

2010 Parent Survey

What do you NOT want to see changed in the Olmsted Falls Schools?

Answered Question: 490

Skipped Question: 242

Number	Response Text
1	The amount of communication.
2	Do not want bigger class sizes
3	I do not want the class sizes to get larger or for less staff and other budgetary cuts to affect the quality of the schools.
4	Extra carricular activies. The students need these activities to keep them out of the trouble they would be getting into.
5	Budget cuts and teachers let go or sports not being an option
6	Music program and transportation reduced. Honors placement classes reduced. Special education needs not being met.
7	Good clubs...Drama, music, Keeping the good teachers...curriculum.
8	Staff reductions or technology reductions.
9	Fees.
10	I don't want our schools to become so academic that the arts are left behind. Every student will not go on to a 4 year college and we need to continue to offer alternative classes for all students.
11	Bigger classes.
12	Community Support and Funding...I would highly recommend that we depend on our community for things and not the goverment for funding...the more the goverment is allowed to fund the schools only allows the goverment to regulate and control what goes on in the schools. The goverment doesn't need to tell my children what to believe or what they should or shouldn't learn.
13	level of education and experience level of teachers and new teachers.
14	The quality of education provided
15	I don't want to see sports taken away due to funding issues. Although I believe school is primarily for learning, I think sports adds a crucial component to developing healthy, happy, well-integrated kids. ¶ ¶ Even though we personally do not use the bus system, I still do not want to see bussing taken away again. It really looks bad on a community that cannot even afford to bus our own kids to school. Seems like a basic right to have transportation to/from.
16	The physical plant does not seem to require replacement at this time.
17	The care the adminstation seems to have.¶ Their ability and willingness to communicate with families.¶ Extra curricular activities.
18	Performance level slip.
19	the personal attention to the individual student
20	I would absolutely never want us to institute a "pay to play" policy for sports or extracurriculars. I would hope that high school busing can continue. I am against increasing the size of classes--too many kids with only one teacher diminishes the ability to learn and teach.
21	I like the school hours, the teaching methods seem effective. I would not like to see the grades be seperated any more in seperate builings. I do not think more classroom changes are needed in the primary schools.
22	Teacher/student ratio
23	The busing can not be minimized.
24	Keep doing what you are doing.
25	the arrangement of grades by buildings
26	Staff and program reductions. I know that it is often impossible to retain all programs and staff due to budget concerns. But as little reduction as possible is important
27	The ability the administration has shown to manage its budget and meet its needs through controlling costs rather than just raise taxes. The last several years have proven how well they can actually get along without raising taxes until this last levey. I hope they can continue to live within their current budget, like the citizens of Olmsted Falls have had to do.

28	Sports. We need the physical activity.[] Bussing. We need to keep transportation.
29	I really like the pods at OFIS and the middle school. I feel my children were prepared very well for middle school and that our schools do a great job transitioning from one building to the next. I really like our 5th grade music program and the band program at the middle school.
30	The personal attention given to each student.
31	I like the small town feel. No one can deny the comfort of a safe and respected school system with an excellent education.
32	all of the above
33	I do not want us to lose that small town feel that we have in our district.
34	I do not want to see administrators get any more money. I do not want them to have a raise, bonus or any other form of monetary payment including increase retirement benefits. This money should go to teachers who teach kids in the class room everyday and school supplies. Administrators are not school supplies either. Administrators earn enough already, don't like it find somewhere else to suck dry. the field of education is not the road to monetary riches.
35	the hometown spirit
36	I would not like anything that I am aware of changed.
37	I don't think we need to keep what we have and add to it....
38	regression in arts, # of AP courses, class size, foreign languages offered
39	Communication frequency
40	The feeling that my kids are in a safe environment while they are learning.
41	- Focus on kids. [] - Music program[] - Honors and AP courses
42	The management philosophy and the dedication of the board to stretch the dollars as far as possible without sacrificing the quality.
43	I do not want to see any change in the amount of sports and clubs offered to kids in all grade levels. This is such an important part of the school life..
44	small town feel
45	I would not want the extra activities, busing, and student ratio to change in the school district.
46	The set up between the 5 buildings that currently exists now that we have the Intermediate School. The social development of the children based on how the buildings/levels are currently constructed is excellent in my opinion and should be continued.....
47	The community/parent outreach programs
48	I would hate to see caring educators let go because times get tough. Everytime there is a budget crisis you hear about staff cuts. I believe this is terrible. As an education major myself I know what it takes to create a positive learning environment. By overcrowding classes and letting strong teachers go to save a buck or two is horrible for the students. Find a way to raise money without hounding the community that is already economically strapped. More use of fundraising and higher rental fees of buildings would be a start. If the district is out of money, what makes you think the community is not too?
49	The music program. You give the children a chance to play an instrument or sing in choir or both. Not all school systems make it mandatory and I am glad you do. Music is such an essential part of learning, I am glad these children still have the opportunity.
50	No high school busing - it should be left without busing for older aged kids (14+).
51	HALF- DAY KINDERGARTEN.[] [] Bus transportation[] [] Teacher/parent conferences[] [] Communication between the parents and staff....be it good or bad.
52	Looping[] Electronic swipe cards
53	Busing. I don't want to see cuts done to extracurricular activities that were first and foremost on the list before the levy passed.

