

School Planning Council

Parent Survey Results

1. Kindergarten # Parents Surveyed 14

	Exceeding	Fully Meeting	Meeting	Not Meeting	No answer
2. Are you satisfied with what your child is learning at school?	2	7	5		
3. Are you satisfied that the staff treat all students fairly at school?	4	7	3		
4. Do your child's teachers help with schoolwork when needed?	1	8	3		2
5. Are you satisfied with the development of your child's reading skills at school?	1	6	5	1	1
6. Are you satisfied with the development of your child's writing skills at school?	1	6	5	1	1
7. Are you satisfied with the development of your child's math skills at school?	1	5	6	2	
8. Are you satisfied with the development of your child's computer skills at school?		1	2	3	8
9. Does your child have access to a computer at home?	yes	14			
10. At school, does your child get exercise (i.e. Physical activity or Sports)?	4	9	1		
11. At school, does your child learn about social responsibility?	2	7	3		2
12. Are you satisfied with the Fine Arts opportunities the school provides?	2	6	4	1	1
13. At school, does your child learn about taking care of the environment?	1	8	4		1
14. Are personal differences respected at your child's school?	2	7	4		1
15. At school, does your child learn about other cultures?		5	5	1	3
16. Does your child feel safe in the classroom?	6	5	1	2	
17. Does your child feel safe on the playground during school hours?	5	6	2	1	
18. Is your child bullied, teased, or picked on at school?	no	13	yes	1	
19. Does your child's school provide clear expectations for student behaviour?	5	7	2		
20. Are rules related to behaviour enforced consistently @ your child's school?	3	6	3		2
21. Do teachers care about your child?	7	5			1
22. Do you feel welcome at your child's school?	8	4	2		
23. Does your school tell you how your child is doing?	3	8	1	2	
24. Does the school support your child's learning at home?	3	5	5		1
25. Are you incl. in decisions made @ school that affect your child's education?	3	6	3	2	
26. Are you given the opportunity to be involved in the school planning activities?	6	6	2		
27. Do you volunteer at your child's school?	yes	12	no	2	
28. Do you know what the emergency procedures are at the school?	yes	12	NO	2	

"The answers that were left blank simply represent areas where I just don't know/can't answer; with a younger sibling I have not yet found an opportunity to participate within the classroom, but I can tell you my child is thoroughly enjoying himself and I have no concerns!"

Does the school support learning at home? "suggestions on report cards"

At school, does your child learn about other cultures? "I would like to see French included in daily lessons. Actually any language would be a bonus."

"Thankyou for the opportunity to share my opinions and for listening to my suggestions: Computers- I don't see any computers for the children to access/use in the Kindergarten classroom. Are they not exposed to computers at this age or is there simply no \$ to purchase?

Second Language Acquisition: I would really like to see some language other than English lessons integrated into each day.

Reading:Could parent volunteers be used to help with reading? Ie. In small groups or at a centre.

I would like to see more challenging centre tasks that focus on using manipulatives and following directions. Also, listening to a story (via head phones) and following along in the accompanying book.

Task Completion/ Challenge: Also, when students are finished academic tasks accurately, quickly and easily, could they be challenged with more difficult tasks while the others are still working?

Reporting Conferences: I would also appreciate a conference at the beginning of the year to share information about my child with his/her teachers. I understand that teachers have so many diverse responsibilities, including report cards/at least 3 times per year. With this in mind, I am happy to receive detailed reports on my child. However, I was surprised at the lack of personal and anecdotal comments on this first report card. Perhaps the comment banks could be used for the academic portion and more personalized, anecdotal comments could be used for the preamble/ social responsibility type comments at the top of the report."

"My family and I love Ridgeway Annex afternoon kindergarten class. We love the 2 teachers and all the opportunities for growth and development that abound.

Highlights include:- the Terry Fox assembly and walk, - guest speakers like the recent scientist who spoke about the animals hibernating- the Wish Foundation coin collection - the KM club and music class. We have found all the staff to be warm and welcoming except for one individual.

Overall, we are thrilled with Ridgeway Annex. My daughter really enjoys attending Kindergarten there and comes home with new things she's learned everyday.

Her on-going enthusiasm is a testament to how well the school is performing in stimulating her in her education. Thank you!"

"MY daughter went in to Kindergarten quite shy and definitely more of an "observer"- since September her confidence has sky rocketed and she has developed a huge desire to involve herself in everything. She absolutely loves kindergarten and comes home singing new songs/poems, telling me all sorts of new and exciting facts, etc...I think the staff at Ridgeway Annex are doing an absolutely wonderful job of combining fun and learning and creating a very exciting environment for these eager little people!"

"We are new this year. I am happy so far. Like the warm environment this school has to offer and the small size of the school helps you feel welcome and closer to all the other families. I would have preferred Kindergarten to have had only one teacher and feel it would have been better for the kids too. My child is happy and although I am unsure of how much she is actually learning in terms of printing and math skills, it is still early days so I'm hoping for more after Christmas break. I also have plans for more volunteer work with the school because as parents I feel we have a certain responsibility to be involved in the school and to help enrich our kids' experiences.

Thanks."

"We are very satisfied with the school and how our daughter is progressing."

"Ridgeway Annex is truly a special place- even though we have only been here since September. It provides learning opportunities that a larger school wouldn't provide.

The teachers and administration really seem to care about the students and provide excellent opportunities for learning. It is a well-rounded, caring community school. It is sad it will be closing in 2011. Thank-you!"