal at letting the students know they care. Students need to know the teachers care about their futures, for them to believe they need to know others do too.

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Cutting music funding Kids love to learn through music and theatre. It helps them come out of their shells and make new friends. Just as important as sports.

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Eliminating AP Students should be challenged scaffold achievement. How are we now challenging the students who were enrolled in the AP course?

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I appreciate the dedication and care given by the majority of the teachers and support staff of the high school in the development and growth in my daughters education

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I understand funds are possibly being redirected from music to mental health. Science has shown time and time again that music has an IMMENSE impact on mental health and cognitive function:

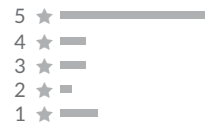
<https://bebrainfit.com/music-brain/>

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The arts provide the ultimate in team building. There's no opponent; no competition. The arts bring a group of people together to create something beautiful... together.

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Disappointed some teachers don't update PowerSchool very often How can you monitor a students progress if teachers don't update. Some do nothing until the end of term.

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Ice build up in parking lot. Student safety.

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Quality Education

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Second Languages Second languages allow you to experience a new culture, as well as a great way to look at the world in a different lense.

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Teachers being engaged with kids and the content being taught. Some teachers love what they are teaching and it shows. Others do not. Not impressed how my sons social teacher does not engage with kids.

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The high school teaches students to be responsible for their own education It prepares them for the 'real world'

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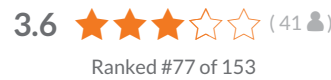


Teachers letting personal opinions about a student interfere with teaching those students. There are Teachers who may not 'like' a student, and are allowing those emotions to interfere with helping the student when they need the help

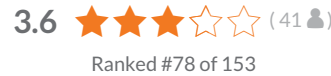
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Dismantling of arts program It builds up kids and creates a safe place for all



It seems that with the cuts to the arts that Memorial is looking to specialize in other areas, such as sports. However, as parents we seem to be left guessing as to what the end plan is.



MCHS has a great variety of options. Allows children to experience various opportunities and potentially choose a career.



Safety During 2 visits to the school this year I happened upon the beginning of a fight in the hallway. School should be a safe place.



I am deeply concerned about cuts to the Choral Music Program and Music Theatre Programs. The Choral Music program was rated #1 in the province, and has been drastically cut. Where has that funding gone?



I do appreciate how well the school communicate through multiple channels where there are messages that need to get to parents around safety, busing, upcoming events etc.



I do not want to see Memorial lose their arts. Every year they are cutting back on the Arts here and it would be a shame for students to lose something they love so much.

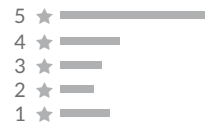


Teachers taking extra time to go over course material





Cuts to the musical programs So sad to see that something that was life changing and part of my older children's identity is being cut out of the high school courses.

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Cuts to the Arts programs Very sad to see continued cuts in the Arts programs. These teachers and courses have been a vital part of my child's identity and social connections

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Arts/drama programs at MCHS should NOT be cut back or discontinued. These programs are much more than just casual or unimportant. Many students find their inclusion here and use these skills effectively in later life.

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Appreciate Principal Carolyn Jensen's newsletter monthly. The more informed the better.

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Office Staff Always friendly, helpful & understanding! There's not many schools with an office staff like MCHS!!! Thank you ladies!

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Shout out to Great Teachers : K Nero, N Khan, S Ropert, J Ropert, A Breckinridge, D Bridgeman , S Branford! Thanks for connecting with your students and making your classes enjoyable and always being there for extra help!

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Music Program Cuts You have cut 3 music programs that used to offer credit towards graduation (Mixed Ensemble, Musical Theatre, Men's Ensemble) Why?

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Very very disappointed in the cuts to the fine arts program announced for the coming year
Fine arts provide: Academic and social benefits, school pride and prestige, contribute to the community. Memorial has excelled here-why gut it now?

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Great communication. I feel we know what is happening and all about events upcoming.