54	Extracurricular activities/ sports cut or charged a fee to participate, the quality of the educational material/ teaching provided to the students, the openness of communication between school and home.
55	The politics
56	no bigger classes
57	administration seems to be doing fine.
58	The bldgs the grades are separated into.
59	The focus on excellence in education, the small school feel, the commitment to safety of our students, the commitment to specials (music, art, gym) and the many offerings available at each school building. ..to produce well-rounded students, all of these components are necessary.
60	The committment to quality education.
61	The caring faculty.
62	The level of quality education and the extra curricular activities.
63	class sized are sufficiently large.
64	Bussing & teachers
65	The connection to the community, the excellent performance, the extra curriculans and sports
66	See item 3 above, it has already been changed.
67	I'd like to see high school busing remain in place. As working parents, we don't have another way for our children to get home from school.
68	dedication and motivation to make kids grow in all aspects of life
69	The level of education that the children rcv.
70	the small class sizes, they are vital to allowing the one to one attention that many students need in order to be sucessfull.
71	Not much of anything - why mess with a good thing?
72	The level of ecellance it has.
73	As much as I want to see smaller class sizes, I would not want the quality of the teachers/staff to change to accomodate. I cannot say enough positive about the staff I have encountered at ECC.
74	I do not want to see the quality of the teachers we hire to change. We MUST be particularly careful and "choosy" when hiring our staff.
75	Quality of eduction
76	the sports programs[] the weekly updates[] the current amount of teachers
77	Teachers commitment to their students.
78	Let's not change the music and sports programs.
79	The dedication to teaching the kids in a reasonable class size. Also, keeping school spirit in tact.
80	Tough question. I would not want to see them stop striving to continue to earn an excellent rating.
81	I do not want to see anyone lose their jobs. I would not want the kids needs to suffer.
82	I thing there is always room to improve.
83	I like the individual attention that children get for their difference in learning pace.
84	Teaching methods. Accessibility of the teachers. Great communication from the school to parents.
85	I do not want to see the quality of the education and services provided diminish in any way.
86	bigger class size
87	Also alternative choices for young children when there are perceived learning issues. I was told that my son had a learning disability whent he was in 2nd grade because of his struggles to read. But they also felt he was gifted in other areas. He had been in the reading tutoring program for 2 years. We had been reading with him since he was born. I took him to the Learning Center in Westlake. In 3 months he was reading fluently, by the end of 3rd grade he was in the exceeds category in the achievement tests for reading. There was no learning disability. I don't blame the school system or the teachers, only so many funds available, but if I had not heard the ad on the radio and contacted the Learning Center I honestly believe he would be doing very poorly. One size does not fit all in learning, kids each have their own way of learning. I would just like to see the system to suggesting these other options to parents.[] [] provide more variety in language courses, bring back German.
88	Just about everything.

89	Music and sports
90	Busing. The railroad crossings, lack of sidewalks and lighting make it too dangerous for students to walk.
91	Access to all of those "extra" programs that currently enrich a student's experience and provide them with a reason to attend -- language exploration, field trips, music enrichment, art.
92	We are far above most school systems. I would not want us to have to come down to new standards.
93	I like the mentoring program (bulldog buddies) available for kids that may need a little extra attention.
94	The transportation system, the quality of the teachers and administrators, the extracurriculars, and additional programs.
95	the busing system and sports activity
96	very happy with most things; continue the focus on creating and encouraging the sense of pride that students in the district have
97	Busing, loss of music classes ,loss of PE
98	Involvement of teachers 1:1 with the students, pride in our schools, opportunities for parent participation when appropriate
99	I do not want to see teachers cut so we can keep the class sizes manageable
100	The commitment to quality education. The extra programs the children are able to participate in.
101	The busing,if we didn't have I don't know what people.
102	the extracurricular activities
103	continue to expect high things from our students -- high expectations for behavior and high expectations for achievement. Continue to be good stewards of the tax dollars -- don't waste our money.
104	Bussing- high school as well as elementary school needs to remain! All children deserve a warm, safe ride to school. Our bus drivers are the best!
105	Olmsted Falls/Township is not "sidewalk friendly". Having school bus transportation is critical.
106	The welcome feeling you get when you enter any building in the district.
107	personal touch
108	I do not want to see our identity changed. Although our community is growing, there is a certain pride to our tradition of excellence.
109	The arts and music program.
110	The excellent rating that Olmsted Falls has.
111	Education first; sports secondary
112	The extra staff
113	Too many to mention
114	I don't want to see class sizes get any bigger.
115	excellence, caring faculty and staff
116	I would hate to see class size get any bigger
117	the Band
118	Quality
119	The communication from the district to parents is great. Mr. George as security/parent-teacher "liason" works very well. The preparedness and hard work that teachers put into their teaching has been exceptional.
120	Afterschool activities, sports programs, music programs, and don't want to see pay to play. Going to sport events and the schools with Pay to play don't have full teams, not always the best are playing.
121	Keep a wide variety of experiences for all subject areas.
122	I would hate to see larger class sizes.
123	I don't want to see bussing for high school students and I don't want to see the day shortened. I also don't think the schools need to provide access to their facilities at no cost. These building cost money to run and tax payers are footing the bill, we need to keep cost down so everyone who wants to use the building after hours should pay.
124	The no tolerance law; which should be more enforced.
125	Do not change the bussing.[] Do not lessen the number of teachers.
126	The EFFORTS to make the schools as good as they are. Don't back off. Class sizes.
127	the electronic connection between parents & school: progress book, online lunch payment
128	The attitude to keep improving, keep getting better.

