

Appendix A

Middle School Survey Results

Overall Results

1. What elementary school did you attend? (n=141)

Antrim ES	6%
Dublin ES	11%
Francestown ES	6%
Greenfield ES	13%
Hancock ES	8%
Peterborough ES	33%
Pierce ES	8%
Temple ES	8%
Other (Did not attend a ConVal ES)	8%

2. I had a great experience in my elementary school. (n=129)

Strongly Agree	44%
Agree	33%
Slightly Agree	12%
Slightly Disagree	9%
Disagree	0
Strongly Disagree	3%

3. I had at least two really good friends in elementary school. (n=129)

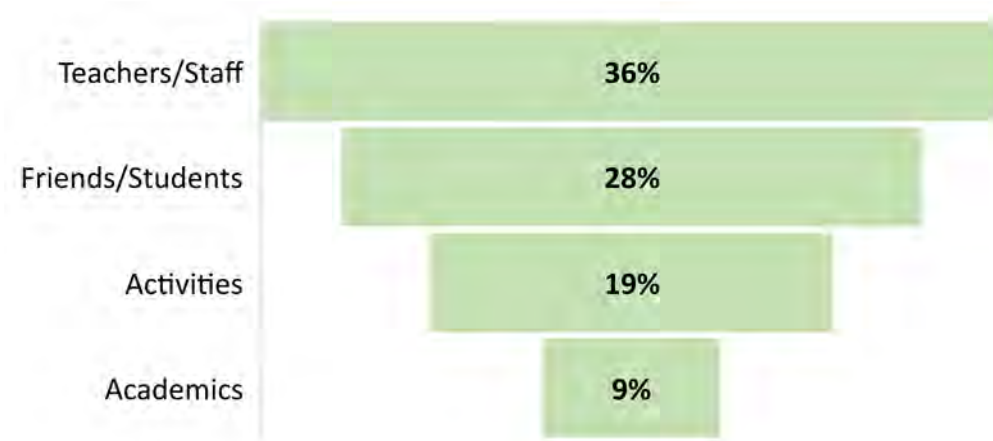
Strongly Agree	74%
Agree	10%
Slightly Agree	10%
Slightly Disagree	2%
Disagree	2%
Strongly Disagree	3%

4. I am still really good friends with my friends from elementary school. (n=130)

Strongly Agree	57%
Agree	25%
Slightly Agree	9%
Slightly Disagree	3%
Disagree	2%
Strongly Disagree	5%

5. The best thing about going to my elementary school was: (n=129)

The best thing about going to my elementary school was:



- ◆ *The small class sizes*
- ◆ *Math and going on walks around the field and instead of eagles we got eagle dollars and we could buy stuff*
- ◆ *NHDI or when we sang songs for different holidays*
- ◆ *That I met new friends and we had a fourth and third grade class.*
- ◆ *the asembles and being an eagle also doing projects*
- ◆ *seeing my friends and doing fun things.*
- ◆ *was I got to see my friends a lot*
- ◆ *meeting the new people*
- ◆ *how nice the teachers were*
- ◆ *Meeting new friends*
- ◆ *meeting my friend.*
- ◆ *Going to school at 8:30*
- ◆ *That we got to do lots of fun activities, and did lots of field trips.*
- ◆ *the 2 grade sleepover at the school in [redacted] class*
- ◆ *It was small so I knew everybody there*
- ◆ *going to school at 8:30*
- ◆ *it was chill.*
- ◆ *field trips*
- ◆ *how nice the teachers were*
- ◆ *building a wigwam*
- ◆ *Was learning new things.*
- ◆ *The specials*
- ◆ *My best thing going to elementary that my mom mother was teaching me.*
- ◆ *I loved all the activities and I had a great time with my teachers!*
- ◆ *Because we were a small school, the teachers could really take the time to get to know each student well.*
- ◆ *All the teachers and people were really nice.*

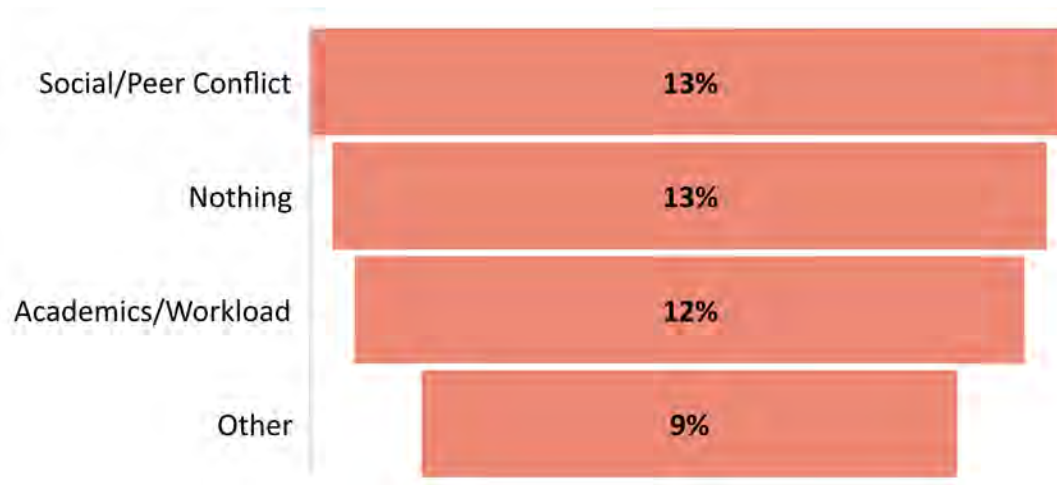
- ◆ *The best about HES was the field and playground*
- ◆ *recess*
- ◆ *Seeing my friends and going to recess and lunch and some of my teachers were nice and arts and crafts.*
- ◆ *My friend John was there.*
- ◆ *My 4th grade teacher*
- ◆ *The fun experience with my friends and teachers were nice.*
- ◆ *Much more chill.*
- ◆ *was the kids and teachers*
- ◆ *recess*
- ◆ *the ice hill*
- ◆ *the two recesses*
- ◆ *it was being with my friends*
- ◆ *4th grade teacher*
- ◆ *getting to make new friends*
- ◆ *making friends*
- ◆ *recess*
- ◆ *How we stayed in the same class each grade so we got to know each other better.*
- ◆ *Hanging with friends*
- ◆ *walk and talk*
- ◆ *The friends.*
- ◆ *Summer camp.*
- ◆ *My friends*
- ◆ *I had just moved from a different country and it was all fun and new to me.*
- ◆ *the teachers*
- ◆ *the specials*
- ◆ *making friends and meeting new people*
- ◆ *The field trips*
- ◆ *I had one teacher for all classes and having many long outside times*
- ◆ *the teachers*
- ◆ *learning*
- ◆ *The teachers*
- ◆ *[redacted] she was a good 3rd and 4th teacher.*
- ◆ *It being easy*
- ◆ *art class*
- ◆ *[redacted] in Kindergarten she was the best teacher ever and made my kindergarten class good*
- ◆ *I met my best friend in elementary.*
- ◆ *soccer*
- ◆ *The teachers/staff and the other students.*
- ◆ *Good teachers and learning material*
- ◆ *learning new things with friends and peers.*
- ◆ *Small class size*
- ◆ *My teachers were awesome and I was able to make friends.*
- ◆ *great teachers*
- ◆ *To see my nice teachers and spend time outside with my friends.*

- ◆ *we had slides and monkey bar with swings.*
- ◆ *the teachers helped us and allowed us to work at are own pace*
- ◆ *having good friends.*
- ◆ *Learning new things and seeing friends.*
- ◆ *having something to play on at recess.*
- ◆ *Recess*
- ◆ *My teachers but not my 2nd grade teacher*
- ◆ *sometimes a teacher and another teacher would be friends and would do projects together*
- ◆ *The teachers were amazing, they made it fun to learn.*
- ◆ *Probably the really kind teachers.*
- ◆ *late start*
- ◆ *The good teachers and students*
- ◆ *NO HOME WORK*
- ◆ *My friends and being in a group with my friends.*
- ◆ *I was still young. I still had friends that started with me!*
- ◆ *It was a lot of fun and I got to do anything that I wanted*
- ◆ *good playground*
- ◆ *The awesome teachers and kids*
- ◆ *Waking up at 7:00 and going to school at 8:20*
- ◆ *My school was small so I felt like I got a lot accomplished*
- ◆ *My fourth grade teacher because, she was with me for three years. Second and third grade she was a para and fourth grade she was my teacher.*
- ◆ *The best thing about my Elementary school is that we had lots of field trips to the Harris center, Adams Playground, etc...I also enjoyed having class pets. (Turtles)*
- ◆ *The best thing about my elementary school was the 50 nifty project.*
- ◆ *the teachers were nice and gave out fun assignments*
- ◆ *The teachers and the classes*
- ◆ *PE*
- ◆ *meeting new people, having fun, learning new things.*
- ◆ *learning long division, making new friends, having fun, having fun and cool teachers.*
- ◆ *it was easy*
- ◆ *My teachers because they were super nice and I loved seeing my friends.*
- ◆ *My classmates and the pawprints that you could get.*
- ◆ *My teachers and friends and the lessons seemed very well thought out.*
- ◆ *build in forts out of fallen branches for 2 years*
- ◆ *my friends and teachers and all the extra stuff like spirit week and water fun day. shorter bus ride*
- ◆ *Hanging out with the boys*
- ◆ *Friends, outdoors at recess and science, art and gym*
- ◆ *we got to have morning recess*
- ◆ *being young and stupid*
- ◆ *seeing my friends*
- ◆ *The best thing about my elementary school was the teachers and the activities.*
- ◆ *Hanging out with my BFF*
- ◆ *Fun projects*
- ◆ *My 4th grade teacher*

- ◆ *The teachers and the events.*
- ◆ *my teachers*
- ◆ *Not having a ton of kids all in one school.*
- ◆ *teachers*
- ◆ *I got to sleep more so I got more energy for school work.*
- ◆ *The Best thing about going to elementary school was specials.*
- ◆ *The best thing about elementary school was my teachers and friends.*
- ◆ *the teachers*
- ◆ *everything is the same here except more freedom*
- ◆ *Having a playground*
- ◆ *The kind teachers*
- ◆ *I don't remember a lot about my elementary school experience but I thought the whole thing was really fun.*
- ◆ *Being able to roll across the gym floor with flat floor scooters.*
- ◆ *The best thing about elementary school was how much freedom we had. During lunch we didn't have to sit down the whole time and we were allowed to walk around.*

6. The worst thing about going to my elementary school was: (n=128)

The worst thing about going to my elementary school was:



- ◆ *The small class sizes*
- ◆ *when a teacher came in and teacher came in and taught math in fourth grade*
- ◆ *Their pizza was disgusting*
- ◆ *It was really small and we didn't get to have our fourth grade teacher for the whole year we only had her for the first and last part of school.*
- ◆ *not eating in the cafeteria*
- ◆ *waking up early.*
- ◆ *i did not really get to see my sister a lot*
- ◆ *they taught a lot of the same stuff twice or more*
- ◆ *the drama and bullying*
- ◆ *people getting mad when you got a answer wrong*

