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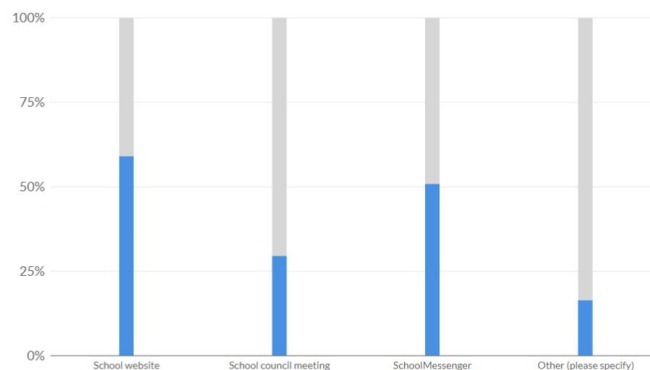
Royal Oak School Development Plan, Budget and Fees Parent Survey

Below you will find all charts and comments provided in the survey as they were written. Comments have not been edited for spelling, grammar, sentence structure, truncation or otherwise. Comments have been edited to ensure anonymity. We also edited or omitted abusive, discriminatory and otherwise inappropriate comments.

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We share SDP information and updates in different ways. Please indicate the ways you have learned about our SDP. Check all that apply.



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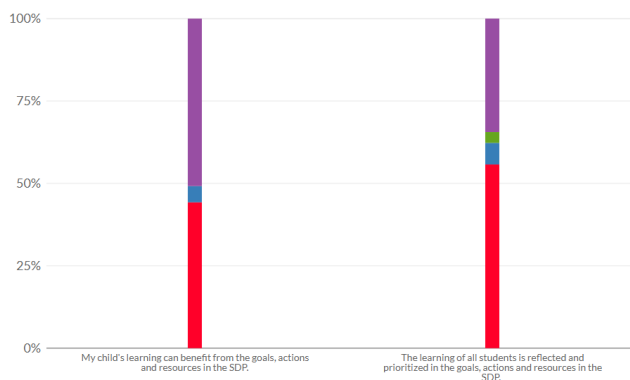
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The SDP is developed with all students in mind. Please select your level of agreement with the following statements:



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■ Agree
■ Disagree
■ Strongly Disagree
■ Strongly Agree



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Please share any other thoughts you may have about our SDP.

What happened to the full time gym teacher in an elementary school?

Mar 5, 2024

Is the plan always about math, language arts and wellness? Can it ever focus on science?

Mar 5, 2024

I feel like the information on how the school goals help all the students are not communicated clearly. Is the data shared on the website or emailed? I can not attend parent council meetings due to shift work and am just wondering how the goals impact all students

Mar 5, 2024

Literacy is important, and recognition to those students that excel above their grade should be given.

Mar 4, 2024

I have been confused how the school is tracking and sharing information about the different goals. I am also curious how all students are benefiting from the goals. How do data collected and shared with parents and staff? How have teachers decided what the next steps are? What exactly is being targeted?

Mar 3, 2024

As a RSW and parent I believe there should be a social worker to support families, teachers and students. The pandemic has increased anxiety with children and though things have improved there are residual issues that have been maintained. In the USA each school has a RSW for this reason and allows teachers to be teachers and keep focus on this area.

Mar 3, 2024

The school is not being given adequate resources to meet the needs of students in today's classrooms. I know teachers (and principals!) do the very best they can, but without additional funding, students will be left behind.

Feb 24, 2024

There is a lack of funding per student. The school has used given resources wisely and to mass benefit but there are not enough.

Feb 13, 2024

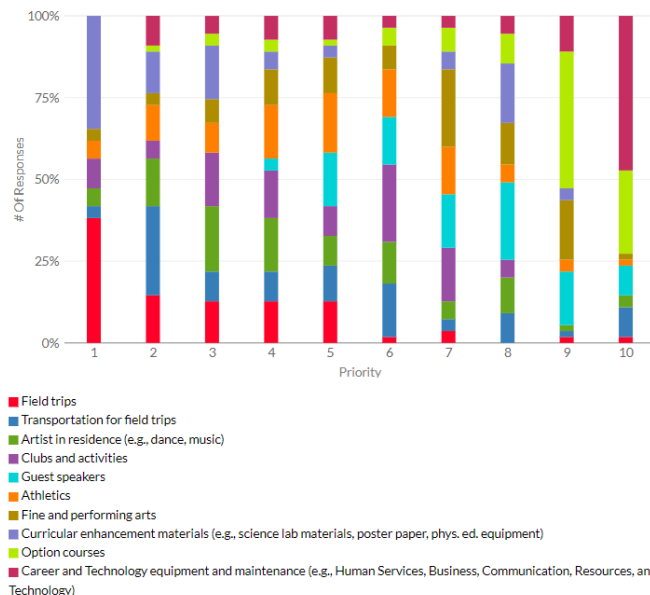
There can be more availability for individuals with physical and/or cognitive challenges to ensure they are learning in a safe and inclusive environment.

Feb 13, 2024



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Schools must operate within their budget and too many fees can be unmanageable for families. Knowing that, please rank the following activities and services in order of importance to you.