129	Teacher involvement and excitement towards educating the students.
130	We don't want to see changed: 1. The importance the OF teachers/staff put on teaching our kids to be kids of character and honor. 2. The willingness of so many parents to be involved and active in keeping our schools the best we can be. 3. The quality of teachers that OF currently has on staff!!
131	I don't want bussing to stop for anyone
132	The sports, extra curricular activities as well as busing.
133	Parent/Teacher relationship. I have always have the best relationships with my childrens teachers.
134	Our Academic Excellence.
135	The sense of "Community" & "Pride" Their "Excellent with Distinction" rating
136	Supportive teachers
137	The standards and quality of our system to mold and guide our children.
138	Everything!
139	A lot of the teachers are great.
140	Quality of education received.
141	The part of the system I am exposed to seems fine.
142	I want students to continue to be able to go on field trips and participate in sports.
143	Keep class sizes small. Variety of course electives, AP classes, college prep classes Quality teachers and superintendant Continued parent involvement
144	The school system needs to maintain things just the way they are!
145	I do not want to see us lose the dedicated staff and all the activities, like sports, music, arts, etc.
146	I think the teachers are your best asset; do not overload them.
147	Teacher to student ratio
148	There is always room for change in any environment
149	The advanced classes available.
150	Excellent education standards.
151	Quality of the education our children receive
152	Getting rid of the special programs especially the music program.
153	Longer school year
154	I would hope nothing
155	intervention program
156	special needs programs are great
157	We need the bussing, as it is unsafe for kids to walk down fitch road. We need to keep sports the way they are, no pay to play, not fair to indigent families.
158	when a levy is needed, don't over do it. Just give us the facts. I don't need to get it by mail, by email, by home phone, by cell phone, and by person. It was overdone...You wasted my time with all that...You turned me away.
159	Special ed programs for those with speech and learning disabilities. Arts, music, sports, bussing. The involvement of the upper management to stay involved to gather and excite the kids, such as dare, pep rallies etc.
160	The excellent and caring teachers and support staff. Volunteers in the school system have also been very vital to its success.
161	cancellation of bussing, increased class sizes
162	The old-fashioned way of treating students. OF does not believe in being politically correct--they still celebrate "St Valentine's" day and "Halloween." I also would hate to lose the music program!
163	THE CLASSROOM SIZE.
164	School fees. They are too high now and then you played the tax payers by splitting the fees in two.

165	The involvement of teachers and staff
166	teachers dedication,the attention to trying to get extra funding,staying on top of the kids behavior
167	Continue with all extra programs (i.e. sports, music, clubs)
168	I do not want to see cuts to classes or extracurriculars. Both are integral to making Olmsted Falls students what they are.
169	Our music program. Our Honors-level classes.
170	Size of classes; mix of fresh and experienced quality teaching staff
171	Half day kindergarten
172	not sure....
173	We need to stay an open community and continue to work together more and to be open and truthful.
174	busing, cutting down on the number of teachers, larger classrooms.
175	Extracurricular activities. They are the first to go when money gets tight, but they are so important for a well rounded education.
176	I would hate to see us soften up because of parental pressure. We should raise top notch kids and the schools should enforce it.
177	I would like to see all the extracurricular activities and sports programs offered continued. I would like to see bussing made available to 9th graders. Not all 9th graders are drivers, and the Falls and Township communities are spread out and in a largely rural area.
178	The ability of the students of OF Schools to get a quality education because the State of Ohio's own laws allow for the discrimination against school systems by refusing to allow for inflation in the collection of voted mills from a levy. Ultimately, if a community can't or won't financially support the school system, the very children the State of Ohio mandates be taught by the school system in which they live are punished by the State of Ohio. Almost too absurd to be true. Ohio should be pulling money from other areas of wasteful government and be pouring it into the schools, especially the ones which show ability to teach consistently at a high level, with the smallest amount of expenditures. Blinded by their greed and consumed with their self serving ambitions, the politicians fail to see our kids inadequately educated, or deserting the area for the opportunities they deserve.
179	Logistically and academically I know that year round school is inevitable, I really hate to lose the traditional school year. I know our society is 24/7/365. That does not mean our children have to be too. They have so much going on in their young lives at this point, to put them in school all year would be too intense.
180	Status Quo
181	The quality of the teaching staff and ther committment to the students
182	moved into the district 2 years ago from Parma and am very pleased with the quality of education my children now receive. I feel that they are safe happy and well educated in every class Im sure there are places to improve and change but I think everyone is doing a great job
183	The special ed programming is awesome! Just last night, as I was driving one of the neighbor kids home,(who has Down Syndrome) was reading something to me.....couldn't believe how far she has come. [] The high school AP teachers are terrific.....and they all should be commended!! The media specialists at Falls Lenox ARE teachers! They teach the kids soooo much.
184	The high quality of teaching, and the national test scores that come out of our school district.
185	Class sizes,they are too big now.
186	Not sure.
187	No swearing in the high school... oh wait, I said that already.
188	the varied programs for kids who have a multitude of abilities and interests and the ability to off them college or vocational programs to meet those needs
189	The class sizes.
190	Our expectations of quality education.
191	The music programs.
192	The focus on performance
193	Bus transportation!
194	I do not want the hours to be cut, i do not want the field trips/school plays and musicals to be cut.
195	the commitment to excellence and variety of programs/activities offered
196	I don't want to see things taken away because there is no money - sports programs and busing.
197	Keep sports and music as an essential part of the school district.

