

Q3 FACILITIES

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Q3 What are some important priorities for the OCDSB to focus on for the next four years?

AIR CONDITIONING!!!!

Students Grades 9 to 12

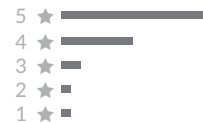
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Updating facilities Why don't we have AC in rooms or modern lighting in our auditoriums? Why do we live with broken-down schools that are over-capacity?

Students Grades 9 to 12

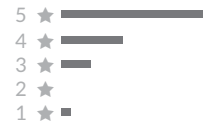
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Facilitie Improvements Classrooms are in poor conditions. Providing a more comfortable environment would help make students happier and more efficient. (Example: AC!)

Students Grades 9 to 12

4.1 ★★★★★ (24)



Better class environments Certain classes are small and have terrible desks, but some are huge with couches. We need more calm environments so that kids aren't sad to learn

Students Grades 9 to 12

4.1 ★★★★★ (16)



Facility improvements Update tech facilities, energy facilities , and so on

Students Grades 9 to 12

4.0 ★★★★★ (25)



Environmentally friendly lighting (LED)

Students Grades 9 to 12

4.0 ★★★★★ (16 👤)



Install ALL schools with proper heating and cooling systems

Students (and teachers) should not be permitted to spend their days in over/under-heated classrooms. Adult workplaces have laws, why don't schools?

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2

3.9 ★★★★★ (19 👤)



Repairs and addressing crucial issues that students experience. Some schools need repairs. Its important to be in a proper environment to learn. Addressing issues can really help students in a significant scale.

Students Grades 9 to 12

3.9 ★★★★★ (15 👤)



Keeping schools more sanitary People are always sick and we never have soap in the bathroom

Students Grades 7 to 8

3.8 ★★★★★ (27 👤)



Keep facilities more clean ensure caretakers are paid properly and managed effectively. Cleaning standards for the board should be more stringent.

Elementary Staff

3.8 ★★★★★ (25 👤)



BUILD MORE HIGHSCOOLS My school is made for 800 kids. Wanna know how much we have? OVER 1300 BUILD MORE SCHOOLS WITH DECENT TEACHERS

Students Grades 9 to 12

3.8 ★★★★★ (24 👤)



Upgrading and repairing facilities Some facilities are in deplorable condition.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 1

3.8 ★★★★★ (21 👤)



Infrastructure investments - air conditioning, school yards, and general upkeep.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 3

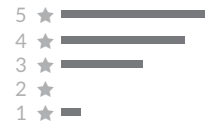
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Overcrowded schools and under utilized schools. We have schools that are bursting at the seams and some that are half full. Perhaps provide Early French Immersion at all schools, or offer IB programs at more than one school in east and west.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 3

3.8 ★★★★★ (18)



climate change & led lights

Students Grades 9 to 12

3.8 ★★★★★ (16)



Facilities management Clean, well cared for buildings reduce illness and increase safety.

Elementary Staff

3.8 ★★★★★ (12)



A mandatory green bin program, plus a system to reward proper usage. Students who are not exposed to environmental behaviours, either at home or at school, will carry these behaviours with them their whole lives.

Students Grades 9 to 12

3.8 ★★★★★ (6)



Increase the energy efficiency of school buildings. Better thermostats and heating, upgrading of windows, etc... There's no point preparing students for the future while destroying it at the same time.

Students Grades 9 to 12

3.8 ★★★★★ (5)



Environmental Impacts To build a sustainable society, conserve impact on environments is also important

Students Grades 9 to 12

3.7 ★★★★★ (26)



The Lighting system is outdated at high schools. The Dimmer packs are unsafe and unreliable. Theatrical performances rely on this to work. It is a hazard and taking it out completely will cause schools to not be able to participate in cappies. Please purchase new gear to come back to 2018

Students Grades 9 to 12

3.7 ★★★★★ (25)



Adequate funding to address overcrowded / underused schools. Children shouldn't have to be crammed into portables or make do with worn out supplies and equipment when they go to school.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4

3.7 ★★★★★ (21)



Bathrooms Lots of students put snack wrappers and garbage in the urinal and leave it on the ground. People never flush. The bathrooms are horrendous.

Students Grades 7 to 8

3.7 ★★★★★ (21)



More playgrounds Definitely a problem because our school has literally nothing to do at recess besides two tetherball poles. Maybe some more benches and more freedom.

Students Grades 7 to 8

3.7 ★★★★★ (21)



Ensuring there are laws in place for maximum indoor temperatures children and teachers are allowed to work under Some older schools do not have air conditioning and there are no caps on laws for schools on when to close. Working in 29-30 degree heat is inhumane.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2

3.7 ★★★★★ (19)



Maintain and update older schools

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2

3.7 ★★★★★ (19)



Air Conditioning Honestly, if you have it at Greenbank we should have it. Desk job versus classrooms full of students...you tell me who needs climate control

Secondary Staff

3.7 ★★★★★ (18)



Improving and modernizing the school facilities so our students and teachers have bright, healthy learning environments that meet their needs.