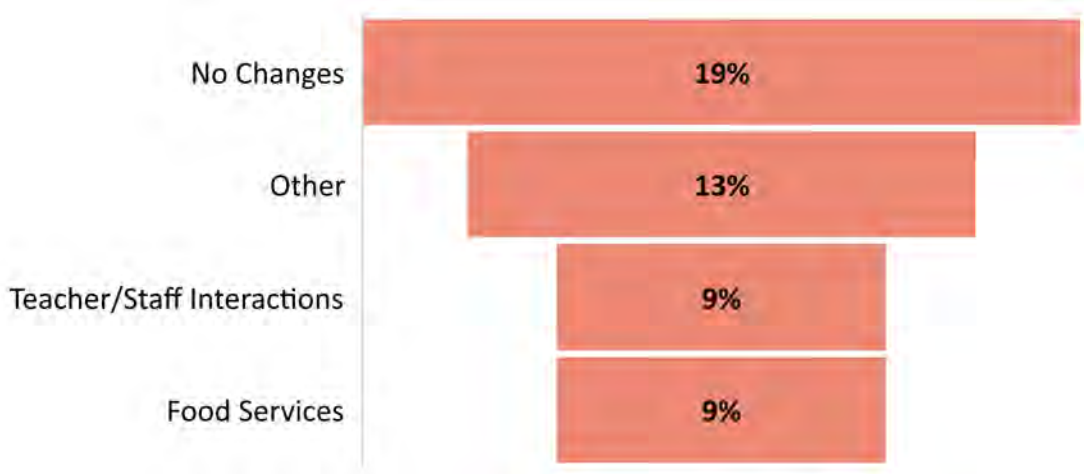
- ◆ *a lot of teachers*
- ◆ *having to stay in one class*
- ◆ *It felt like we were stuck with the same group and same people.*
- ◆ *when the teachers were teaching they could have made the learning experience for fun so like I would not be forced that its work I would be forced that its like a game or something*
- ◆ *There was never really a teacher that stayed at the school for a lot of years*
- ◆ *the food*
- ◆ *it was stinky.*
- ◆ *the bathrooms*
- ◆ *some of the kids in my grade*
- ◆ *reading*
- ◆ *fourth grade*
- ◆ *We could have done some more interesting things for the specials.*
- ◆ *The worst part was the school food.*
- ◆ *Making friends.*
- ◆ *The worst part about HES was the school food.*
- ◆ *music*
- ◆ *I did not like my first grade teacher.*
- ◆ *Having to be in the same class so same kids every day ever*
- ◆ *the food*
- ◆ *Not being included with my friends at recess.*
- ◆ *Not enough independence*
- ◆ *the lack of kids*
- ◆ *not having as many people.*
- ◆ *The lack of afterschool activities*
- ◆ *Nothing much, it was just that I had never seen so many americans in one place so I was a bit uncomfortable sometimes.*
- ◆ *Nobody wanted to be friends with me.*
- ◆ *Bad Friends.*
- ◆ *not enough after school activities*
- ◆ *moving from my original school*
- ◆ *The food*
- ◆ *I was the new kid*
- ◆ *the way classes were*
- ◆ *learning*
- ◆ *The office ladies*
- ◆ *The lack of special classes and extracurricular activites*
- ◆ *The lack of after school clubs.*
- ◆ *I was a new kid and I didn't like anyone there*
- ◆ *Lack of specials*
- ◆ *There were lots of difficulties during class sometimes so it was hard to.*
- ◆ *COVID-19*
- ◆ *a lot of worksheets*
- ◆ *Sometimes when someone in the class would do something wrong and then we all get in trouble.*
- ◆ *there was a lot of writing*

- ◆ *some people being mean.*
- ◆ *bullies*
- ◆ *Some kids in my classes were difficult and interrupted learning and made me as well as other students feel scared.*
- ◆ *soccer at recess.*
- ◆ *Reading class*
- ◆ *I broke a lot of bones but I don't think that's the schools fault*
- ◆ *bullies*
- ◆ *Some kids did not take a liking to me and could sometimes be mean.*
- ◆ *not challenged*
- ◆ *they did not have good choices for food. They never had space for fourth graders with the third graders we couldn't fit if we sat outside more that would work better.*
- ◆ *Some subjects were not in my interests and we didn't get a lot of field trips, and when we did, we didn't go far.*
- ◆ *Some of the math problems were harder then others.*
- ◆ *The bad beans and when the milk was bad they wouldn't get rid of it unless you told them!*
- ◆ *I was not challenged enough and was bored in almost every class except math*
- ◆ *I really liked everything but I wish we had more food choices*
- ◆ *Having the same teacher all day*
- ◆ *DOING TESTS!*
- ◆ *The worst thing about my Elementary school was that the carpets had a line of glue that held it together that was really easy to trip over and multiple people have tripped.*
- ◆ *fisher cat field trip*
- ◆ *The worst thing about elementary school was NEWA and NHsas testing.*
- ◆ *In each classroom there was a line of glue running down the entire floor.*
- ◆ *Health*
- ◆ *not having any school runed sports.*
- ◆ *not haveing a lot of people*
- ◆ *Covid*
- ◆ *Reading, covid*
- ◆ *I got bullied a little bit but it got taken care of.*
- ◆ *they started removing some of the fun activities like building forts because kids use the oddly formed sticks and use them as guns :[*
- ◆ *less lunch options*
- ◆ *Covid shutdown*
- ◆ *Having recces with the whole school*
- ◆ *Some of the teachers*
- ◆ *not enough kids in the school*
- ◆ *my work*
- ◆ *I think the worst thing was the schedule that we had.*
- ◆ *When I had to switch the remote learning in the middle of the year*
- ◆ *The people in my class*
- ◆ *Having to wake up*
- ◆ *Reading the book Holes in 3rd grade.*
- ◆ *math*
- ◆ *math class*

- ◆ *There were only three specials.*
- ◆ *The worst thing about going to elementary was mathematics.*
- ◆ *The worst thing about going to elementary school was only having 10 kids in my 4th grade class.*
- ◆ *math*
- ◆ *I got bullied a lot throughout second and third grade*
- ◆ *There weren't any sports teams*
- ◆ *The worst thing about elementary school was probably the classes because the only time in the day you could see someone not in your class was recess.*
- ◆ *Having to wear masks during covid, and having to leave mid third grade to zoom the rest of the year.*
- ◆ *The worst thing about going to elementary school was the social distancing, having masks and virtual school*

7. What is one thing you would change about your elementary school experience? (n=129)

What is one thing you would change about your elementary school experience?



- ◆ *To have bigger classes*
- ◆ *we should of got ice cream*
- ◆ *the pizza for lunch*
- ◆ *To have our teacher for at least half of the year.*
- ◆ *to eat in the cafeteria*
- ◆ *I would change the time we got out of school.*
- ◆ *elementary school was fun I don't think I would change anything.*
- ◆ *that everyone HAS to be kind even if someone got the answer wrong*
- ◆ *learning new things each year*
- ◆ *distancing myself from people that created drama*
- ◆ *having more help in kindergarten*
- ◆ *Having to stay in one class*

- ◆ *The schedule I was struggling with in Literacy which this school calls ELA. because It felt too early to be doing so hard work so I mainly dozed off while doing it. I would have rather had math in the morning instead.*
- ◆ *that we all had lockers in 3rd grade I did not have a locker I had to keep my stuff on the hall floor*
- ◆ *A bigger playground*
- ◆ *the sports program*
- ◆ *sports*
- ◆ *the specials.*
- ◆ *redo 4th grade since didn't finish since covid*
- ◆ *needs more staff and fixing and need a air colding thing tho cold in the spring and fall.*
- ◆ *I would have more free time*
- ◆ *I had an amazing elementary school experience but if I had to change something I would add more extracurricular activities.*
- ◆ *Having more girls in my class.*
- ◆ *I would change the amount of time for lunch because it was way too short*
- ◆ *the music specials*
- ◆ *Not having to go the office to eat lunch with someone for like a year.*
- ◆ *The playground*
- ◆ *Having some friends from GBS there.*
- ◆ *how many people don't like it*
- ◆ *have more people.*
- ◆ *More free time*
- ◆ *better friends*
- ◆ *More friends.*
- ◆ *I would have more specials*
- ◆ *More afterschool activities*
- ◆ *Better lockers*
- ◆ *have better teachers*
- ◆ *Get a better friend*
- ◆ *I would want a new 3rd grade teacher*
- ◆ *I would go to kindergarten.*
- ◆ *I would change the fact that there were small spaces for a large number of kids*
- ◆ *I would have rather not have taken the bus, my ride was very long.*
- ◆ *More specials classes (would have made school much more engaging and fun)*
- ◆ *One thing I would want to change would be having more teachers in the classroom.*
- ◆ *Longer recess*
- ◆ *less worksheets*
- ◆ *I would change a teacher because a teacher that I really liked left the school and I wanted her to come back.*
- ◆ *less writing*
- ◆ *get in less trouble.*
- ◆ *I would change the classes in a way so that the students that cause problems would be in a different class than the rest of the kids.*
- ◆ *longer recess.*

- ◆ *being with the same kids and teacher all day got boring*
- ◆ *Not have reading class*
- ◆ *maybe I would change the orientation with all 4th grades in one area and all 2nd grades in one area etc.*
- ◆ *I am really afraid of loud noises and I didn't like the fire alarms.*
- ◆ *when I was in third grade I think they should have held on for a bit with homework*
- ◆ *have the school be a ten story SCHOOL!`*
- ◆ *More reading or going to the library because we only went to the library on Fridays.*
- ◆ *I would add more lunch choices*
- ◆ *more kids and learning stuff in classes besides math*
- ◆ *more nicer kids*
- ◆ *I don't think ill change anything*
- ◆ *NO COVID!!!!!!!!*
- ◆ *One thing I would change about my elementary school is that I want there to be more lunch choices.*
- ◆ *One thing that I would change about my elementary school is the fact that there were not a lot of options and sides to our lunches.*
- ◆ *4 square*
- ◆ *bigger play structure*
- ◆ *More lunch options in the lunch room.*
- ◆ *Not having Health*
- ◆ *teachers leaving.*
- ◆ *leaving the school.*
- ◆ *there being more kids*
- ◆ *If I could change one thing I would choose not to get bullied.*
- ◆ *being able to build forts the entire school year*
- ◆ *more art time*
- ◆ *no shutdown*
- ◆ *having fourth and third grade have recess together second and first and kindergarten have recess together*
- ◆ *team spots*
- ◆ *not enough play ground things*
- ◆ *my approach to homework*
- ◆ *I think if I could change something about my experience it would be the teachers that I had because some of them were not the best.*
- ◆ *I would change it so that I only did remote learning in 4th grade*
- ◆ *Better people and teachers*
- ◆ *Having school start later*
- ◆ *the science in 4th grade*
- ◆ *Not staying in the same classroom all school year.*
- ◆ *One thing I would want to change is to have some more food options.*
- ◆ *I would change some of the friendships I made.*
- ◆ *the science projects in 4th grade*
- ◆ *the playground because it was babyish*
- ◆ *Being bullied*

- ◆ *I would make lunch a whole grade thing.*
- ◆ *Add sports*
- ◆ *One thing I would change would be that we should start earlier as when I was in elementary school I woke up very early.*

8. From what I have seen, I was better prepared for middle school than most of the students from other elementary schools. (n=129)

Strongly Agree	14%
Agree	31%
Slightly Agree	34%
Slightly Disagree	11%
Disagree	6%
Strongly Disagree	4%

9. What middle school do you attend? (n=141)

Great Brook	28%
South Meadow	69%
Dublin (5 th grade)	3%

10. My current best friends went to different elementary schools than the one I did. (n=137)

Strongly Agree	23%
Agree	18%
Slightly Agree	20%
Slightly Disagree	11%
Disagree	15%
Strongly Disagree	13%

11. During free time at school (like lunch), I have friends I like to be with. (n=141)

Strongly Agree	70%
Agree	24%
Slightly Agree	3%
Slightly Disagree	1%
Disagree	0%
Strongly Disagree	1%

12. I feel happy at this school. (n=141)

Strongly Agree	33%
Agree	30%
Slightly Agree	22%
Slightly Disagree	11%
Disagree	4%
Strongly Disagree	1%

13. I feel welcome and accepted at this school. (n=139)

Strongly Agree	33%
Agree	39%
Slightly Agree	14%
Slightly Disagree	6%
Disagree	4%
Strongly Disagree	5%

14. My current classes are interesting. (n=140)

Strongly Agree	20%
Agree	34%
Slightly Agree	29%
Slightly Disagree	11%
Disagree	4%
Strongly Disagree	2%

15. This school can be described as a good place to learn. (n=140)

Strongly Agree	31%
Agree	39%
Slightly Agree	17%
Slightly Disagree	9%
Disagree	3%
Strongly Disagree	1%

16. There is at least one adult at this school to whom I can go when I have a problem. (n=140)

Strongly Agree	41%
Agree	26%
Slightly Agree	13%
Slightly Disagree	6%
Disagree	9%
Strongly Disagree	4%

17. I think this middle school is better than the other ConVal middle school. (n=137)

Strongly Agree	40%
Agree	24%
Slightly Agree	20%
Slightly Disagree	8%
Disagree	3%
Strongly Disagree	4%