198	The encouragement of Parent/Guardian involvement.
199	We need to not cut any more elective classes from the high school.
200	the busing
201	Bussing for the K-8th grades. No larger class sizes, would like to see them get smaller. Want to keep the college prep curriculum focus at the high school, no reduction in educational focused programming. Also think its important to keep a strong sports/extracurricular program as that is an important part of school and the development of life skills.
202	Not sure about this one if it works don't change it.
203	I would NOT want to lose Dr. Hoadley nor Dr. Lloyd. I feel that they are a huge component of how successful the OF school district is.
204	The home/school relationships you have built
205	The wonderful lunch program. The quality of fresh friut these kids get is great! Keep it up.
206	The administration.
207	Less help for the IEP/special needs students.
208	curriculum
209	I think the sports and extra programs are excellent and I would never want to see that change. Also we need our technology and that should continue to evolve as the technology evolves.
210	The sense of community and security.
211	The passion.
212	I want the children to still have some choices in their academic schedules. I would hate to see foreign languages reduced. The athletic department plays a major role as well and should be kept no matter what. Also band is extremely important. I guess what I am saying is I don't want to see anything eliminated only things added if that is at all possible.
213	Bussing cancelled again.
214	The high level of academic achievement from the students and teachers. The many extracurricular activities that are available to the students (I feel these add to the overall education of each student who participates in them). The courses offered at Polaris and the classes that offer college credit are very important to keep and grow. Having a bio medical education and engineering program in the high school is a plus for our students.
215	Excellent Academics Good Test Scores Small Class Sizes
216	the strength and quality of the school system.
217	Rank among Ohio schools
218	The extracurricular activities offered to all students.
219	My taxes, I do NOT want my taxes to change, but of course will support the schools. [] I do not want class sizes to increase. [] I do not want the first 'threat' and level of cuts made to bussing and sports, instead go right to cutting the number of assistants, custodial staff, tutoring, gifted programs, etc. and let the community make adjustments according to those cuts.
220	Larger classroom size
221	Parent teacher cooperation.
222	Focus on areas that enhance core subjects such as tech ed as well as the many activities the school offers
223	School curricular - classes offered
224	taxes
225	I would not like the way the schools are set up to change as in having just one primary school, one intermediate school, and one middle school. I think this is good because the children get to attend school form beginning to end with the same peer group.
226	I have no major concerns with Olmsted Falls. I feel my children are safe when they are their and the are receiving a superior education to many other local school districts.
227	less bussing
228	bussing, quality of the programs
229	The involvement of the teachers and parents
230	The intervention specialists for students that need extra help.