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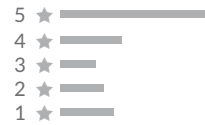
RAP program a great program for those students getting a head start on a career. gives them the opportunity to try out professions while still in school

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I am concerned about the cuts being made to the art program. Specifically to choir. This has been an integral and influential program for my kids. It's a safe place to be, a place to build confidence & resilience, a place of inclusion, cooperation, and a place to examine different points of view.

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Provincial level choir program - sad to see the cuts Breaks my heart to see the decline in the choir options. There is so much more happening there than can be monitored/judged by money and student #s.

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I am concerned that you are cutting musical theatre. My child was really looking forward to joining that program. When you have such talented teachers, it's a shame to not allow them to provide the quality programming they are capable of.

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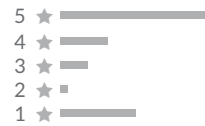
I appreciate a quality facility that is maintained and accessible.

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No focus on the arts The music program has been vital to many teens, including two of my kids. Why on earth is psd cutting it...so sports can continue to take president??

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There is lots of activities, clubs and options for the kids to select from The more kids get to experience now the better

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The early end times on Thursdays More time to schedule appointments etc so less school is missed

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High school teachers need to address feeder schools, and their certain weak subjects. Point out to administrators the problems that are occurring Not all schools are sendin* their students prepared for classes in high school, needs fixed, high school teachers should not be having to fix all .

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I am concerned Memorial high school is cutting back on the fine arts.

3.5  (21 
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Inconsistency with teachers some engaging and care others waste class time by eating sitting at desk for entire class , telling personal stories. Teachers need to connect with students, walk around look at how they are thinking offer help, answer questions. Be professional, be flexible, be open.

3.5  (13 
Ranked #104 of 153





I'm concerned that the AP English program has been terminated. Advanced English learning is so important for people to communicate in any profession they choose.

3.4  (43 
Ranked #105 of 153





Low rate of students qualified to attend post secondary school While it is important to graduate, it is also important to be qualified for any post secondary school

3.4  (43 )
Ranked #106 of 153





The teachers at Memorial want only the best for the students It make the students feel like they are truly understood

3.4  (43 )
Ranked #107 of 153




Credits Art programs are loved so much by students, not to mention they are an easy way to earn extra credits and get students closer to graduating

3.4  (41 )
Ranked #108 of 153



I do have concerns about when a child has difficulty with their grade coordinator, that there is no option for a change. Some students have special needs, when there is poor communication/interpersonal relationship with someone it can directly affect their success

3.4  (37 )
Ranked #109 of 153



The choir program is intrinsic to MCHS's identity and legacy, and to see it unceremoniously axed with no regard for this is completely abhorrent. When I went to MCHS, this program gave so many students the chance to feel a strong sense of community and accomplishment. It can't just die like this

3.4  (37 )
Ranked #110 of 153




My son enjoys most of his classes but loves going Sports Med class Its important class for my son for future interests , he says his teacher Mrs.Thomas makes it very interesting !!

3.4  (35 )
Ranked #111 of 153




The teachers are really great at engaging with the kids There needs to be a connection for the kids to learn

3.4  (30 )
Ranked #112 of 153





Communication between school and parents has improved The emails and phone calls have improved this past year ten fold.

3.4  (24 
Ranked #113 of 153




I am disappointed in the reduction of the Arts programs the arts are important to the creativity and expression of our youth, and encourages a participation in group endeavours teaching cooperation

3.4  (20 
Ranked #114 of 153



Improving the music program at English track Stony schools should help bolster MCHS' choir program in the future. EMHS's choir rocks, but French kids are all going to SGCHS. Other Stony schools need to get to that award-winning level; their grads will go to MCHS!

3.3  (36 
Ranked #115 of 153





MCHS has limited opportunity for children to exercise at lunch. Does not seem like going to the gymnasium is promoted. Children need exercise. It reduces, anxiety, tension, stress and has many health benefits. Make it more exciting or attractive to exercise.