18. The school library meets my needs for books and other resources. (n=138)

Strongly Agree	28%
Agree	38%
Slightly Agree	20%
Slightly Disagree	9%
Disagree	3%
Strongly Disagree	3%

19. I think it would be great if there were more students at this school. (n=139)

Strongly Agree	12%
Agree	10%
Slightly Agree	21%
Slightly Disagree	15%
Disagree	23%
Strongly Disagree	19%

20. I would like middle school better if there were fewer students in my classes. (n=137)

Strongly Agree	14%
Agree	11%
Slightly Agree	24%
Slightly Disagree	18%
Disagree	18%
Strongly Disagree	15%

21. There are not enough electives in arts (music, art, theater) at this school. (n=140)

Strongly Agree	15%
Agree	12%
Slightly Agree	19%
Slightly Disagree	20%
Disagree	24%
Strongly Disagree	10%

22. I would like more options for science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) courses. (n=139)

Strongly Agree	25%
Agree	17%
Slightly Agree	25%
Slightly Disagree	16%
Disagree	11%
Strongly Disagree	6%

23. I think middle school students should be able to learn a world language such as Spanish or French. (n=141)

Strongly Agree	47%
Agree	20%
Slightly Agree	18%
Slightly Disagree	4%
Disagree	5%
Strongly Disagree	7%

24. There are plenty of clubs at this school. (n=140)

Strongly Agree	29%
Agree	33%
Slightly Agree	19%
Slightly Disagree	8%
Disagree	6%
Strongly Disagree	4%

25. There are plenty of sports options at this school. (n=140)

Strongly Agree	34%
Agree	35%
Slightly Agree	12%
Slightly Disagree	12%
Disagree	4%
Strongly Disagree	2%

26. This school would be better if: (n=141)

- ◆ *We had a language to learn/lower homework expectations*
- ◆ *Students could have their own club that they could start*
- ◆ *It had all the grades in it so I could stay in in for all of my school years.*
- ◆ *You could actually hear the morning show*
- ◆ *there were more sports*
- ◆ *there was a little bit more recess time.*
- ◆ *they prepared you for 7 and 8 grade sports. They addressed the problem with you and you got to talk to the person yourself with a person in the room. if they did more hands on projects. If they let you play outside before and after testing to move around after sitting down for long*
- ◆ *they let the 5th grader do more things they should be the ones experiencing new things.*
- ◆ *if there was advanced classes for more subjects*
- ◆ *every except who other people are*
- ◆ *There was more recess*
- ◆ *The kids can have the ability to go up a grade or 2 higher than the one they are in right now.*
- ◆ *teachers showed more exiting activities*

- ◆ *If I could have had time to practice navigating it*
- ◆ *it had shorter days*
- ◆ *there were classes to learn other languages and if we just had better stuff.*
- ◆ *there was more time in specials.*
- ◆ *This school would be better if we got more funding.*
- ◆ *I think the school would be better if you could learn different languages.*
- ◆ *If there was a horse back riding club for all grades.*
- ◆ *to have more thing to do.*
- ◆ *if there were coaches for the sports*
- ◆ *we did not have to come to school so early*
- ◆ *there was more recess time*
- ◆ *more kids*
- ◆ *longer recess*
- ◆ *They let you wear your hood.*
- ◆ *The bathroom stalls actually locked and the toilets didn't explode and the water wasn't milk colored (:*
- ◆ *I don't think I would really change much I love it here!*
- ◆ *Had more free time for students*
- ◆ *there was more activities for 5th graders*
- ◆ *The teachers were nicer too us*
- ◆ *The bathrooms didn't explode*
- ◆ *Classes were shorter.*
- ◆ *It got cleaned.*
- ◆ *the robotics team was more accepting.*
- ◆ *there are more students*
- ◆ *if it had more kids*
- ◆ *the teachers were less strict in the halls*
- ◆ *the day was shorter*
- ◆ *we had more free time*
- ◆ *we could play clash in class*
- ◆ *They put up more murals.*
- ◆ *shorter classes*
- ◆ *They had better food*
- ◆ *Nicer people. More understanding teachers. Less judgement over trans people.*
- ◆ *we had a second floor or a hangout spot just for eight graders and if we got to use the lockers and have our own combination*
- ◆ *If we had more space were classes are so they aren't so close. like the high school I want different wings for each subject*
- ◆ *D and D was all year*
- ◆ *we had a ski club*
- ◆ *they had better food*
- ◆ *if there was more work on essentials (Science, ELA*
- ◆ *better food*
- ◆ *This school would be better if they taught more inclusive ideologies to students in order to create a safer environment for children that are viewed as different.*

- ◆ *There was a cafeteria and more things to do at recess.*
- ◆ *we could learn a new language like Spanish or French*
- ◆ *We had more freedom*
- ◆ *Better cafeteria*
- ◆ *if there where more free time*
- ◆ *More space in classrooms.*
- ◆ *It was more accepting of the lgbtq community.*
- ◆ *there were more classes and spaces*
- ◆ *it had a second floor and a bigger gym*
- ◆ *there were more subjects and more harder subjects for kids that are ahead or falling behind*
- ◆ *There was a strong language program. I would love to learn different languages and their different cultures. Also I would really like it if we were allowed to use lockers because I do sports, band, and E.H.P. My bag is really heavy with all my stuff and I would really benefit (I'm sure other students would too) if I had a place to put most of it.*
- ◆ *More recess*
- ◆ *school had a later start time, such as 8:00! we should have language classes at sms!*
- ◆ *more stuff to do at recesce*
- ◆ *More diverse specials (languages, etc.)*
- ◆ *It would be better if you didn't have to wake up so early in the mornings and if there were more recess activities (swings.*
- ◆ *if the bus ride was shorter*
- ◆ *I had less kids in my classes and the kids in my school actually listen to my thoughts and opinions and to the teacher.*
- ◆ *there were more strict rules.*
- ◆ *School started later*
- ◆ *we were able to get up at a reasonable time*
- ◆ *there were less people in the classes at a time*
- ◆ *if there was a way to make work time quieter*
- ◆ *The school lunch was better.*
- ◆ *There were language classes.*
- ◆ *we got listen to music*
- ◆ *we had more freedom*
- ◆ *There was a bird watching club.*
- ◆ *Fifth graders could do sports*
- ◆ *There are Bunches of sports but not enough for the 5th graders we need more Sports We also need more freedom*
- ◆ *you could choose electives and have more freedom*
- ◆ *If fifth graders could do Sports*
- ◆ *Fifth graders can do Sports and More clubs and sports and stuff and like all the clubs so it would be fair*
- ◆ *The teachers had year agendas, more fifth grade sports, more clubs all the time.*
- ◆ *i could wake up later*
- ◆ *I could do drama club*
- ◆ *5th graders had more sports choices*
- ◆ *we had bowling*

- ◆ *the students could cook what they wanted to have.*
- ◆ *This school would be better if the sports and clubs did not have age restrictions.*
- ◆ *You could do more sports in 5th grade*
- ◆ *it had school sports*
- ◆ *a playground*
- ◆ *We had longer recess*
- ◆ *there were more clubs and dances*
- ◆ *Less homework and more roller skating nights for 6th 7th and 8th only*
- ◆ *We would be allowed to chew gum*
- ◆ *They had more extracurricular activities and more students and a uniform*
- ◆ *No MATH*
- ◆ *5 grade could do more sports*
- ◆ *5th grade sports*
- ◆ *if it started later*
- ◆ *FACS was closer to the fifth grade wing*
- ◆ *less math and science*
- ◆ *The teachers where a little more understanding , like more open to hearing both sides of the story because I have recently realized that a good amount of teachers will believe whatever they want to believe*
- ◆ *It was more relaxed.*
- ◆ *If we had more field trips.*
- ◆ *This school would be better if we shared wings with other grades like instead of 7 and 5 I think it would be more fun with 7 and 8 in a wing.*
- ◆ *I had more friends*
- ◆ *It would be a lot better if people were less loud*
- ◆ *there were more things to play on at recess*
- ◆ *The classes where shorter and we had more specials*
- ◆ *The people who caused a problem were given consequences instead of the whole group.*
- ◆ *there were more art classes*
- ◆ *They had a survey asking what clubs or activities they should add. I want there to be a middle school equestrian club. Because I know kids who want to ride when they get or are here at this school.*
- ◆ *lunch lines should be smaller*
- ◆ *Students didn't have to buy as much supplies.*
- ◆ *There were no NWEA tests*
- ◆ *There was more time to play volleyball than just in the Fall.*
- ◆ *it had more clubs for 5th grade*
- ◆ *It had a playground*
- ◆ *We had more recess options*
- ◆ *I would like it if the skiing program came back.*
- ◆ *The school would be better if it started later.*

27. The best thing about this school is: (n=141)

- ◆ *Extra Curriculars/Some of the teachers*
- ◆ *the activities*
- ◆ *I love all the teachers because they are nice and my mom works at the school.*
- ◆ *the ice cream at lunch*
- ◆ *the clubs*
- ◆ *all the clubs.*
- ◆ *the friend ships and how nice the teachers are*
- ◆ *all of the fun clubs and things to do and art class.*
- ◆ *the teachers are nice*
- ◆ *that I got to meet new people when I came here*
- ◆ *seeing my friends*
- ◆ *There Is an even amount of everything, (and the teachers are biased towards certain students)*
- ◆ *that I have teachers to talk to.*
- ◆ *There are a lot of different fun classes*
- ◆ *the sports*
- ◆ *skate night. and we don't have enough of those.*
- ◆ *classes are split up into groups in stead of it in one class.*
- ◆ *The best thing about this school is the great teachers.*
- ◆ *It is a really fun learning experience.*
- ◆ *That I can finally be in the horse back riding club this year.*
- ◆ *recess*
- ◆ *I get be with my friends*
- ◆ *the teachers and students*
- ◆ *sports*
- ◆ *food*
- ◆ *You get time in the morning to play computer games.*
- ◆ *The staff*
- ◆ *The best thing about GBS is probably clubs/teams like robotics, art club, and sports*
- ◆ *I really love all the programs and I have a ton of fun at vex and GBS is overall a great place in my opinion!*
- ◆ *the clubs*
- ◆ *lunch/gym/IAT/F.A.C.S*
- ◆ *Having a soccer program*
- ◆ *my peeps, my dawgs, my homeslizzles*
- ◆ *All my friends*
- ◆ *I have friends in this school.*
- ◆ *lunch.*
- ◆ *Nothing*
- ◆ *the teachers*
- ◆ *nothing*
- ◆ *it has fun things to do*
- ◆ *lunch*

- ◆ *math!!!!!!!!!!!!*
- ◆ *this school cares about everyone*
- ◆ *the teachers*
- ◆ *friends*
- ◆ *Sports and my friends*
- ◆ *The friends ive made.*
- ◆ *Sports*
- ◆ *field trips and class experiments*
- ◆ *Sports*
- ◆ *Friends*
- ◆ *D and D*
- ◆ *my friends*
- ◆ *math*
- ◆ *sports*
- ◆ *The friends*
- ◆ *Recces*
- ◆ *Intervention*
- ◆ *my friends and teachers and staff*
- ◆ *The teachers and how nice they are*
- ◆ *The sports*
- ◆ *EHP*
- ◆ *Doing sports and clubs.*
- ◆ *the teachers*
- ◆ *the decor*
- ◆ *the teachers*
- ◆ *The teachers/staff and other students.*
- ◆ *that there are more kids in my classes with more diversity and people I can talk to and have fun with*
- ◆ *There are a lot of extra things to do besides school.*
- ◆ *Teachers*
- ◆ *the clubs*
- ◆ *intervention, a time to be helped or pushed in any classes necessary.*
- ◆ *helpful teachers and fun specials*
- ◆ *The amazing teachers!*
- ◆ *the sports.*
- ◆ *My friends and band class.*
- ◆ *the big open field we play on at reeses*
- ◆ *my friends.*
- ◆ *the bus*
- ◆ *I got a lot of really cool friends that I will have for a long time*
- ◆ *Everyone is nice. No one is ever really mean or means to say something offensive.*
- ◆ *The food (much better than my elementary school :).*
- ◆ *switching classes*
- ◆ *more choices*
- ◆ *My friends.*