231	not sure
232	The goal to keep low student to teacher ratios.
233	Current academic and extra circular activities
234	I don't want to see the good things we have go away.[] I don't want to loose field trips and clubs and good teachers.[] I don't want to loose more options--languages, interesting HS classes, after school options.
235	To allow voters/residents living in OF to have the attitude of being less than excellent, and just settling for an average school system with an average education curriculum.
236	I do not want to ever see the quality of the teachers we hire change. We are very fortunate in that area. I also would not be happy if the extras such as band, football, etc. went away.
237	Technology improvement
238	I don't want them to ever lose their focus on raising good people not just getting high test scores.
239	The conservative based atmosphere that is based on patriotism, and Judeo-Christian values. The open and transparent atmosphere that is beginning to surface after so many years of hiding details from the tax payers, etc.
240	High school busing NEEDS to stay.
241	The hours and length of school year
242	class size, gifted needs, tutoring programs,
243	Keep your school pride, keep the community involved. Keep the excellent communication systems you have in place for parents regarding our students.
244	advanced courses
245	Putting our kids education first.
246	buses- curriculum
247	the extra curricular activities and programs that are offered
248	transportation & the curriculum
249	Quality of our teachers and programs offered. I understand some things had to be cut, and I am extremely happy with Dr. Hoadley's take on all of the reasons for the cuts.
250	the education part and how most of the teachers do care for their students, also an increase in the classroom size
251	Busing!!!!!!!!!!!!
252	The long lasting pride and traditions we have always had.
253	Academic structure
254	Extracurricular opportunities going away.
255	At any cost, keep music and sports.
256	Increased teacher/student ratio
257	I would like to see us resist the urge to go to a pay to play format in the future. By doing so, we will ultimately undermine the quality of our programs and create a class system in our community.
258	There is always room for change. It is not good to become stagnant
259	Do not increase classroom sizes.
260	Busing! I feel it is very important to have the opportunity to go to school and that is a big one.
261	I do not want the class sizes to get bigger.
262	Encouragement of teaching staff to keep pushing students to strive for better
263	The wonderful teachers and caring staff, busing provided, the extra curricular activities. We are happy with the overall school system.
264	I do not want to see busing eliminated on any level (please remember that most of the streets our students have to traverse to get to the schools DO NOT have sidewalks!!!!), nor do I want to see educational opportunities (i.e. foreign languages, arts programs, etc.) eliminated from the district.
265	I love the music and art department... children need to be involved with creative outlets... keeps them from finding other harmful outlets
266	Great teachers. Opportunities for kids to try music, art, sports.
267	The music program cut in any way!
268	I do not want OF schools to fall into the mainstream mediocre ways to teach. I believe the school system thinks out of the box and provides excellent experiences for the kids.
269	All of the above.
270	I would not like to see an increase in class sizes or loss of extracurricular activities.
271	I haven't been in the system long enough to comment on this.

272	class size, pay to play sports
273	n-a
274	The amount my mortgage goes up! Enough with the levy proposals! How about concessions every once in a while?
275	The music program, the principal, the progress book system.
276	Up to date teaching tools, keep those strong qualified teachers. Variety of experiences (life skills, band), emphasis on reading, math, and science.
277	I do not want to see sports and extras taken away. Even if we have to pay additional for some activities they still need to be available to the students.
278	The excellent level of staff, educational programs, athletics and music programs.
279	communication methods in place today - the blog is a great way to get news out and keep parents up to date.
280	Bulldog Pride.
281	increased class sizes, reduced course offerings or special programs.
282	athletics and music programs
283	The dedication to excellence.
284	bus transportation
285	I do not want to see teachers being pulled from higher grades to try to accomodate an all-day kindergarten program... increasing class sizes at those higher levels would not be wise... hopefully this adk mandate will become void after election day.
286	Sports
287	I'm fine with the present system as-is.
288	Keep the busing, :-)
289	Discipline rules
290	I would not want to lose the high caliber dedicated teachers.
291	How cost effective it is per pupil.
292	student teacher ratio, amount of community involvement
293	I am happy with most everything
294	1/2 day kindergarten. We do not like the idea of full-day kindergarten AT ALL.
295	Stay conservative with the kids. (ie dress code.)
296	I like the fact that the year starts in August and ends in early June. I like everything about the Food Services - price, choices, menu options, quality, no cash required, ez pay system. I like, no love, all the technology available to parents - Moodledog, ProgressBook, EZpay, district blogs and websites. As a working parent, I find I'm just as informed as parents who are able to spend time in the classroom. I feel more involved, with the help of "electronic" communication.
297	music and high quality education
298	I have not been here long enough.
299	The communication is key. Need to keep the open door policy between faculty, parents and students.
300	?
301	Our school spirit! [] Busing
302	I do not want to see anymore cuts in classes offered or increases in class sizes.
303	high school busing [] gifted program
304	I would hate for younger kids to lose any of the fabulous things my kids have been able to do with the schools.
305	tThe offering of extracurricular programs and sports.
306	The formate of teaching. I cannot speak for any grade above 4th, but what we have seen up to 4th grade is amazing. Everyday Math really makes math workable. The differant groups for spelling is awesome. It provide a way for the boys to really concentrate on the words they don't know. Their reading skills are amazing.
307	Teachers definately, I do feel that they are wonderful and do a great job!!
308	the way of the comunication with the parents.[] it is a great system.