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Please share any other thoughts you may have about our school budget and fees.

Our family does not currently experience financial hardship but I respect that many do and I'm glad the fees are kept as low as possible for them. The government needs to step up and provide more money for quality education so the dollars are not stretched so thin.

Mar 5, 2024

Lower school fees

Mar 5, 2024

Full time gym teacher please. Not sure why Royal Oak doesn't have one considering schools our size around the city do. Physical activity is so important for health and wellness. The physical education program has not been as good since _____ left and it's probably because there has not been a full time gym teacher

Mar 5, 2024

I don't feel the fees reflect what my child gets in the classroom. I find the materials they use and have access to seem different than recent years. I wonder what the money funds and if there is a way to communicate that? If classrooms need more materials can that be a request for parent council to help fund?



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Mar 5, 2024

I know that fees are kept reasonable to accommodate families, but I wondered what difference it might make to have parents purchase school supplies for their children? (Pencils, crayons, etc). I felt that when my children were in kindergarten in grade 1, the supplies were very lacking - broken pencils and pencil crayons, only a few colours available, etc. I know this is a more complicated issue, as some parents may be unable to afford it. But perhaps if parents were able to purchase school supplies, there would be more funding for other things?

Mar 4, 2024

I have had three students attend royal oak school yet I noticed the supplies that have available to them is less and less. Why is that? I remember when my daughter had her own pencil kit, full of what she needed (highlighter, eraser, sharpener, pencil crayons, whiteboard marker, sharpie, pencils, and even more) and my youngest in grade 2 said that his class barely had enough whiteboard markers for everyone, the pencils are low quality, one sharpener per 6 kids, no sharpies because the teacher said they are not allowed to order them for the class anymore. What's going on? We are paying the same or more but getting less... is this due to budget cuts?

Mar 3, 2024

Elementary schools should offer clubs and activities.

Mar 3, 2024

I am wondering why there hasn't been any mention of field trips at all while it seems as though other schools around us are doing so. We have children in grades 2 and 5 and so far there has been nothing mentioned as well as any in school field trips or programs such as alien in line skating.

Mar 2, 2024

We would be happy to pay a bit more in fees if it meant another field trip a year or more sporting activities (alien in line) throughout the year.

Feb 27, 2024

We need more field trips. My child in grade 2 has had 0. Would be willing to pay more fees for more enhancement.

Feb 27, 2024

I am okay paying more fees if there are more additional learning opportunities for my child outside of the curriculum.

Feb 26, 2024

I am grateful that ROS is able to be substantially supported by the Fundraising Society/Casino funds in providing money towards many of these areas (such as technology, field trip transportation, artist in residence, in-line skating...etc).



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These add exceptional learning opportunities for students that could never happen on the school budget alone.
Feb 24, 2024

The fees are very reasonable and we are impressed with all of the resources the kids get.
Feb 20, 2024

More school fees to bring in the opportunity for our children ! Swimming Skiing Skating School dances Larger library
Feb 15, 2024

Lunch monitoring fees feel very high
Feb 15, 2024

As a low income family with assistance available, I would prefer to obtain my own supplies than pay a fee.
Feb 13, 2024

Parents should be able to budget if they are expected to cover only \$15-25 per activity. Some employers have benefits that will cover the cost and parents get reimbursed. If any families are unable to cover the cost, upon principal's approval, maybe their children's fees can come out of the school budget but this should be minimal to none. I am used to paying for education, coming from a very different education system where nothing is free, so I have no issue.
Feb 13, 2024

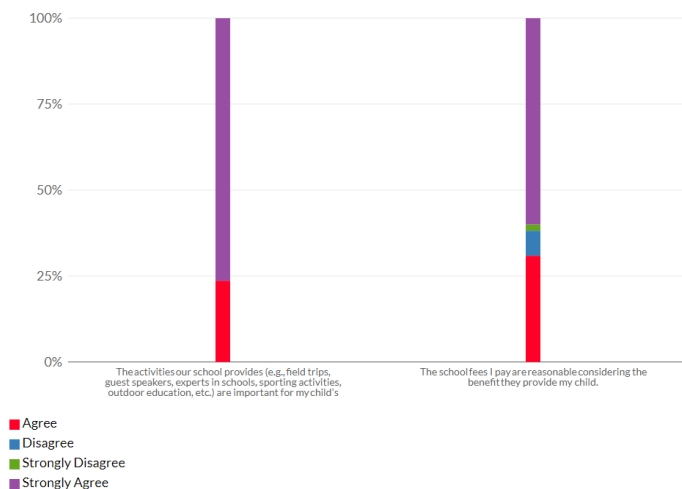
All of the activities are important and the Frontline teachers and students should not suffer the loss of any due to the salary of having many middle managers located in the CBE board offices. There should be transparent public information for why all these board office individuals are needed when students and teachers are being squeezed into larger classes with less resources. Bureaucratic red tape needs to be streamlined for the benefit of the children.
Feb 13, 2024

No issues with fees. Actually expected to pay more.
Feb 13, 2024



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