- ◆ Lunch
- ◆ All the classes
- ◆ a lot of kids
- ◆ The more food choices and freedom
- ◆ The fun clubs an Lunch
- ◆ most of the teachers
- ◆ everybody is nice and cool
- ◆ my social studies teacher Mrs. Hayes
- ◆ All of the CLASSES.
- ◆ the teachers are kind
- ◆ lunch menu
- ◆ I have two best things about this school: LUNCH! and the freedom compared to PES.
- ◆ The teachers and classes
- ◆ the teachers
- ◆ the teachers
- ◆ F.A.C.S
- ◆ the people
- ◆ Some teachers, recess and seeing my friends
- ◆ Some teachers
- ◆ My friends.
- ◆ My friends and teacher and the lessons are mostly pretty interesting
- ◆ the people
- ◆ Ela
- ◆ Lunch
- ◆ switching classes
- ◆ mor opportunity
- ◆ computers
- ◆ we don't have to move around a lot
- ◆ recess
- ◆ The adults in the building let the kids hangout a lot we have a long recess and long lunch time and if we are good the teachers let us have talking time in the halls before class.
- ◆ My friends.
- ◆ sports.
- ◆ The best thing about this school is the clubs and sports
- ◆ Sports
- ◆ Hanging out with my besties
- ◆ 3d printing
- ◆ Some of the teacher
- ◆ The sports and events.
- ◆ art class
- ◆ Spirit week and spirit games.
- ◆ teachers
- ◆ There are so many teachers.
- ◆ Lunch!
- ◆ the freedom

- ◆ *That there is plenty of sports options and that the school day is full of activity.*
- ◆ *The teachers, some of the people, the sports, and the specials.*
- ◆ *teachers*
- ◆ *The food*
- ◆ *All my friends*
- ◆ *I like how there are different people in different classes because it gives people a chance to see different people.*
- ◆ *The best thing about this school is EHP.*

28. Most days in elementary school, I: (n=140)

Ate the school lunch	46%
Brought lunch from home	52%
Didn't eat lunch	2%

29. The middle school lunches are much better than the elementary school lunches were. (n=135)

Strongly Agree	33%
Agree	19%
Slightly Agree	27%
Slightly Disagree	4%
Disagree	7%
Strongly Disagree	10%

30. I eat the middle school lunch on most days. (n=140)

Strongly Agree	23%
Agree	18%
Slightly Agree	14%
Slightly Disagree	6%
Disagree	19%
Strongly Disagree	20%

31. Most days, I get to school: (n=141)

On the school bus	59%
In a personal car	34%
By walking	4%
Other	3%

32. Why don't you usually ride the bus? (n=51)

- ◆ *Because my parents can bring me. I would also have to get up really early*
- ◆ *Because my mom works at the school.*
- ◆ *well I ride the bus home when I don't have field hock witch the season is over so now I take the bus home every day but not to school*
- ◆ *because my parents can drive me*

- ◆ *because my dad or mom can drive me to school and the bus is noisy and the older kids say curse words and I just HATE the bus.*
- ◆ *because a personal ride is easier*
- ◆ *because my house is just down the street and some kids like to get food or items and threw em at people -_-*
- ◆ *because would not get home till 4:30*
- ◆ *The bus driver is SO MEAN. She yells at me every day and made me walk home in 2nd grade from the side of the highway. I have been written up more times than I've rode the bus and for things I didn't even do. She is so mean and makes my day awful. and I'm not the only one.*
- ◆ *I use to with my friends but I don't because the bus come at different times ever day.*
- ◆ *I like it because my parents can pick me up and it does not take as long to get home.*
- ◆ *because in the morning I would have to get up at like 430*
- ◆ *sports*
- ◆ *its way too long of a ride*
- ◆ *I don't usually ride the bus because I don't want to wake up at 5:15 in the morning*
- ◆ *I can't I'm a transfer and the bus does not come to my town*
- ◆ *It comes to late*
- ◆ *My mom drops me off on her way to work*
- ◆ *it comes way to early.*
- ◆ *its too loud*
- ◆ *the bus is to long*
- ◆ *My mom works from home and I live close, so I don't have to*
- ◆ *Before I moved I took the bus after sports were over but now I get driven home*
- ◆ *cause the bus queer*
- ◆ *My brother drives me*
- ◆ *A parent brings me to school.*
- ◆ *bc I have someone to drive me*
- ◆ *soccer*
- ◆ *I live very close to school (less than 5 minutes) but if I walked I would have to cross a river. If I took the bus it would take a lot longer to get home and a parent is almost always available to drive me home.*
- ◆ *I do on days that I don't have sports/ I do sports*
- ◆ *Too early*
- ◆ *My parents are able to drop me off at school, and not taking the bus means I have a little more time to get ready in the mornings.*
- ◆ *because I need to sleep because waking up early makes me tired.*
- ◆ *Because my parents think I'll get bullied by high schoolers on the bus cuz my friend got bullied by high schoolers on the bus*
- ◆ *Because they don't stop at my house*
- ◆ *Because my parents are afraid I'll get bullied cuz my friend got bullied on the bus*
- ◆ *Because my mom can take me most days .*
- ◆ *My parents can pick me up!*
- ◆ *my mom dives me*
- ◆ *We have cross country*

- ◆ *because I live close to the school*
- ◆ *Because I live very close and there for there is no bus that comes around my house*
- ◆ *my mom works here*
- ◆ *People*
- ◆ *I ride the bus in the afternoon but it does get very loud.*
- ◆ *I don't ride the bus to school because there isn't a bus route that goes to my house in Hancock.*
- ◆ *In the afternoon I ride the late bus because I have sports*
- ◆ *I'm not usually scheduled to take the bus and I hate loud noises and the bus is full of them so I don't want to take it to school*
- ◆ *I don't wake up in time and I don't wanna have to walk a mile to the bus stop because they wont come down my road.*
- ◆ *I don't usually ride the bus because my parents are home they can bring me to school.*

33. On a normal day, how long is your bus ride? (n=82)

- ◆ *1 hour (15 responses)*
- ◆ *45 min-1 hr*
- ◆ *1 hour and 30 minutes*
- ◆ *About 30 to 40 minutes*
- ◆ *30 minutes (4 responses)*
- ◆ *About 45 minutes.*
- ◆ *5 - 10 minutes.*
- ◆ *1 to 1:10 hour min*
- ◆ *~25 min*
- ◆ *45 min (7 responses)*
- ◆ *20 min*
- ◆ *10 minutes (2 responses)*
- ◆ *35min*
- ◆ *30-40 mins*
- ◆ *not long*
- ◆ *1 hour 10 minutes*
- ◆ *10-15 minutes*
- ◆ *50 minutes*
- ◆ *50 minutes to an hour*
- ◆ *15 mins (9 responses)*
- ◆ *About three minutes*
- ◆ *15-20 minutes*
- ◆ *a little bit more than an hour*
- ◆ *10-15 minutes*
- ◆ *10 to 12 minutes*
- ◆ *10? maybe 5*
- ◆ *About 20 minutes long.*
- ◆ *55 mins long (but I love to talk to my bus driver and other kids)*
- ◆ *It depends which bus I am riding. 26= 10 m 5=40m 18= 10m*

- ◆ 30 minutes
- ◆ it is sort of long but not too long.
- ◆ 10-15 mins
- ◆ 30 to 40 minutes but I don't mind it
- ◆ My bus ride is usually around 15 minutes.
- ◆ About 40 minutes.
- ◆ 5 minutes
- ◆ 55
- ◆ 45-50 min
- ◆ a hour and ten minutes
- ◆ about 25-30 minutes
- ◆ around 50 minutes
- ◆ About 20 minutes
- ◆ 20 or 25 minutes
- ◆ Around two minutes.
- ◆ Five minutes
- ◆ 40 mins
- ◆ 30 - 40 mins at most
- ◆ From my dad's house, about an hour, from my mom's house, 5 to 10 minutes.
- ◆ 5 to 10 minutes

34. On a normal day, how long does it take to get to your bus stop? (n=80)

- ◆ 2 min
- ◆ my bus stop is at my house so litterly like 10 sec
- ◆ 6 minutes
- ◆ 5 minutes (11 responses)
- ◆ About 45 minutes
- ◆ 10 - 15 minutes.
- ◆ 1 min (5 responses)
- ◆ like 30 seconds
- ◆ 10 mins
- ◆ ~2-3 min
- ◆ 5 sec
- ◆ 30 minutes
- ◆ like 45 min
- ◆ 3 seconds (2 responses)
- ◆ 50
- ◆ 3 minutes
- ◆ less than a minute
- ◆ 50 min
- ◆ 40 minutes
- ◆ 2 hour
- ◆ 15 minutes

- ◆ 50 minutes to an hour
- ◆ 10 mins
- ◆ 10-15 mins
- ◆ About 45 minutes getting off because im not the last one but im the first one on in the morning so about 1 hour.
- ◆ 10min to walk
- ◆ it doesn't take any time for me to get to my bus stop now before it took almost ten minutes
- ◆ 45m
- ◆ 1-3 mins
- ◆ 2 minutes.
- ◆ 10 seconds (4 responses)
- ◆ walking home it takes 45 minutes probably
- ◆ like a few second it at my driveway
- ◆ Probably about 45 minutes.
- ◆ at my moms house 5m at my dads 30 seconds
- ◆ I'm about the last stop, so it takes longer than other stops.
- ◆ 3-5 mins
- ◆ It takes about 5 minutes to get to my bus stop
- ◆ 40 minutes
- ◆ 1 second the bus picks me up from my house
- ◆ 30 seconds driving 2 minutes walking
- ◆ 2 minutes.
- ◆ 8
- ◆ 3 minutes from my house
- ◆ 15 minutes
- ◆ five seconds my stop is my driveway
- ◆ 6 min
- ◆ around 51 minutes
- ◆ 2 mins
- ◆ Around ten minutes
- ◆ It takes either 14 minutes in a car or 7 minutes on foot.
- ◆ 30 seconds (7 responses)
- ◆ From my dad's house, a minute, from my mom's house 5 minutes.

35. Do you think it would be okay for elementary school students to ride on the bus with middle or high school students? (n=139)

Yes	20%
No	60%
Unsure	20%

36. This school is clean. (n=136)

Most of the time	50%
Some of the time	37%
Not usually	8%
Almost never	5%

37. This year, all my classes have enough space for them. (n=135)

Strongly Agree	21%
Agree	46%
Slightly Agree	21%
Slightly Disagree	7%
Disagree	2%
Strongly Disagree	2%

38. This year, all my classes have all the equipment we need. (n=135)

Strongly Agree	22%
Agree	46%
Slightly Agree	19%
Slightly Disagree	8%
Disagree	1%
Strongly Disagree	3%

39. In what grade are you currently? (n=135)

5 th	26%
6 th	22%
7 th	23%
8 th	29%

40. What is your gender? (n=134)

Male	41%
Female	48%
Prefer not to answer	5%
Other	6%

41. We have asked you these questions to help your old elementary school and current middle school improve. If you have any other ideas or thoughts about how they could be improved, please tell us here. (n=94)

- ◆ *in every sink there should be drinking water and clean water*
- ◆ *at Pierce make actual pizza that tastes good*
- ◆ *for all of the fifth grade advisories to share the same information and do activities all together because last year my advisory was not told about things and we had to ask other students or teachers some times because we didn't know what we were doing*