309	the acadmic programs offered
310	Communication w/ parents
311	I don't want to see extracurricular activities compromised, I don't want to lose any more higher level classes at the high school. I definitely don't want the class sizes to increase beyond where they are now.
312	The Excellence with Distinction award
313	Maintain the high standards of excellence, despite economic hardships that make that very difficult at times.
314	Quality of teachers/faculty.
315	I do not want the district to touch the music program. If anything, there should be more help at in the music department. Also, the foreign languages need to be a part of the curriculum.
316	n/a
317	the arts departments like music and theatre as well as sports
318	nothing
319	Intervention programs eliminated because of lack of funding or resources.
320	I think the school needs to continue to change and to evolve, so to speak. If we keep the status quo, we will be left behind other district. Everything can be improved in some way. We should strive to keep changing and getting better.
321	there is always a need for improvement but teacher to student ratio is important
322	*communication is excellent from the school to parents
323	We are very pleased with everything at the schools right now.
324	nothing
325	The academic rigor, the community atmosphere, the commitment to the whole child.
326	I'm very happy with the schools are they are now being run.
327	I do not want to see any getting laid off, pay cuts, or budget cuts of any kind.
328	*curriculum changed at the expense of the students[] *quality of the teachers and academic standards and expectations of the students[] *environment[] *extracurricular activities, sports, clubs, groups
329	The end of busing and extra-curricular sports
330	Do not want to see any of the programs cut or terminated due to lack of funding, they are all important to the all around development of our future...
331	The closeness and parent/child/teacher interaction.
332	small town feel at school events
333	The sense of pride in the community regarding the school system. Seems the system is generally highly regarded by the students, teachers and parents.
334	Increase class sizes, removal of classes such as music, foreign languages, technical classes.
335	the positive things I've mentioned.
336	The quality of the teachers and the State's Excellent rating.
337	Please do not change the great busing
338	a gifted academic program
339	Student/teacher ratio[] [] Tranportation
340	quality of education/educators. continued importance of the arts and sports
341	I do not want to see the opportunities for children to become part of a team, sports, clubs, etc. disappear.
342	I really appreciate the many forms of communication. Letters from the schools, emails, the updated blog all keep information flowing. There are so many options for me to know what's going on. [] [] I hope we will always have very qualified staff members.
343	Do not reduce staff and HS class electives. Do not put our children in a pay to play position for sports. This truly becomes a burden to our athelets too. Their college opportunities. Also, their though process[] becomes clouded.

344	The classes are offered now . I would not want to see them changed. Offer wood shop again to all levels of High School. Manufacturing.
345	seems as though things are going well as is.
346	I don't want to lose anymore teachers/staff. Many parents, including the OFCS staff and administration have taken pay cuts, pay freezes while health insurance increases. Many are doing their job plus another job that has been eliminated. You can only spread people too thin before they break. You lose their commitment and drive making them wear many hats. ¶ If we continue to increase class sizes due to \$, more and more kids fall through the cracks. The students with IEP's may receive the attention the state mandates, but what about the others who don't quite meet the criteria. School will continue to be more difficult; once you start to lose a student it's the domino effect.
347	again, so far, so good.
348	I like everything so far.
349	I don't want to see the district reduce the academic course offerings or lose the rigor of those courses. I also believe that extracurriculars are important to the development of our children as well.
350	Some of the wonderful people who are so passionate and who are thankful to be part of an excellent school system. ¶ I'm thankful for the efforts that have been made to make our littlest bulldogs feel comfortable in the huge schools they are in, by the clustering of groups of children. I'm thankful for the efforts made to link younger children with older children in all kinds of ways, to promote mentoring and leadership among our students. I'm thankful for the efforts by our Superintendent to increase communication within the district in all kinds of ways. ¶ I would never want the extra curricular activities cut. Not just sports, either. The Kiwanis being actively involved with our children from such an early age is a wonderful thing. My own daughter has grown to be passionate about service work through this opportunity.
351	the people. everyone is very caring.
352	Do NOT lose the balance. Maintain a strong curriculum and a core of extracurricular activities and sports teams.
353	I do not want to see the school year schedule changed. As a child I looked forward to summer vacation to spend with my family and friends, and my children enjoy the same. I would hate to see future generations, lose this, and replace it with more business and less family.
354	The small town feel of the community involvement.
355	Bigger class sizes. Sports being taken away. After school activities taken away.
356	The bussing! It is absolutely crazy to drive to the school in the a.m and p.m. I hope that we are able to keep it.
357	the small school fell
358	School rating about academic achievements and healthy atmosphere should not be changed.
359	Half day Kindergarten
360	The focus of the student's future
361	Quality teachers. Access to core academics and electives. Small class size, sports, fieldtrips.
362	My daughter is currently at the high school, she has attended OF since kindergarten. Overall, our experience has been wonderful. One thing that has always stood out to me was the middle school. Mr. Kurz and his staff are perfect for middle school kids. We loved all of the teachers at the middle school. They were full of enthusiasm and pushed the children to succeed and to find themselves. Mr. Kurz truly cares about his staff and the children. I think the "team structure" is great for the kids!
363	Do not cut extracurriculars, do not cut phys ed for primary and intermediate and middle schools.
364	all of the wonderful programs ,resources, keep busing same
365	The next levy is up when my son will be in 8th grade. If it fails, and the schools even threaten to go to a pay to play sports program we would probably leave the district.
366	Facilities are good, class sizes are O.K.
367	anything
368	I have no sacred cows. I expect that any proposed changes will be focused on improved services to our students and cost efficiency.
369	Funding from the state. They just flush money down the drain by sending it to Cleveland, yet we have some of the best schools and seem to get penalized for it.
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371	I would be very unhappy if school transportation were eliminated.
372	School Spirit
373	curriculum and field trips
374	We are new to this system this year; I don't think ALL of the instruction is based on Proficiency outcomes! WONDERFUL! The other school systems we have been in, MAKE THE PROFICIENCY TESTS THE "BACKBONE" to their education! That is just awful!!
375	teacher student ratio
376	Class sizes get too large so students slip through the cracks.
377	The administration seems to be doing a nice job over all - so far I have been impressed with the Principals.
378	the level of activities offered and bus transportation.
379	I love the WEB Leaders program. My son, being new, has felt included and helped through this program. What a great idea!
380	Teacher ratios being enlarged again.
381	Disciplinary action when needed.
382	To have quality programming removed from access for our students.
383	Academic Excellence. Excellent Teachers who keep and teach common sense in the classroom.
384	Fiscal responsibility, dedication to excellence, and the attention to the students.
385	Good parent and teacher support.
386	I do not want to see the implementation of technology changed. I do not want to see parent's not supporting our schools change. I do not want to see students not being challenged to their potential changed. I do not want to see teacher's not care. I do not want to see high expectations changed.
387	Transportation. I really do not want the kids walking where there's no sidewalks and during winter time.
388	The levy to not be passed again.
389	I would like to see the arts and language programs not only remain but grow. The math and science programs that cater to kids interested in the medical field also provide a fantastic head start for those individuals. and the polaris program is also a great model for some of the highschool students.
390	elimination of extracurricular activities, including sports
391	I DO NOT want to see course offerings reduced or any changes at the high school level, to allow for all day kindergarten.
392	The increased awareness in sensitivity to how it pertains to certain students. Our school good or bad has a tendency to be very "clicky"... I do not want to see advanced courses in preparation for college courses to be curbed back. If anything it would be nice to see if we could even offer more college credit courses to high school students to try to gain college credits before going off to school. Maybe this goes back to question 4, but making it easier to understand how to take certain courses at CCC or LCC to get some of the Freshmen core courses out of the way. Maybe have a co-op type program with these schools..
393	The music programs.
394	Quality of the education
395	all grade busing!
396	Polaris career center marriage. Sports programs. Band.
397	Don't want class sizes to increase
398	THE WHOLE ENVIORNMENT.
399	Activities.
400	I don't want to see the grades divided up. I'd prefer to not have higher taxes-but we know sometimes it is a must. It would be nice if we could get businesses in here to help contribute to the tax situation.
401	I would not want to see a change in the music and art programs.
402	The kindness of the teachers to each student. They are wonderful when dealing with challenging students. The open door policy which allows parents to come to check up on their children.

