



School Planning Meeting – In-Person Participant Question Feedback

Marion Carson School – February 18, 2025

- 1) **We share SDP information and updates in different ways. In what ways have you learned about our SDP?**
 - “The school website is not the first place I would see it.”
 - 10 parents indicate they have heard about it from School Council Meeting.
 - 6 parents have read it from School Messenger.
 - Mr. Turner talks about it.

- 2) **The SDP is developed with all students in mind. Do you agree that:**
 - **Your child's learning can benefit from the goal(s), outcome(s), actions and resources in the SDP?**
 - o 10 agree, 0 disagree
 - **The learning of all students is reflected and prioritized in the goal(s), outcome(s), actions and resources in the SDP?**
 - o 10 agree, 0 disagree
 - o “There is no way for us parents to know about the things that are not academic. How would I know what to ask for? We would love to know what vocabulary our kid is learning about in Social Emotional Learning, for example.”

- 3) **Schools must operate within their budget and too many fees can be unmanageable for families. Knowing that, what activities and services are most important to you?**
 - **1. Field trips**
 - o 8 yes, 2 no
 - **2. In-school activities (Butterflies, Alien InLine Skating, Art Felt Studio, Teacher's Pet, Lady Buggy)**
 - o 8 yes, 2 no
 - **3. School Residencies (Chinese Lunar New Year, Artists)**
 - o 9 yes, 1 no
 - **4. Music Instruments (recorders)**
 - o 6 yes, 4 no

- 4) **Do you agree that:**
 - **The activities our school provides (e.g., field trips, guest speakers, experts in schools, sporting activities, outdoor education, etc.) are important for your child's learning?**
 - o 10 yes, 0 no

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- **The school fees you pay are reasonable considering the benefit they provide your child?**
 - o 7 yes, 3 no
 - o "I do not agree with the lunch program fees. I think the lunch fees are too high. I think there should not be a charge for a lunchroom fee."
 - o "Thank you to the school for only spending money on things that will benefit our child and their education."

5) Additional Questions:

- **Are our fees (Kindergarten ~\$75K, Grade 1-5 ~\$150, Grade 6 ~\$500 (with camp) reasonable?**
 - o "Any activity which involves child development, artistic skill, is worth it!"
 - o "100% for all of it"
 - o "The fees are very reasonable."
- **Do we like the residencies i.e. Lunar New Year?**
 - o "Any activity which involves child development, artistic skill, is worth it!"
 - o "I think \$5 a day was well worth it. My kids were very happy with the experience."
 - o "It provides my kids with different instruction and experiences."
 - o "Being offered the opportunity is wonderful and it is still cheaper than what is offered by the city."