- ◆ *another thing is that people need to accept the fact that people are different not everyone's the same not everyone is good at something that other people are. some people may act different doesn't mean you treat them different and doesn't mean the get to hurt or bully you either or anything wording can hurt mentally or could end up in a fight physically witch is not okay and people don't seem to get that and its happened continus times one time I didn't want to go to school one day because I was scared that someone was gonna hurt me or tell me something I don't want to hear if you don't have something nice to say don't say it words can hurt*
- ◆ *i feel that teachers should ask students if there okay more often because a lot of kids get made fun of or get told that they can't do this or that so having teachers not ask if they are okay because then drama or the person who needs help may not know what to do and then people will share this thought and then other opinions my spread and there comes drama*
- ◆ *Make there be more buses so middle high and elementary students of that town can ride together. Also make elementary middle and high schoolers get on the bus and off the bus at the same time.*
- ◆ *The school should focus on classes that will help us in the real world like investments, job choices, languages, college selection, music, and how to do our taxes. pay for things, mortgage a house, etc. you know THINGS I ACTUALLY NEED TO LEARN.*
- ◆ *I think it could be improved by having a club where you can learn different languages.*
- ◆ *more fun weeks.*
- ◆ *I would enjoy more time for lunch so I don't have to stuff food in my face and I would also like a sort of homeroom every day of the week instead of intervention so I can get work done If I am too busy at home because believe it or not we actually have lives outside of school. (:*
- ◆ *have better learning program*
- ◆ *seconds at lunch*
- ◆ *If more attention was paid to bullying*
- ◆ *Actually make improvements to GBS*
- ◆ *HAVE A BIGGER SCHOOL*
- ◆ *give us hot water for washing our hands, make sure the water is filtered so we can actually refill our water bottles, redo the nasty carpet, let us do handprints on the walls again.*
- ◆ *Less chromebook use. More choice on project format*
- ◆ *Clean GBS.*
- ◆ *the food*
- ◆ *let us have lockers and let the eighth grade have more time between classes*
- ◆ *get better*
- ◆ *Telling teachers to be better.*
- ◆ *less people on the bus*
- ◆ *Better food or even cheaper food*
- ◆ *Unpaint the walls the murals there were pretty*
- ◆ *Redo the bathrooms*
- ◆ *more diversity and classes available and shorter bus rides. I hate being on the bus for an hour its ridiculous*
- ◆ *all schools should have appropriate funds and supplies for how big they are.*
- ◆ *some better locker rooms*
- ◆ *New ceiling*
- ◆ *later start time!!! language classes.*

- ◆ *I think the school should be more considerate about chronic diseases.*
- ◆ *Waking up at 7 AM would be nice.*
- ◆ *add some more structures outside to hang out on*
- ◆ *Make school start later*
- ◆ *I wish that the children that have extreme anxiety could have something that told teacher to please ignore them*
- ◆ *Maybe better food in the elementary school.*
- ◆ *lockers*
- ◆ *You could have a bird club...*
- ◆ *Teachers who don't take time for recess from the whole class and just the naughty kids, also longer recess*
- ◆ *more freedom and sports for 5th graders*
- ◆ *If they can have better food for hot lunch for little kids.*
- ◆ *Have a Vegetarian choice for lunch that isn't sunbutter*
- ◆ *I want to climb the rock wall in pe*
- ◆ *school sports,*
- ◆ *playground!!*
- ◆ *let us climb the rock wall*
- ◆ *I think that the Middle school should have more roller skating nights with only 6th 7th and 8th and more dances and for Elementary I think there should be more roller skating nights.*
- ◆ *In middle school maybe more roller skating nights*
- ◆ *Bring down the price of the ice creams and if a kid doesn't have money in their account don't let them get it and lunch for everyone should be free.*
- ◆ *kids should be able to visit old elementary schools*
- ◆ *Clean the boys room and carpet*
- ◆ *I really hope that our principals at [redacted] will try to improve listening to all students before jumping to conclusions, because if a student is having a hard day the last thing we need is a trusted adult to blame or accuse students of doing stuff.*
- ◆ *make recess longer by 10 min*
- ◆ *clean bathrooms frequently- not always cleanest. phones allowed at recess or free choice days.*
- ◆ *I think that the teachers at both the elementary and middle school could be more understanding about problems that happen between students or adults.*
- ◆ *we need more art classes*
- ◆ *My elementary school could add a sport or activity for at least an hour after school.*
- ◆ *more outside activities for recess*
- ◆ *I think elementary school should have more food*
- ◆ *In the middle school we need a swing set. We also need more time to go to the library.*
- ◆ *They should add a playground to the middle school*
- ◆ *If we had nap time*
- ◆ *Make school start later.*
- ◆ *The elementary school should start first. The middle school should start 45 minutes after that. The High school should start 10 minutes after the middle school.*

Results by Middle School

	% Strongly Agree + % Agree + % Slightly Agree	
	Great Brook	South Meadow
I had a great experience in my elementary school.	83%	91%
I had at least two really good friends in elementary school.	95%	93%
I am still really good friends with my friends from elementary school.	92%	90%
From what I have seen, I was better prepared for middle school than most of the students from other elementary schools.	81%	77%
What middle school do you attend?	29%	71%
My current best friends went to different elementary schools than the one I did.	65%	60%
During free time at school (like lunch), I have friends I like to be with.	100%	96%
I feel happy at this school.	85%	84%
I feel welcome and accepted at this school.	95%	81%
My current classes are interesting.	80%	83%
This school can be described as a good place to learn.	83%	89%
There is at least one adult at this school to whom I can go when I have a problem.	85%	78%
I think this middle school is better than the other ConVal middle school.	85%	85%
The school library meets my needs for books and other resources.	88%	84%
I think it would be great if there were more students at this school.	46%	43%
I would like middle school better if there were fewer students in my classes.	48%	49%
There are not enough electives in arts (music, art, theater) at this school.	33%	52%
I would like more options for science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) courses.	64%	69%
I think middle school students should be able to learn a world language such as Spanish or French.	83%	85%
There are plenty of clubs at this school.	90%	80%
There are plenty of sports options at this school.	80%	84%
The middle school lunches are much better than the elementary school lunches were.	74%	81%
I eat the middle school lunch on most days.	54%	54%
This year, all my classes have enough space for them.	82%	90%
This year, all my classes have all the equipment we need.	78%	91%

Great Brook School Responses

n = 40

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Slightly Agree	Slightly Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I had a great experience in my elementary school.	31%	33%	19%	11%	0%	6%
I had at least two really good friends in elementary school.	81%	5%	8%	3%	3%	0%
I am still really good friends with my friends from elementary school.	62%	24%	5%	0%	3%	5%
From what I have seen, I was better prepared for middle school than most of the students from other elementary schools.	14%	38%	30%	11%	0%	8%
My current best friends went to different elementary schools than the one I did.	18%	33%	15%	13%	15%	8%
During free time at school (like lunch), I have friends I like to be with.	73%	25%	3%	0%	0%	0%
I feel happy at this school.	38%	23%	25%	10%	3%	3%
I feel welcome and accepted at this school.	43%	35%	18%	3%	3%	0%
My current classes are interesting.	20%	30%	30%	18%	3%	0%
This school can be described as a good place to learn.	33%	28%	23%	13%	3%	3%
There is at least one adult at this school to whom I can go when I have a problem.	55%	13%	18%	5%	5%	5%
I think this middle school is better than the other ConVal middle school.	48%	18%	20%	8%	3%	5%
The school library meets my needs for books and other resources.	33%	35%	20%	10%	3%	0%
I think it would be great if there were more students at this school.	13%	13%	21%	18%	26%	10%
I would like middle school better if there were fewer students in my classes.	15%	8%	25%	15%	18%	20%
There are not enough electives in arts (music, art, theater) at this school.	5%	8%	21%	23%	33%	10%
I would like more options for science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) courses.	18%	15%	31%	18%	10%	8%
I think middle school students should be able to learn a world language such as Spanish or French.	48%	15%	20%	5%	5%	8%
There are plenty of clubs at this school.	38%	38%	13%	8%	3%	0%
There are plenty of sports options at this school.	30%	38%	13%	13%	3%	5%
The middle school lunches are much better than the elementary school lunches were.	33%	15%	26%	8%	13%	5%
I eat the middle school lunch on most days.	23%	15%	15%	5%	18%	23%
This year, all my classes have enough space for them.	13%	36%	33%	8%	5%	5%
This year, all my classes have all the equipment we need.	13%	43%	23%	13%	5%	5%

South Meadow School Responses n = 97	Strongly Agree	Agree	Slightly Agree	Slightly Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I had a great experience in my elementary school.	48%	34%	9%	8%	0%	1%
I had at least two really good friends in elementary school.	69%	13%	11%	1%	1%	5%
I am still really good friends with my friends from elementary school.	53%	26%	11%	4%	1%	4%
From what I have seen, I was better prepared for middle school than most of the students from other elementary schools.	15%	27%	35%	11%	9%	2%
My current best friends went to different elementary schools than the one I did.	26%	12%	22%	10%	14%	15%
During free time at school (like lunch), I have friends I like to be with.	68%	25%	3%	2%	0%	2%
I feel happy at this school.	28%	34%	22%	11%	4%	1%
I feel welcome and accepted at this school.	26%	42%	13%	7%	4%	7%
My current classes are interesting.	19%	34%	30%	9%	4%	3%
This school can be described as a good place to learn.	30%	43%	16%	7%	3%	1%
There is at least one adult at this school to whom I can go when I have a problem.	37%	30%	11%	7%	11%	3%
I think this middle school is better than the other ConVal middle school.	37%	27%	21%	8%	3%	4%
The school library meets my needs for books and other resources.	28%	36%	20%	9%	3%	4%
I think it would be great if there were more students at this school.	13%	9%	21%	15%	20%	23%
I would like middle school better if there were fewer students in my classes.	13%	12%	24%	20%	19%	12%
There are not enough electives in arts (music, art, theater) at this school.	19%	13%	20%	19%	20%	10%
I would like more options for science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) courses.	28%	19%	22%	15%	11%	5%
I think middle school students should be able to learn a world language such as Spanish or French.	48%	21%	15%	3%	5%	7%
There are plenty of clubs at this school.	27%	32%	22%	8%	6%	5%
There are plenty of sports options at this school.	38%	34%	13%	10%	5%	0%
The middle school lunches are much better than the elementary school lunches were.	32%	21%	28%	2%	4%	13%
I eat the middle school lunch on most days.	23%	19%	12%	7%	20%	20%
This year, all my classes have enough space for them.	23%	50%	17%	8%	1%	1%
This year, all my classes have all the equipment we need.	23%	49%	19%	7%	0%	2%

28. Most days in elementary school, I:

	Great Brook	South Meadow
Ate the school lunch	43%	47%
Brought lunch from home	58%	50%
Didn't eat lunch	0%	3%

31. Most days, I get to school:

	Great Brook	South Meadow
On the school bus	45%	67%
In a personal car	45%	28%
By walking	8%	2%
Other	3%	3%

35. Do you think it would be okay for elementary school students to ride on the bus with middle or high school students?

	Great Brook	South Meadow
Yes	13%	21%
No	55%	63%
Unsure	33%	16%

36. This school is clean:

	Great Brook	South Meadow
Most of the time	28%	58%
Some of the Time	55%	30%
Not Usually	5%	10%
Almost never	13%	2%

39. In what grade are you currently?

	Great Brook	South Meadow
5 th	15%	27%
6 th	33%	19%
7 th	20%	25%
8 th	33%	29%

40. What is your gender?

	Great Brook	South Meadow
Male	50%	36%
Female	40%	53%
Prefer Not to Answer	0%	7%
Other	10%	4%

High School Survey Results

1. In what grade are you currently? (n=59)

9 th	27%
10 th	31%
11 th	29%
12 th	14%

2. What elementary school did you attend? (n=60)

Antrim ES	13%
Dublin ES	7%
Francestown ES	7%
Greenfield ES	12%
Hancock ES	8%
Peterborough ES	17%
Pierce ES	7%
Temple ES	7%
Other (Did not attend a ConVal ES)	23%

3. I had a great experience in my elementary school. (n=46)

Strongly Agree	24%
Agree	41%
Slightly Agree	22%
Slightly Disagree	9%
Disagree	4%
Strongly Disagree	0%