403	I think transportation is a big factor for safety and good educations. As a parent I don't have to worry about how to arrange the transportation of my kids and spend extra time and money. Therefore I can spend more time and money on the education and volunteer work on our schools.[] From last year's experience I don't think the board realizes how important this thing is and how much it effects the results in the class room.[] This good transportation that we have in place after the levy was approved should be the last thing that need to be cut on the future for financial reasons.
404	The lunch program and price.
405	Everything.
406	amount of students per teacher
407	The quality of the education and the variety of the activites that kids can participate in.
408	The high standard of curriculum, as well as all necessary tools for the teachers to implement it. The teachers are the backbone of the entire system, and their ability to perform their jobs cannot be compromised.
409	Parent support; course offerings dropped
410	The pride
411	Every area of the OFCS has room for change and improvement.
412	bigger class sizes
413	Firm guidelines and rules; discipline. Great advance notice of schedules and days off, etc. Good for planing year.
414	I do not want the class sizes to increase and I do not want sports and/or busing eliminated.
415	The level of commitment to improving the schools.
416	Increase in student size in the classroom.
417	No ideas at this time
418	I don't ever want to lose the feeling of living in this community.
419	I do not want to see the level of education provided decrease or the student to teacher ratio increase. I have no doubt that when the next levy comes up it will take several tries to pass it and I think there are a lot of cuts or spending reductions that can be made without getting rid of teachers. We have a lot of good teachers and we don't want to lose them.
420	There is a lot of positive spirit and parental involvement.. as there should be.. parents need to be hands on
421	Education and sports and activities
422	The push for parent involvement. Getting parents engaged is not always easy, but as a school district I feel that this is stressed greatly. Teachers are very accesable even when classes have 20-25 students. The small school atmosphere in a big school district is great.
423	I do not want to see any loss of teachers, sports or any other extra activities the school has.
424	them amount of choices available, both academic and extra-curricular
425	The academic standards the teachers strive to attain as they teach the students.
426	After school activities.
427	Anything that keeps our schools at a higher level.
428	Teacher salary based on student test scores. Our childrwns teachers work so hard to educate our kids...the fact they all have different learning abilities is not a reflection of our teachers. It is the beauty of the differences of our children. I can say this from the heart due to the differences on my own children.
429	Larger class size
430	the level of quality and number of class
431	the variety of programs that reach out to all type of students
432	See above!
433	The education and oppurnities such as the music and sports program offered to our children. To always keep our children a top priority.
434	We can't get stagnate. We always should look for ways to improve.
435	I don't want quality of teachers, number of teachers go down.
436	The way people are treated throughout the schools
437	bussing
438	Class size increased.
439	The Music Department is one like no other!

