

Q2 EQUITY AND DIVERSITY

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

Have a zero tolerance for racism, sexism and bullying. We have to go beyond awareness to actually modelling respect and refusing to accept behaviours that exclude, belittle, threaten or hurt students.

4.2 ★★★★★ (19)



Secondary Parents and Guardians - 3

we need more role models for little boys boys are being stifled in earliest years because the system is designed to promote behaviour that is traditionally "girl" behaviour

4.1 ★★★★★ (7)



Community Members

Awareness of the growing number of ESL, ELL refugee students in our classrooms. Parents cannot access information being sent home electronically. They are, at times, being excluded because they don't have a computer at home.

3.9 ★★★★★ (21)



Elementary Staff

Teachers that accept all kids regardless of background and history All kids deserve teachers that like them, makes it so that they really want to learn and we will have successful kids, which is what we want

3.9 ★★★★★ (21)



Secondary Parents and Guardians - 2

Homophobia on sports teams The OCDSB needs to do a better job at combating homophobia, particularly in sports. Maybe the board should work with groups like You Can Play.

Students Grades 9 to 12

3.9 ★★★★★ (20)



Dress code is unfair. I agree that students should always be modest, but girls get dresscoded for having a bra strap showing yet boys have their pants down past their knee

Students Grades 9 to 12

3.8 ★★★★★ (25)



More focus on social issues (i.e. sexism, racism, transphobia etc) Due to a lack of discussion about these things, school is a harmful place & I regularly hear things like racial slurs, sexist comments and rape jokes

Students Grades 9 to 12

3.7 ★★★★★ (24)



Continue, extend and improve the ways that staff can learn cultural competency So that all students can have a safe learning environment

District Office and Centrally Assigned Staff

3.7 ★★★★★ (18)



Build network with local agencies Local organizations may have a deeper understanding of what supports Indigenous students may need

Community Members

3.7 ★★★★★ (17)



Coordinate delivery of resources (human and financial) in a differentiated manner to ensure that there is equity across the schools in our system. It's the right thing to do, morally and ethically, and the only way to boost positive outcomes for an entire system.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 1

3.7 ★★★★★ (12)



Continue to pursue EQUITY View ALL policies with equity lens, e.g. central AC in newer facilities only, optional boundaries in some high schools only - why the inequity?

Community Members

3.6 ★★★★★ (31)



Ensure that inclusiveness is a broadly applied plan, across all schools, and that it includes race, sex, gender, ability, wealth, class, religion, etc To combat the current political climate, we must teach our children away from media-sold binaries (e.g. good vs bad, us vs them).

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2

3.6 ★★★★★ (24)



With a diverse mix of languages there is a big difference at times between the levels of learning ability. Support different paces of learning Allow those that thrive to continue to push boundaries and those that need the assistance can access it also to push their boundaries

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4

3.6 ★★★★★ (22)



Include all cultures and students. Have strategies allows students to have social skills.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 1

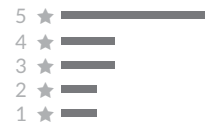
3.6 ★★★★★ (20)



Provide a more inclusive environment for diverse students Ottawa's student population is diverse in their cultures, genders, sexual orientation, ethnicity, physical capacities and appearances; and other ways

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 1

3.6 ★★★★★ (18)



Have your school represent the students more Many Inuit feel they do not see themselves within their school environment, this can change by adding artwork and integrating the culture

Community Members

3.6 ★★★★★ (17)



Celebrating or at least acknowledging other holidays. We have days off at christmas and easter but what about people who don't celebrate those days? Maybe try announcing those holidays during the announc

Students Grades 7 to 8

3.6 ★★★★★ (14)