4. I had at least two really good friends in elementary school. (n=46)

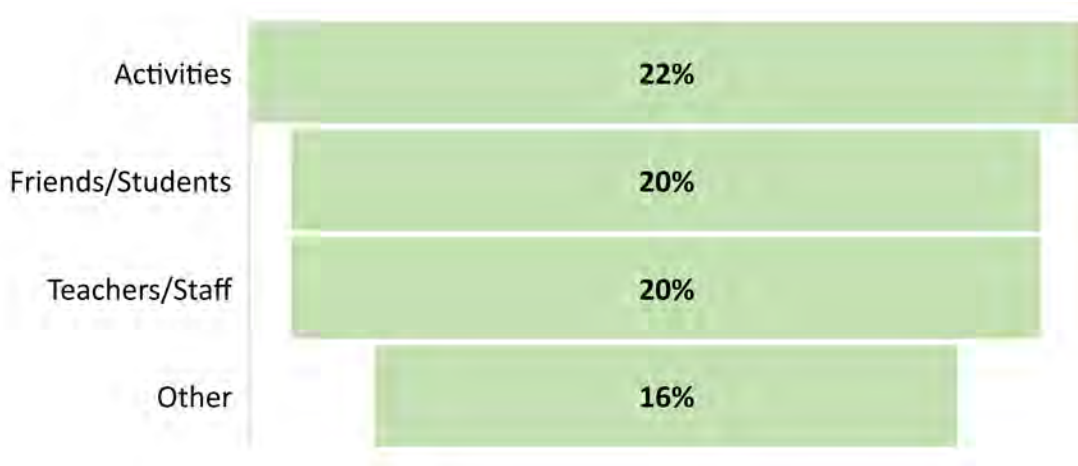
Strongly Agree	22%
Agree	26%
Slightly Agree	28%
Slightly Disagree	13%
Disagree	7%
Strongly Disagree	4%

5. I am still really good friends with my friends from elementary school. (n=130)

Strongly Agree	9%
Agree	26%
Slightly Agree	33%
Slightly Disagree	15%
Disagree	9%
Strongly Disagree	9%

6. The best thing about going to my elementary school was: (n=45)

The best thing about going to my elementary school was:

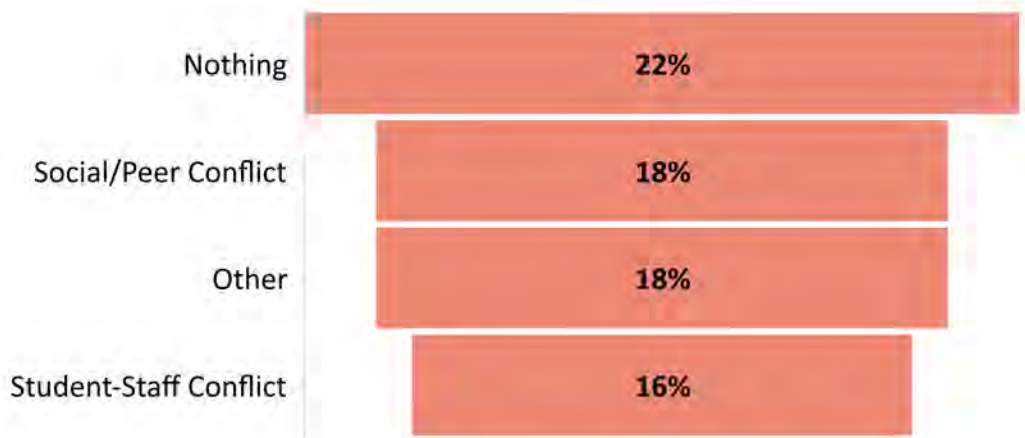


- ◆ *My old Kindergarten teacher.*
- ◆ *Nap time or going home early in kindergarten.*
- ◆ *Having morning recesses*
- ◆ *The field trips we went on.*
- ◆ *How much I learned, the teachers, my friends, and recess. I really enjoyed everything about elementary school and I woke up wanting to go to school everyday.*
- ◆ *The size of the classes and the friends I made*
- ◆ *Having the thanksgiving dinners*
- ◆ *Small classes, nap time, recess*
- ◆ *Having the teachers trust us to explore the woods and have fun in nature.*
- ◆ *Reading in the open spaced area after lunch.*
- ◆ *My friends*
- ◆ *That I got a good education in learning about math/other things.*
- ◆ *I enjoyed all of the time we spent outside doing hands on activities. I also really remember specifically all of the field trips we took, and going to the Harris Center all the time.*
- ◆ *The games on the computers and the wifi.*
- ◆ *Recess*
- ◆ *All of the extra recess that we got and how much fun the assignments were.*
- ◆ *The fun and engaging activities that the teachers offered plus recess and lunch were some of the best times that I have had and they are hard to match.*
- ◆ *Recess*
- ◆ *It was very small which made teachers more personal. But I'm also a senior so there are no longer any teachers there that I had.*
- ◆ *the classes*
- ◆ *Getting to have some friends.*
- ◆ *the recess time*
- ◆ *The freedom and lack of work and responsibility.*

- ◆ *My teachers were good and we had a lot of creative projects that were super fun. I think art is good for little kids so having that creative freedom was nice.*
- ◆ *The sense of community we had.*
- ◆ *They were very inclusive, caring and fun in the material we learned.*
- ◆ *The kinda small classes, you knew who your people were*
- ◆ *I have very little memory of good things at my elementary school.*
- ◆ *I really liked the teachers, everyone was so nice, and I liked all the little activities we did! I remember doing 'field day' but it wasn't called that, but I just remember doing so many fun things.*
- ◆ *Some of the friends I made.*
- ◆ *The activities*
- ◆ *The teachers and projects.*
- ◆ *the people*
- ◆ *They let us play in the woods and build forts it was amazing.*
- ◆ *Friends*
- ◆ *the people*
- ◆ *I still know everyone that went there*
- ◆ *Class was structured in a way that students were able to learn according to their needs, whether that means learning below, at, or above that grade level expectations.*
- ◆ *the connection*
- ◆ *no make up work*
- ◆ *Hancock was laid back*
- ◆ *Recess time.*
- ◆ *being with friends*

7. The worst thing about going to my elementary school was: (n=45)

The worst thing about going to my elementary school was:

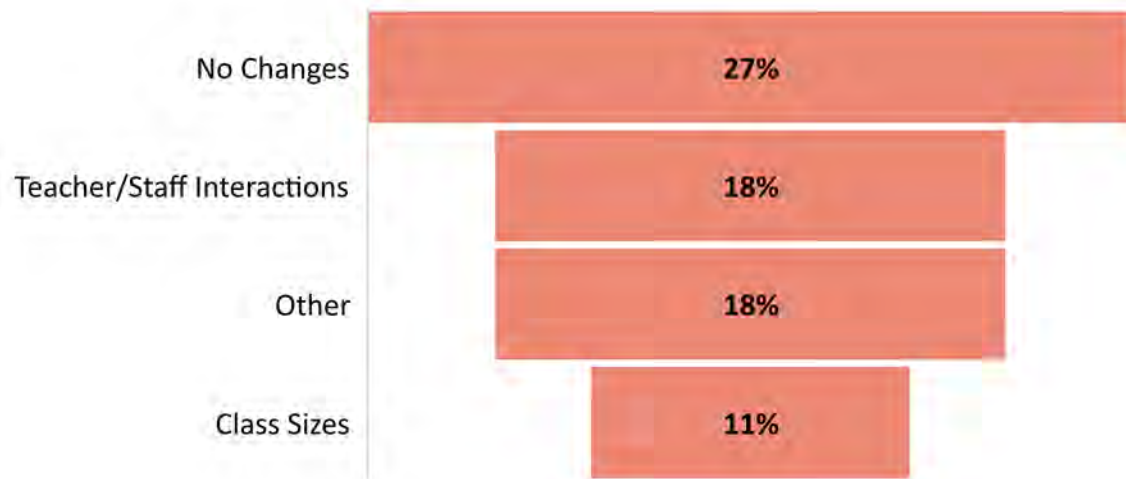


- ◆ *that on kindergarten class got nap time but we didn't*
- ◆ *I wasn't very good at math.*
- ◆ *No nap time after kindergarten*

- ◆ *Some of the teachers.*
- ◆ *I wish recess was longer, but half an hour is better than nothing. Also since classes stayed the same all year, if you didn't have friends in your class, that year was significantly less enjoyable.*
- ◆ *The specials*
- ◆ *How other kids didn't like me*
- ◆ *I had a really hard time there socially and this continued into middle school and I think it drastically affected my grades and future relationships with the people I still now go to school with today.*
- ◆ *health*
- ◆ *I was unpopular so I didn't get to have the best experience.*
- ◆ *I hated that we were only allowed to go into the woods for 1 of the four years that I attended that school.*
- ◆ *When we didn't have nap time anymore*
- ◆ *My second grade teacher*
- ◆ *the students*
- ◆ *The cafeteria food*
- ◆ *I was stuck with the same 6-10 kids for 4 years due to Hancock being a very tiny school. We all got a little tired of each other by the end of 4th grade.*
- ◆ *The small number of people.*
- ◆ *the small classes, made it hard to branch out*
- ◆ *negative impacts from peers and bullying.*
- ◆ *[redacted] I knew no multiplication, and they'd all learned it last year. I moved here that year. I knew no multiplication. They did nothing to bring me up to speed. I still struggle with math to this day.*
- ◆ *The lack of emotional help? So many kids would flip out and ruin things for others and the lack of attention to mental things*
- ◆ *Me (I wasn't the easiest kid to work with)*
- ◆ *When I got to 4th grade they expected me to act as a role model (stop acting like the literal child that I was) and it robbed me of any fun because everything reflected badly.*
- ◆ *Most of the people in my grade were very mean and not good friends.*
- ◆ *the teachers*
- ◆ *That there was only 40 kids but it was also nice because you knew everybody*
- ◆ *there were teachers that were much better than others*
- ◆ *the teachers*
- ◆ *There was very strict separation of grade levels and classes, making it difficult to converse with many people whom I had wanted to.*
- ◆ *small school*
- ◆ *being little*
- ◆ *The teachers*
- ◆ *Drama*
- ◆ *how small it was*

8. What is one thing you would change about your elementary school experience? (n=45)

What is one thing you would change about your elementary school experience?



- ◆ *Add nap time to all grade levels*
- ◆ *I would have liked to have more people in our school.*
- ◆ *I would like to see the school give the students a short Google Form at the end of a school year to ask them who they would prefer to be with in the coming year.*
- ◆ *Get a dedicated art and music room*
- ◆ *Change my appearance*
- ◆ *I can't really remember much that I would change besides the fact that I didn't like all the specials and the way that we went to different ones everyday and I wish I could have more time in certain classes and subjects.*
- ◆ *More minecraft*
- ◆ *Try Harder*
- ◆ *Being more popular.*
- ◆ *I would hire nicer employees, most of the employees where incredibly nice but there were a few that made going to school rather unenjoyable.*
- ◆ *More nap time*
- ◆ *paying attention more in class*
- ◆ *The interactions from some of the teachers.*
- ◆ *Better facilities*
- ◆ *More activities/field trips.*
- ◆ *I changed school from HES to AES in 4th grade and my teacher was SO BAD. She was awful and the whole class learned nothing. So I wish I had the other teacher.*
- ◆ *I wish there were more people that went to my elementary school.*
- ◆ *make the classes slightly larger*
- ◆ *being more involved.*
- ◆ *Maybe them actually helping with my transition to the school.*
- ◆ *Not have undiagnosed anxiety the whole time.*
- ◆ *I hated being treated like a toddler and expected to act like an adult.*

- ◆ *the teachers paying more attention*
- ◆ *the teachers observing more things*
- ◆ *I would update the facilities more*
- ◆ *not being in a combined class*
- ◆ *Who I made friends with (mostly)*
- ◆ *What teacher were there*
- ◆ *having a bigger class*

9. From what I have seen, I was better prepared for high school than most of the students from other elementary schools. (n=46)

Strongly Agree	7%
Agree	20%
Slightly Agree	43%
Slightly Disagree	15%
Disagree	11%
Strongly Disagree	4%

10. What middle school did you attend? (n=60)

Great Brook	38%
South Meadow	50%
Dublin (5 th grade)	2%
Other (Did not attend a ConVal MS)	10%

11. The best thing about going to my middle school was: (n=53)

- ◆ *[redacted] She is always there for kids.*
- ◆ *[redacted] classes.*
- ◆ *Recesses*
- ◆ *The clubs were really good.*
- ◆ *I really liked the sports and EHP.*
- ◆ *How I made new friends from other elementary schools I didn't know before*
- ◆ *Recess*
- ◆ *Some good teachers*
- ◆ *Athletic facilities*
- ◆ *my friend group*
- ◆ *[redacted] and how she helped me get better at math and how we had a really strong connection in 8th grade.*
- ◆ *Math classes*
- ◆ *Many extracurricular activities and a good learning curve/environment.*
- ◆ *I loved that we were able to travel independently to each class and I had different people in every class and each class block.*
- ◆ *Not much kind of sucked because no video games or wifi*
- ◆ *The Teachers*

