

## Q2 MODERNIZE CURRICULUM

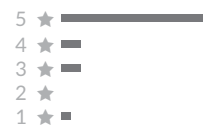
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### Q2 What are some ways that the OCDSB could improve how we support learning and well-being?

**Get a consensus-based sex-ed curriculum back.** Scary to think what key issues are not getting taught.

*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 1*

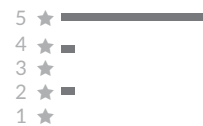
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**That's a big problem with schools that so much of what we're taught is about the world of our past and so little has anything to do with the present** We are sent to school to be prepared for reality that evolves very quickly, but our schools have not really changed for hundreds of years.

*Students Grades 9 to 12*

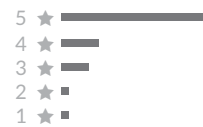
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**Sex ed curriculum should reflect current culturally reality** advocate for government to update the curriculum (not revert to old one)

*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2*

4.1 ★★★★★ (24)



**History is more than just old white men, tell us about it, all of it.**

*Students Grades 9 to 12*

4.0 ★★★★★ (20)



**Improve the sex-ed curriculum so that it teaches about consent, gender identity, online bullying, sexting. Increased knowledge keeps kids safe. We need to provide kids with good info about sex & healthy relationships, otherwise they will learn about this from other sources like friends & media**

*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 1*

4.0 ★★★★★ (12)



**Outdated course materials** Textbooks are old. The curriculum has been updated, but textbooks haven't! History textbooks especially need to be updated to recognize certain events

*Students Grades 9 to 12*

3.9 ★★★★★ (25)



**Stand up to the province and tell them our kids need inclusive, comprehensive health and physical education, incl. sex ed.** Going back to a curriculum that is decades old hurts our children, does not give them tools to deal with (cyber) bullying, abuse, mental health issues

*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4*

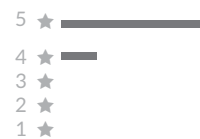
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**Push harder with the Ontario government to be able to use the updated curriculum! ie. health/sex-ed** The revised curriculum includes current and important content around online behaviours, gender, and respect. It's been developed it should be taught!

*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4*

3.9 ★★★★★ (5)



**Sex education curriculum** Some level of education on this topic is necessary to educate children on their bodies. To have scraped the entire curriculum without a replacement as

*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2*

3.8 ★★★★★ (24)



**Support the teachers and do not change the Health Ed curriculum because of political belief.** The students know that they are pawns in a political battle. The school board must speak up on behalf of all of their students.

*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2*

3.8 ★★★★★ (23)



**As a black parent, I would like to see more information in the curriculum related to Black Canadian and their contribution to Canadian society. I also think the school could benefit greatly by connecting with organizations in the African and Caribbean community who provide educational support**

*Community Members*

3.8 ★★★★★ (21)



**Push for up to date health and sexual education - do not revert back to outdated curriculum** All children need to feel true inclusion and learn how to be safe in regards to online behaviour

*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 3*

3.8 ★★★★★ (17)



**The problem is that the current system education was designed, made and structured for the Industrial Revolution and based on the enlightenment views** And our education system is modelled on the interests of industrialization, school are still based on the way a factory works.

*Students Grades 9 to 12*

3.8 ★★★★★ (12)



**You are trying to meet the future by what you did in the past, & on the way you're alienating millions of kids who don't see any purpose of school** Suddenly, degrees aren't worth as much since Bachelors are no longer a guarantee to getting a job. Nowadays people with degrees are often heading home

*Students Grades 9 to 12*

3.8 ★★★★★ (11)



**Bring back modernized Health and Physical Education Curriculum** Setting it back to the 1998 curriculum is doing more harm then good, kids need to know about current issues (eg. gender identity, cannabis use, etc.)

*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4*

3.8 ★★★★★ (6)



**Teaching informed choice and bodily autonomy** This is paramount. Health education needs to go forward, not back, to match the increasing complexity of information to which we are all exposed daily  
*Community Members*

3.8 ★★★★★ (6)



**When doing changes to the criculum in the future, don't revert back to old ones.** Yes, it may not be up to your standards, but its better then one thats older then any student currently in school. Sexed is not one that should revert  
*Students Grades 9 to 12*

3.7 ★★★★★ (25)



**A comprehensive sexual education with a focus on consent, gender identity variance, and health that encompasses more than abstinence**  
*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4*

3.7 ★★★★★ (24)



**Modern Sex/Health Education** Rolling back the curriculum to outdated an non-inclusive information is NOT helping our kids in our modern world.  
*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 1*

3.7 ★★★★★ (21)



**I believe the sexual education should not go backwards. Education should be inclusive, make students feel safe, and their concerns answered.**  
*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4*

3.7 ★★★★★ (17)



**Update the health curriculum** It should include mental health and topics that are relative to today.  
*Secondary Parents and Guardians - 1*

3.7 ★★★★★ (13)



**You wonder why kids nowadays are so messed up, and it's because we cannot cope with life in the 21st century when school is the same as it was 100... Years ago. The education system needs to evolve with everything else, lack of change is coming at the expense of our well being.**

*Students Grades 9 to 12*

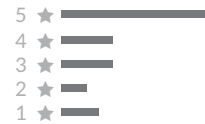
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**Bring back the health education program the conservatives cut so our children learn about inclusion and consent It's 2018**

*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4*

3.6 ★★★★★ (24)



**More awareness of current events. Teachers and students should have courses on mental illness, rape & sexual assault, LGBTQ community, politics, current stories in the news, etc.**

*Students Grades 9 to 12*

3.6 ★★★★★ (23)



**More inclusive sex ed\_ push back! Equal knowledge, freedom of information, inclusive schools.**

*Students Grades 9 to 12*

3.6 ★★★★★ (22)



**Ensure that sex ed/health curriculum is up to date and relevant. This is not only important for the learner's health/safety but can reduce bullying.**

*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4*

3.6 ★★★★★ (20)



**reinstate the recently cancelled sex ed curriculum which is a reality of the world we live in today Teenagers need to understand the different types of relationships that are reflective of the society in which we live and understand they are normal**

*Secondary Parents and Guardians - 3*

3.6 ★★★★★ (18)



**Better sexual education program** We need sexual education that reflects our general society now and that means all the issues that come with increased use of technology and diversity

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*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2*

**Push for bringing back modernized sexual and health education** Kids are growing up in a VERY different environment that parents did. Parents are not versed in all dangers on line, as example

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*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2*

**Teach as much of new (then cancelled) sex curriculum as you possibly can** While Premier fiddles with his political base, try and ensure that kids are given complete factual info about human sexual development and CONSENT

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*Secondary Parents and Guardians - 3*

**Continue to advocate to return to previous sex ed curriculum which focuses on consent and sexual / gender identity.** To promote acceptance, understanding, inclusivity and consent.

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*Secondary Parents and Guardians - 1*

**Sex education to include consent, pleasure, contraceptives, and more.** Sex is not about abstinence training.

3.6  (13 )



*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 1*

**We need the updated sex ed curriculum** Studies have shown higher suicide rates among trans youth who do not feel accepted. Reverting to old system is hurting our kids!

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*Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2*