3.3  (33 
Ranked #116 of 153



One math 20-2 for second semester Totally unacceptable core courses should be readily accessible to every student. Any excuse for this is of no concern to me when there are wait lists

3.3  (23 
Ranked #117 of 153



Concerns with some of the instruction not being delivered inclusively to all types of learners. Some classes only assess based on exams ; Students do learn differently and need to demonstrate in different ways . Not getting an accurate assessment . There's got to be more opportunities

3.3  (16 
Ranked #118 of 153





Memorial works hard to have all students graduate.

3.2  (43 
Ranked #119 of 153





Disappointed in thought exchange I should be able to vent my concerns without being given a limit on words or told how much I need to share.

3.2  (40 
Ranked #120 of 153





I'm concerned when buses aren't running , students are watching movies instead of getting regular classes or maybe extra help in classroom, etc Maybe few students could benefit 1: 1 with teacher

3.2  (39 
Ranked #121 of 153





Cutting Advanced Placement tells academically skilled students that they don't matter. English AP gave me a chance to work with other students who actually cared about the material, and helped challenge me and inspire me to excel.

3.2  (38 
Ranked #122 of 153





Cut of the AP programs. All of my kids were in AP. Learned so much more than minimum requirements and were there with others who were actually serious about learning.

3.2  (36 
Ranked #123 of 153





Many teachers at MCHS work very hard engaging students, being organized, and keeping their personal stories out of class. Teaching time more important Teachers waste time telling their stories with students, review question/answer time should happen. need to cover problem areas. Professionalism

3.2  (23 
Ranked #124 of 153





appreciate Kerry Campbell She is very helpful

3.2  (21 
Ranked #125 of 153





Not much help is given to children with learning issues. They are leaving schools uneducated, because god forbid you might fail a child.

3.2  (19 
Ranked #126 of 153





Our facility is amazing. Great place to work.

3.2  (7 
Ranked #127 of 153





I appreciate the information on school zone.
It's great to check in on how my daughter is doing in her classes.

3.1  (42 
Ranked #128 of 153





My son is in Grade 10 and I really appreciate how he has already been on open house trips to post secondary options in the City. Future Focus ! I have heard that Vaping, especially in the bathrooms is a huge problem.

3.1  (42 
Ranked #129 of 153





Current events. With everything going on politically in Canada I am surprised this is not a conversation with teachers and kids.

3.1  (40 
Ranked #130 of 153





I appreciated the "aboriginal family night" in December some other teachers showed up as well that was great to see. When I was in high school there we never had that..thus making myself personally feel less engaged in high school so I went to out reach.

3.1  (39 
Ranked #131 of 153





Math Teacher does not explain concepts in there entirety assuming the students have already mastered it all. No accountability or way to express concerns

3.1  (23 
Ranked #132 of 153



Parent council meetings are for ALL parents, you just have to want to participate , and engage in the school.

3.1  (23 
Ranked #133 of 153





The Options available at Memorial. Love that there is an amazing selection of options for the students to choose from.

3.1  (9 
Ranked #134 of 153





I appreciate the support from the staff at the school.

3.1  (6 )
Ranked #135 of 153





Students in dash 2 classes are not encouraged to take dash one classes.

3.0  (42 )
Ranked #136 of 153



Disappointed in thought exchange Just want to be able to share what I want without restrictions,limits, and minimums

3.0  (41 )
Ranked #137 of 153




Collaboration Time This seems to be a terrible waste of student's learning time.

3.0  (24 )
Ranked #138 of 153



Parent teacher conference Giving one night as the only option especially for core courses is not considerate or inclusive for all families, so this is not accessible

3.0  (23 )
Ranked #139 of 153



Teachers accountability Teachers when confronted dont seem to have the a accountability that they need to. Direct questions asked they dont want to answer

3.0  (23 )
Ranked #140 of 153




We have a busing problem in Parkland! West End students can have a 10+ hours school day including bus rides. When do these students get to do homework MCHS is our designated school, the bus ride to and from is more than 1 1/2 hours. When do these students have time for homework and down time, sports|

3.0  (23 )
Ranked #141 of 153




Narrow assessment practices create limited understanding wrote memory is not needed in these changing times Focusing on skills like critical thinking, managing, creativity and innovation in math and science is missing at the school . There needs to be a bala

3.0  (16)
Ranked #142 of 153




Concern about grads and credits Very short time frame for grads. Needs to be more emphasis on this earlier on!