- ◆ *How nice the teachers were. I loved the teachers. They made my middle school life as fun as possible. I also like recess and hanging out with friends. I became more popular in middle school.*
- ◆ *The community.*
- ◆ *I enjoyed the prep for high school that the school offered and helped enforce to make this year seem not that bad.*
- ◆ *meeting new people*
- ◆ *All of the clubs and advanced classes.*
- ◆ *having a group of people*
- ◆ *All of the kind teachers that understood me.*
- ◆ *The clubs and EHP*
- ◆ *Making friends*
- ◆ *It being the main middle school in the area*
- ◆ *I loved it. It was so fun and I had a really good friend group and I liked all my teachers. Also the ELP program was amazing.*
- ◆ *the influence from teachers about the fun in learning.*
- ◆ *my friends/class*
- ◆ *The amazing people.*
- ◆ *I remember very little good things that happened.*
- ◆ *The sports and clubs. I love playing sports and when I did ski club it was lots of fun.*
- ◆ *Variance in classes allowed for an understanding of a broad range of subjects.*
- ◆ *The teachers.*
- ◆ *Moving from class to class and the assemblies.*
- ◆ *The people, the teachers, opportunities.*
- ◆ *the teachers were really good*
- ◆ *the people*
- ◆ *Friends*
- ◆ *The people*
- ◆ *the sports and clubs*
- ◆ *the people*
- ◆ *people*
- ◆ *clubs*
- ◆ *Making new friends and playing sports*
- ◆ *many opportunities for interesting classes and clubs*
- ◆ *friends*
- ◆ *connecting with my best friends again*
- ◆ *Lunch*
- ◆ *Good teachers, no bathroom passes*

12. The worst thing about going to my middle school was: (n=53)

- ◆ *Recess*
- ◆ *Covid.*
- ◆ *Everything besides recesses*
- ◆ *Some of the sports didn't get much love.*

- ◆ *SMS went through a period of unrest after Covid, and the schedule was constantly changing. It was really annoying trying to get used to the rapid changes. Also, I wish the ski club had come back, that was really fun, and loved by many students.*
- ◆ *The lack of sports coaches, smaller class sizes, condition of school (bad smell, constant pipe issues, etc.)*
- ◆ *Turkey trot*
- ◆ *8th grade teacher*
- ◆ *Cafeteria food*
- ◆ *my friend group*
- ◆ *Getting picked on just a few times and how I hate my acne all of the time now even though it's normal.*
- ◆ *Drama and some of the rules*
- ◆ *Covid-19 shut it down totally for the end of 6th grade.*
- ◆ *I really didn't like how we spent 3 months on Edgar Allen Poe and like 2 months on white tailed deer, it got so old so fast.*
- ◆ *A lot mostly no video games like elementary school and no wifi*
- ◆ *The Work*
- ◆ *Limited lunch options*
- ◆ *It's unorganized sometimes.*
- ◆ *One of the teachers last year made going to his class horrible and not enjoyable. That same teacher sent me to the corner for talking plus he voted a student out of the class and into the hall.*
- ◆ *having to leave*
- ◆ *middle school boys*
- ◆ *PE, Health, Math, and Social Studies*
- ◆ *The schedule*
- ◆ *Covid*
- ◆ *The quality of the interior of the school was bad/boring*
- ◆ *Middle school was really easy.*
- ◆ *bullying, negative peer influence.*
- ◆ *the lack of funds, activities, and overall cleanliness*
- ◆ *The sheer trauma that I endured. I'm still in therapy to this day. I was an undiagnosed autistic child and I was being manipulated by the people around me. The guidance counselors did nothing.*
- ◆ *Again, the small number of people.*
- ◆ *In 8th grade (when we had pods because of covid), we had to eat outside in the middle of winter on milk crates. It was very close to being below 32 degrees.*
- ◆ *Social drama.*
- ◆ *Criticism of administration by students would rarely be taken seriously.*
- ◆ *Certain teachers were really mean for no apparent reason.*
- ◆ *Covid*
- ◆ *not having classes with any of my friends*
- ◆ *having COVID during it*
- ◆ *bullying*
- ◆ *covid*
- ◆ *stress*

- ◆ *nothing*
- ◆ *bullying*
- ◆ *The food*
- ◆ *The drama*
- ◆ *people*
- ◆ *online learning*
- ◆ *no freedom*
- ◆ *home work*
- ◆ *everything.*
- ◆ *Being in middle school*
- ◆ *Pods during covid*

13. From what I have seen, I was better prepared for high school than most of the students from the other middle school. (n=54)

Strongly Agree	4%
Agree	22%
Slightly Agree	41%
Slightly Disagree	17%
Disagree	15%
Strongly Disagree	2%

14. Some of my current best friends went to the other ConVal middle school. (n=57)

Strongly Agree	12%
Agree	37%
Slightly Agree	23%
Slightly Disagree	11%
Disagree	12%
Strongly Disagree	5%

15. During free time at school (like lunch), I have friends I like to be with. (n=56)

Strongly Agree	36%
Agree	45%
Slightly Agree	11%
Slightly Disagree	4%
Disagree	4%
Strongly Disagree	2%

16. I feel happy at this school. (n=57)

Strongly Agree	9%
Agree	39%
Slightly Agree	33%
Slightly Disagree	9%
Disagree	7%
Strongly Disagree	4%

17. I feel welcome and accepted at this school. (n=57)

Strongly Agree	16%
Agree	46%
Slightly Agree	30%
Slightly Disagree	4%
Disagree	5%
Strongly Disagree	0%

18. My current classes are interesting. (n=56)

Strongly Agree	18%
Agree	39%
Slightly Agree	34%
Slightly Disagree	5%
Disagree	2%
Strongly Disagree	2%

19. This school can be described as a good place to learn. (n=56)

Strongly Agree	11%
Agree	45%
Slightly Agree	30%
Slightly Disagree	11%
Disagree	0%
Strongly Disagree	4%

20. There is at least one adult at this school to whom I can go when I have a problem. (n=57)

Strongly Agree	19%
Agree	51%
Slightly Agree	18%
Slightly Disagree	4%
Disagree	7%
Strongly Disagree	2%

21. There are plenty of clubs at this school. (n=57)

Strongly Agree	26%
Agree	49%
Slightly Agree	14%
Slightly Disagree	5%
Disagree	5%
Strongly Disagree	0%

22. There are plenty of sports options at this school. (n=57)

Strongly Agree	33%
Agree	60%
Slightly Agree	5%
Slightly Disagree	2%
Disagree	0%
Strongly Disagree	0%

23. This school would be better if: (n=54)

- ◆ *we didn't have to make a pass to go to the bathroom, but I understand it helps*
- ◆ *There were more windows.*
- ◆ *The classes tried to be interesting*
- ◆ *the football team trained more in the weightroom and put on some muscle that way they could actually block*
- ◆ *We had more time in between classes.*
- ◆ *I would like it if ConVal had a longer lunch block, because 25 minutes really isn't that long, especially if you have to wait in line for school made lunch. Due to the fact that there is not recess, I feel that lunch could at least be 35 minutes.*
- ◆ *There was more single bathrooms/more safety in bathrooms*
- ◆ *Better community like bathrooms and hall ways*
- ◆ *Controlled the smoking in the bathrooms*
- ◆ *We had an ultimate frisbee team, better school lunch, more realistic graduation requirements, a more competent counseling department, less staff turnover (higher pay and better support for teachers), less cold administrations, more trust for students (don't assume bad intentions every time), better enforcement and support for students with substance abuse problems, courses didn't overlap forcing students to choose between two classes (AP CalPhys & AP Bio), there were more and nicer single stall bathrooms, TASC wasn't so strict, admin stopped acting like kids actually do work during Tasc, There were senior privileges (parking, off campus, etc)*
- ◆ *we focused more on all of the plastic use*
- ◆ *People wouldn't be starting so much unnecessary drama in bathrooms or in the cafeteria for childish reasons.*
- ◆ *If we had more teachers, I got kicked out of Engineering 1 because a teacher quit. Maybe a few rules in a contract that if they agree to work they must work at least 1 semester.*
- ◆ *We had more blocks, I understand the issue with staffing but I feel like an hour and 30 ish minutes for every class is too much. I would love more opportunities to take more classes when most other schools get 16 opportunities every year for classes and I only get 8, but there are also classes that I wish I could take here that aren't even offered at all.*
- ◆ *had video games and wifi but mostly wifi*
- ◆ *There was a chess club*
- ◆ *we scheduled for tasc at the beginning of first block.*
- ◆ *More things were open to freshmen like clubs and school president and other things along those lines.*
- ◆ *This school would be better if there was a science club or some sort of club for students with auditory problems.*

- ◆ *it was more inclusive*
- ◆ *it was cleaner*
- ◆ *The lunch portions were larger.*
- ◆ *The band, theater and choir got more funding, support and attention. The sports program is the favorite child.*
- ◆ *it was a little less strict*
- ◆ *We had a turf field.*
- ◆ *Teachers were more accepting of the fact there are accommodations in place (504) and would actually follow them*
- ◆ *Focus was shifted from course rigor to understanding of material, and grading systems were reformed to incentivize students to achieve mastery levels specific to each course as opposed to the current system where grades*
- ◆ *the stairwells and or classrooms were a little bigger*
- ◆ *The bathroom issues were fixed.*
- ◆ *more out of school trips*
- ◆ *Not everything that was supposed to be fun was a popularity contest.*
- ◆ *They didn't try to mold us into the "ideal" high school graduate, instead let us figure out who we are as people.*
- ◆ *The staff could use some changes, I think there should be student input about how good teachers are.*
- ◆ *A full time Therapy dog and better lunches.*
- ◆ *there were more class options*
- ◆ *the teachers put bullying as their priority*
- ◆ *We had more teachers for things like Physics and Engineering.*
- ◆ *if teachers taught better*
- ◆ *we had an ultimate frisbee team*
- ◆ *pizza was not stale*
- ◆ *It had more languages and we interacted more*
- ◆ *they gave the arts better funding*
- ◆ *there weren't 3 bathroom passes*
- ◆ *more time in between classes*
- ◆ *it was better*
- ◆ *There was more options for people with mental issues during lunch and in general. (but especially lunch)*
- ◆ *Students were made to feel more safe about their mental health.*
- ◆ *I had more time to be with friends.*
- ◆ *We had better lunch options or a chance to go out of school during lunch or tasc*

24. The best thing about this school is: (n=55)

- ◆ *Most of the teachers.*
- ◆ *The parking lot and the array of options of clubs and classes for students.*
- ◆ *Lunch*
- ◆ *The range of clubs and classes.*
- ◆ *Currently, my favorite thing about ConVal is the soccer team. I really enjoy the soccer community, and playing as often as we do.*
- ◆ *The sense of community and how the classes are mixed together with all grades*

- ◆ *Not having more free time only having lunch to talk to your friends and outside of school time*
- ◆ *Teachers are nice most of the time*
- ◆ *The librarians*
- ◆ *the welcoming community*
- ◆ *[redacted] She's such a kind person. I know I can talk to her about anything, she's there for me, so smart, curious, caring, respectful of others opinions, and so so much more. [redacted], a very kind, noble, sweet, caring, and pushy for others to do their best. And lastly, [redacted], she's so kind, sweet, so caring, knowing what to say, and so much more. I'm so glad I've met these people in my life, and I know a lot of people say that about others, but I'm seriously so grateful and happy that I've met them because they've helped me guide through my life even if they might not think they did even if they just said sentence.*
- ◆ *You can use your phone*
- ◆ *There are many things that I can freely do and many things that I can do with a group.*
- ◆ *The flexibility. Sometimes I appreciate how lenient ConVal has been when it comes to things like phone policy, independent work, allowing breaks and time to get a sufficient amount of work in. But at the same time things like the dress code, could be enforced a little bit better.*
- ◆ *Probably not the lacking amount of wifi*
- ◆ *Shorter classes*
- ◆ *All of the clubs that they have and the sports*
- ◆ *Ceramics*
- ◆ *That Freshmen can take Algebra 2 and other classes that are typically seen in higher grades. As well as that Freshmen can also take Honors classes and that's pretty nice.*
- ◆ *the people*
- ◆ *The counselors are very kind and so are the librarians.*
- ◆ *the extracurriculars*
- ◆ *the opportunities and some classes*
- ◆ *Most of the teachers want to help you as a student and are committed to teaching you.*
- ◆ *All of the opportunities and programs and clubs you can take.*
- ◆ *the opportunities*
- ◆ *The school spirit.*
- ◆ *The guidance department.*
- ◆ *Students have a high degree in choice in which courses they decide to take.*
- ◆ *the community*
- ◆ *The sports and the support we have for the sports.*
- ◆ *The people I spend my days with.*
- ◆ *we get out at 2:20*
- ◆ *lots of options of stuff*
- ◆ *There are some teachers that genuinely care about how well students do in their class.*
- ◆ *The high level classes*
- ◆ *The art classes, German, my friends.*
- ◆ *sports*
- ◆ *How nice all the teachers and staff are and how easy it is to talk to them.*
- ◆ *friends*
- ◆ *the people*
- ◆ *better food*