440	Meals.
441	Improvement is welcome in all areas, not to say that everything needs to be changed.
442	the class sizes, activities offered, busing
443	Expanded use of technology in the classroom.
444	I would not want to see any further reduction in any of the music/arts or foreign language departments.
445	The Superintendent. I think our community has been blessed with someone bright, energetic, and knowledgeable about what it takes to create and sustain a a top-notch school system.
446	Whats up for change?
447	Keep busing.
448	Class sizes.
449	TO TAKE THE EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AWAY OR ATHLETICS REMOVED. I ALSO THINK THE SCHOOL SHOULD BE ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE ANNOUNCEMENTS WITH OUT TAKING AWAY PASSING TIME BETWEEN CLASSES. I BELIEVE THERE IS LESS TIME THAN IN PREVIOUS YEARS.
450	Special services and guidance counselors at ALL schools have been outstanding. I only wish (and they probably do, too) that their caseloads were smaller. Not enough counselors for all those students. The team of administrators at the middle and high schools are excellent.
451	The academics and the great teaching.
452	Don't ask for any more money until the economy turns around, Figure out how to make what you have work...
453	The class size and bussing for high school.
454	everything could use constant improvement not only our schools (people strive for constant improvement so why not schools)
455	teachers; rigor in the classroom; advanced classes; (oh yeah - would like class sizes at 20-23) exposure to the arts
456	The amount of parent involvement and support.
457	Not sure
458	I must say the first thing I think of is the bussing. That wasn't vey fun. Especially when we were one of the parents who voted FOR the levy. Besides that, most of the programs are very good and over all we are very pleased.
459	Reduction in teachers Loss of extra curriculans Loss of the elective programs at the high school
460	The way the teachers interact with students
461	The quality programs that are available
462	I'm not sure at this point.
463	The feeling of community, and the commitment to a quality education.
464	the variety of optional classes unless it increases, such as adding business programs so the students can choose classes that relate to their likes or interests.
465	The bus
466	I do not want to see the small town personal feel of it go away.
467	We need to be VERY careful that extra curricular services are NOT cut. There is ALWAYS a way to figure out how to manage a program! Especially the arts!
468	the marching band; sports; and other extracurricular activities offered to the students, as well as other music and arts activities.
469	Continued focus on academics.
470	I do not want to see any more cuts in ANY areas of the staff. Quality WILL suffer if employees are stretched any more than they already are.
471	The high academic standards and programs such as music, art, physical education, and extra curriculans.
472	The excellent interaction between students and parents.
473	Quality and caring. Classes for special needs children.
474	Busing, number of teachers, art, music or phys ed class. recess
475	I think the music programs are very good, and the gifted program is good for the kids that can participate.

476	The loss of the individual attention given by staff, parents and administrators. The ability to have great education as well as sports and extra curricular activities. The ability to teach basics along with new technology needed to educate the students for the future.
477	The high standards and quality education.
478	Parent involvement, the caring, good teachers thanked and used as role models.
479	The teachers seem to do a good job with the students. I think the teachers should stay.
480	extra-curricular activities need to be included in education - sports and music, etc
481	Committment to excellence.
482	The current leadership. The emphasis on having quality educators.
483	Student to teacher ratio[] Pen pal mentorship[] Peer Intermediator
484	Anymore teachers let go. If anything, you can do without some of the OVERHEAD. I had a vice principle, call me 2 years ago - to talk about something I emailed someone else on. I did not care fo her, and did not care for her - I called you, and brushed it all over attitude. I also needed to talk with her on another topic, and she never returned my call. That is not good.
485	I do not want to see longer school days or added homework. It can be tricky to finish homework, let the kids get some exercise and hopefully have a few moments as a family.
486	I think we have done pretty well, however, the attitude of the school is changing. They do not own us, and they do not tell us what to do. It should be a team effort on the part of school and the tax payers. Where are you Mr. Trapp?[] I could not believe how many students had older brothers and sisters, and the school had scheduled them at different times (early start/late start). Therefore, while Joey is old enough to drive and goes in early, Timmy does not drive and the parents are inconvenienced by having to make a second trip or ask someone to drive their child to school. Oh and don't try to change what's already been put in place, you'll have to give up your first born or you'll receive some brainless email from the counselor. God forbid they may have to do a little work.
487	Football! Just kidding. I like the school system pretty much the way it is now with the exception of uniforms above. I think the hometown atmosphere helps. I do think sports are important in bringing students and parents together.
488	Do not reduce busing, arts programs, education quality should NOT suffer... Some sort of pay to play fee might not be unreasonable since even Rec Deptmts charge small fees... Kudos to all involved in looking for alternate forms of revenue!
489	The music choice of being allowed to sing Christian songs.
490	The emphasis on academic excellence.