3.0  (6)
Ranked #143 of 153



Appreciated the communication and newsletters Teenagers dont tell parents what's happening at school!only way I found out about things

2.9  (7)
Ranked #144 of 153



Seems to be a lot of teachers that DO NOT care about children's education Certain grade coordinators are more worried about their own image not the children

2.9  (5)
Ranked #145 of 153



Sign up online for course changes etc So impersonal and difficult to navigate at times.

2.8  (23)
Ranked #146 of 153



There are students that get on the bus at 6:30 am to go to their designated high school. These same students get home close to 5 pm. Should students spend nearly 10 hours in transit and at school? Majority of adults get paid overtime after 8 hours!

2.8  (21)
Ranked #147 of 153




I don't think that giving the students Graduating their certificates BEFORE they are done the year, is a good idea! We received our sons Grade Certificaye in the mail recently. He now has lost his motivation to continue to strive to do his best best!

2.7  (40)
Ranked #148 of 153





not liking the registration process and my pass does not always do what its supposed to do

2.7  (40 
Ranked #149 of 153



i have had one child use my pass but will not allow me to use it for the other child

2.3  (35 
Ranked #150 of 153



No vaping? Even in the smoking area? The smoking areas are technically not PSD property, and vaping is better than smoking anyway? I don't really get that .

2.1  (40 
Ranked #151 of 153



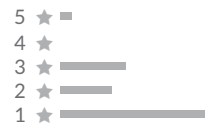
Why isn't there a native parent committee at the memorial high school My child is attending along with many other relations

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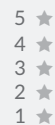
The constable at the highschool gives tickets without witnessing events. And offering pleas without educating the kids on what they are agreeing to Our son got a stunting ticket from a call in to the school. He was ticketed and not given the knowledge that of he took the ticket .

2.1  (21 
Ranked #153 of 153



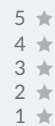
Classes not being available My son excelled in Grade 10 German and even though German was the first option he picked i feel personal bias kept him from getting in to Gr. 11 Germa

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Not enough ratings to rank





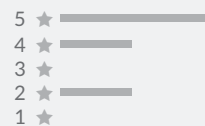
I am concerned that English AP is no longer offered. It also should have been grandfathered out for students invested in the program.

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Not enough ratings to rank







I think Memorial is a very welcoming school with helpful, caring staff. This helps kids to feel comfortable and safe at school and to succeed.

3.4  (4 
Not enough ratings to rank



It seems like students who are well behaved are often treated poorly and those who are trouble are babied. Students who are not trouble feel like they are treated like second class citizens compared to students who are difficult. What the heck?!?! Equality?

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Not enough ratings to rank



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Report cards are not accessible to all parents
1 in 5 adults have low literacy in Canada (PIAAC 2012). PSD report cards are written at a literacy level too high for the 20% to interpret effectively.

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Not enough ratings to rank


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Students in the dash 1 classes should be recognized differently than students in lower levels at the awards night when receiving honours. Teachers have no problem telling students they need to do more because they are in dash 1 classes but everyone is recognized the same during awards!

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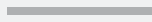






The councillors are wonderful! They are kinds, thoughtful and helpful. It is wonderful to have such approachable and supportive people to help our children prepare for university!

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The office staff is amazing! Anytime I call, they're friendly, helpful. They are respectful to my child, and so kind! They make you feel welcome!

3.4  (4 )
Not enough ratings to rank

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We all know that the parking lot situation is a disaster at the end of the day so try to figure it out! There should be some supervision out there at the end of the day. Utilize the constable on staff! It is a disaster waiting to happen.

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Not enough ratings to rank

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