Secondary Parents and Guardians - 1

3.7 ★★★★★ (18)



reduce overcrowding in suburban developing communities 12 Portables and 800 kids in a school designed for 350 is unacceptable. New schools needed in newly developed communities

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 3

3.7 ★★★★★ (18)



Intercity schools require upgrades to make them accessible. Must be a balance with the development of new schools in the outskirts. My son's school has three floors and 14 levels, all connected by stairwells. If a student has mobility challenges they cannot attend the school.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2

3.7 ★★★★★ (17)



Building high schools in areas where there are a very large number of students that have to be bused to another part of the city. 20 min. bus ride from my house to get to school every day, and if I take part in extra curriculars, I have to get a drive; there is no OC Transpo

Students Grades 9 to 12

3.7 ★★★★★ (15)



toilet paper it sucks to have a bad quality toilet paper

Students Grades 7 to 8

3.7 ★★★★★ (10)



Capital Improvement and foster innovation

Just think its time to focus on these things

Secondary Parents and Guardians - 1

3.7 ★★★★★ (7)



Cleanliness of the schools! Retook at the current cleaning model and follow through to ensure jobs are being done. No one likes to work in a dirty environment, especially one already full of germs. Cleanliness is important for staff and students.

Elementary Staff

3.6 ★★★★★ (23)



All schools need investment Make sure to invest in aging schools so students don't switch boards. Need facilities and programming that appeals to all

Secondary Parents and Guardians - 4

3.6 ★★★★★ (22)



Making sure schools are environmentally friendly Not using tv's that could be draining power and are unused, turning off lights when not needed, etc.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 1

3.6 ★★★★★ (21)



Infrastructure Maintenance for existing and investment for new

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4

3.6 ★★★★★ (20)



Infrastructure updates. My child attends Bells Corners PS & there definitely needs to be improvements inside and definitely outside. A more welcoming environment is important. I think children are more apt to learn in more appealing surroundings. School should be a happy place.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 1

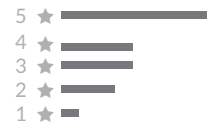
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Treating all schools the same in terms of facilities (some schools do not yet have the buzzer entry system, some do not have any form of A/C)

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4

3.6 ★★★★★ (20)



Better bathrooms Our bathrooms are often out of soap, have no paper towels and are constantly dirty

Students Grades 7 to 8

3.6 ★★★★★ (19)



Better planning less portables.Kids especially younger ones facing too many problems in portable. Plus, they are not very well equipped. Some portables don't have air conditioning at all. In winters kids are very cold. For washrooms they have to walk a long way.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2

3.6 ★★★★★ (19)



Modernizing classrooms and setting a minimum level of offerings (arts, music, tech, creative classrooms).

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4

3.6 ★★★★★ (19)



Older/Inner city school infrastructure needs Too many portables(takes over playground), need of repairs, unhealthy, less technologically advanced, contributes to migration to the burbs

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2

3.6 ★★★★★ (19)



Capital spending priorities targeted towards not just new school building but updating current school infrastructures. Student/Staff learning and well being can be addressed by alleviating overcrowded schools and fixing the ones that are in need of essential repairs.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4

3.6 ★★★★★ (18)



Helping children learn in healthy environments in buildings that are safe and properly ventilated and heated Because who can learn if the air quality is poor and the room temperature is off balance

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 2

3.6 ★★★★★ (16)



CLEAN WASHROOMS! There is pee all over the ground! The toilets reek of human waste!
Students Grades 9 to 12

3.6 ★★★★★ (16 👤)



Up to date school security and safety equipment is important. Times have changed.
Secondary Parents and Guardians - 2

3.6 ★★★★★ (16 👤)



Lobby for adequate funding to guarantee the best conditions for learning: classroom conditions, sufficient and supportive, updated teachers Balanced, integrated education is achieved with positive conditions.
Secondary Parents and Guardians - 4

3.6 ★★★★★ (14 👤)



Take snow days to consideration. If the yellow buses are cancelled, older students should have the option of going to school or not and not get labeled as absent instead have it as excused absent or optional to go to school.
Students Grades 9 to 12

3.6 ★★★★★ (14 👤)



My issue is the toilet paper we have at school and across the board, it's one ply, rough, very uncomfortable, wasteful and it's literally see through. It's important because it wastes ALOT of paper and it's very uncomfortable to use please fix this problem!!
Students Grades 7 to 8

3.6 ★★★★★ (13 👤)



Better facilities, better support for teachers. Listen to the teachers!
Elementary Parents and Guardians - 1

3.6 ★★★★★ (11 👤)



Buildings need to be updated! The old buildings definitely need to be renovated.
Secondary Parents and Guardians - 1

3.6 ★★★★★ (10 👤)



For children in portables, make the teachers switch portables and not students. There is a lot of time wasted with the switch especially in winter.

Elementary Parents and Guardians - 4

3.6 ★★★★★ (9 👤)