- ◆ *the lunch ladies are fire*
- ◆ *the choir and theater programs*
- ◆ *The learning opportunities*
- ◆ *some teachers and classes*
- ◆ *friends*
- ◆ *The freedom in our schedules and being able to pick electives.*
- ◆ *Most students and teachers are pretty nice.*
- ◆ *sports*
- ◆ *How welcoming people are to me as a new student.*

25. There are not enough electives in arts (music, art, theater) at this school. (n=24)

Strongly Agree	8%
Agree	8%
Slightly Agree	29%
Slightly Disagree	17%
Disagree	25%
Strongly Disagree	13%

26. I would like more options for science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) courses. (n=24)

Strongly Agree	13%
Agree	17%
Slightly Agree	29%
Slightly Disagree	17%
Disagree	25%
Strongly Disagree	0%

27. I would like more course options in this subject area: (n=24)

- ◆ *Music.*
- ◆ *Trades/construction*
- ◆ *welding and trades*
- ◆ *Art and English electives for seniors where freshman should not be in that class*
- ◆ *Psychology*
- ◆ *All. Some of the classes I was really looking forward to take were: Forensics, or some sort of criminal justice/criminology class besides business and personal law or, more space and science classes, like astronomy or maybe an Earth and Space 2 class, more leveled classes, like something adding onto World religions, Philosophy and psychology that I could pursue more, and an Ethics class would be nice as well.*
- ◆ *ENGINEERING please hire some one I beg you please (#bringbackFabs)*
- ◆ *Psychology(ap psych)*
- ◆ *Social studies or english related courses.*
- ◆ *Literature, English.*
- ◆ *Writing. Please. It's the only thing my brain can handle.*
- ◆ *Maybe social studies? I'm not sure.*

- ◆ Culinary stuff.
- ◆ AP physics, separate from AP Cal/phys
- ◆ Math, because after algebra p1 and p2 you still need 2 more credits and there are many ways to get those credits other than algebra 2, stats, and geometry
- ◆ Engineering
- ◆ ultimate frisbee
- ◆ more arts would be nice
- ◆ science and tech
- ◆ Psychology?
- ◆ Career tech

28. This school is doing a good job of academically preparing me for life after high school. (n=24)

Strongly Agree	0%
Agree	38%
Slightly Agree	46%
Slightly Disagree	13%
Disagree	4%
Strongly Disagree	0%

29. Most days in middle school, I: (n=57)

At the school lunch	30%
Brought lunch from home	56%
Didn't eat lunch	14%

30. The high school lunches are much better than the elementary school lunches were. (n=57)

Strongly Agree	18%
Agree	26%
Slightly Agree	23%
Slightly Disagree	11%
Disagree	9%
Strongly Disagree	14%

31. I eat the high school lunch on most days. (n=57)

Strongly Agree	19%
Agree	14%
Slightly Agree	9%
Slightly Disagree	2%
Disagree	28%
Strongly Disagree	28%

32. Most days, I get to school: (n=57)

On the school bus	42%
In a personal car	56%
By walking	0%
Other	2%

33. Why don't you usually ride the bus? (n=33)

- ◆ *I have someone who comes to the school anyway so I ride with them*
- ◆ *it's just easier and quicker for me to get to school by driving.*
- ◆ *cuz I have license*
- ◆ *I live very close to the school, so it is much more convenient for one of my parents to drop me off, rather than me having to wake up much earlier to catch the bus.*
- ◆ *I get a ride from my sibling, on occasion I will ride the bus*
- ◆ *I drive in with my sister*
- ◆ *Have my license*
- ◆ *My former bus driver is objectively a terrible person who has only kept his job because of the driver shortage.*
- ◆ *I hate it so much, they are so crowded and loud and everyone is out of control completely. It takes so long to get home and doubling up on seats is so uncomfortable and unsanitary. I finally got my license and a car and hope to never ride a public school bus again*
- ◆ *I gotta car and the bus is trash*
- ◆ *bad experiences*
- ◆ *because my mom drives me*
- ◆ *The amount of kids*
- ◆ *Because my dad drives me on the way to work*
- ◆ *I have a license now but also I have to get up so early if I need to. The bus comes by at 6:10 so I have to get up even earlier.*
- ◆ *Most days my sister can drive me and the buses are SO CROWDED. So I avoid them when I can.*
- ◆ *I have a car.*
- ◆ *Because I have my license and drive myself to school. But when I took the bus not too long ago, my ride was really long, considering how close I live.*
- ◆ *I have my license plus the people on the bus are a nuisance and I could get home faster if I drive. Also I regularly stay after school for clubs and sports.*
- ◆ *I live too close to the school.*
- ◆ *cause its loud and annoying*
- ◆ *because I can walk*
- ◆ *The only times I don't are if I have something to go to or if it would be faster to not take one.*
- ◆ *Because my sister drives me to school and she has her license*
- ◆ *I have my drivers license and I live very close to ConVal*
- ◆ *because I dont live near bus*
- ◆ *I have a brother that can drive me and I just don't want to*
- ◆ *who would want to get up early to get on a big cold yellow car*
- ◆ *only for work and I live right near the school*
- ◆ *I got driven*

- ◆ *I have my license and a car. Also I live out of the ConVal school district.*
- ◆ *I drive myself*
- ◆ *don't want to*

34. On a normal day, how long is your bus ride? (n=24)

- ◆ *1 hour 10 mins*
- ◆ *Around 10 minutes*
- ◆ *10-15 minutes*
- ◆ *Maybe about 1 hour and 20 minutes*
- ◆ *20-30 mins*
- ◆ *30 minutes give or take 10*
- ◆ *1 hour*
- ◆ *35-45 min*
- ◆ *Probably like 30 minutes.*
- ◆ *15 minutes (3 responses)*
- ◆ *20 minutes (2 responses)*
- ◆ *15-20 minutes (2 responses)*
- ◆ *10 minutes. I'm the last person being picked up.*
- ◆ *A little over an hour.*
- ◆ *When I was on the bus it was 40 minutes.*
- ◆ *25 mins*
- ◆ *20 - 25 minutes long.*
- ◆ *A half hour*
- ◆ *40-60 minutes?*
- ◆ *5-10 minutes*

35. On a normal day, how long does it take to get to your bus stop? (n=24)

- ◆ *15 mins walking, 5 mins driving*
- ◆ *20 minutes*
- ◆ *2 minutes (5 responses)*
- ◆ *1 minute (3 responses)*
- ◆ *an hour*
- ◆ *50 Minutes*
- ◆ *1-2 min*
- ◆ *At the end of my driveway it took like a minute.*
- ◆ *10 seconds*
- ◆ *About an hour.*
- ◆ *35 minutes*
- ◆ *30 mins*
- ◆ *5 minutes (4 responses)*
- ◆ *2-4 minutes.*
- ◆ *2 seconds*

36. Do you think it would be okay for elementary school students to ride on the bus with middle or high school students? (n=57)

Yes	14%
No	63%
Unsure	23%

37. This school is clean. (n=57)

Most of the time	33%
Some of the time	47%
Usually	16%
Almost never	4%

38. This year, all my classes have enough space for them. (n=57)

Strongly Agree	9%
Agree	56%
Slightly Agree	23%
Slightly Disagree	7%
Disagree	4%
Strongly Disagree	2%

39. This year, all my classes have all the equipment we need. (n=56)

Strongly Agree	18%
Agree	59%
Slightly Agree	14%
Slightly Disagree	9%
Disagree	0%
Strongly Disagree	0%

40. Thinking about your entire school experience up to this point (including elementary and middle schools), overall, what grade would you give ConVal? (n=24)

A	21%
B	42%
C	33%
D	0%
F	4%

41. Why did you give ConVal that grade? (n=22)

- ◆ *It's ConVal*
- ◆ *can always be better*
- ◆ *People smoke everywhere and it's very dusty and I can't breath well in some rooms*
- ◆ *I feel like so many things could be better, teachers are so stressed and stretched so thin when it comes to resources for themselves and their students. Teachers are paid and go to school to teach but I constantly see teachers having to try to accommodate every student and their*

individual needs all while trying to teach and do the same to their other students. Teachers are not baby sitters and it is really frustrating to be in a dysfunctional classroom where a teacher cannot even get a word out because of behavioral issues and because they have to teach the same lesson 5 different times because they are forced to accommodate every students’ extremely particular learning plans, and putting them all in one classroom when we are all at different levels is holding back the potential of each student and it is making students and teachers lose confidence in their abilities to learn and teach.

- ◆ *It’s average not going to lie, definitely lacking in many places but it’s an ok place, most of the teachers are nice so that’s cool.*
- ◆ *It’s a fairly good school, but it could be more inclusive and cleaner*
- ◆ *Because there are definitely many great aspects of ConVal and opportunities, but there are many things that could be renewed, done better, and given more attention to.*
- ◆ *It’s better than the surrounding schools and they do try but it’s not a great district.*
- ◆ *C is average. ConVal is an average school.*
- ◆ *Because they seem to pretend that everything is perfect and that they have it all together. But like bro the slurs I hear. A WHITE freshmen girl said the n-word at like 7:30 in the morning and nothing happened.*
- ◆ *It’s a good school, I see no problems.*
- ◆ *I feel like the elementary and middle schools were better than the high school. But the high school is good, but I would still give it an overall A.*
- ◆ *The High School gets a B+ but the middle school gets C and elementary gets D*
- ◆ *Because I had a good overall experience, but middle school didn't transition well to high school*
- ◆ *There are some issues like staff numbers and stuff that are very hard to control, so still isn't an A but ConVal still does good with what we have here.*
- ◆ *ConVal is average and C is in the middle .*
- ◆ *because it’s a good school and I like it it’s just lacking in a few aspects*
- ◆ *it’s good but there are more things we could do that have not been done*
- ◆ *could be better*
- ◆ *They have a wide selection of classes and a lot of opportunities that other high schools nearby don't have.*
- ◆ *I'm a new student, so I don't know much about the school. But from what I've seen, everyone has been welcoming and classes are mostly good.*

42. What is your gender? (n=56)

Male	46%
Female	43%
Prefer not to answer	9%
Other	2%

43. We have asked these questions to help your old elementary school and current middle school improve. If you have any other ideas or thoughts about how they could be improved, please tell us here. (n=30)

- ◆ *fire the middle school football coaches*
- ◆ *Personally think that if the Elementary schools were combined, it would be alright, and not much would be lost. However, combining SMS and GBS seems like a poor choice. To begin with, going from an Elementary school with fewer than 300 students, to a middle school with over 600 would be a huge transition. In addition, PES could probably handle more students without much difficulty, but neither SMS nor GBS could sustain that many students without making class sizes unmanageably large. Separately, I think that it would be cool if PES or other elementary schools had more sport opportunities. When I went to PES there was a rec soccer league, but I have no idea if they are still running it. Also, other than soccer and basketball, students didn't really have any other options.*
- ◆ *Senior Parking spots*
- ◆ *Please bring back Fabs, also I dont really care about the elementary or middle schools personally I think we shoud get all the funding*
- ◆ *Chess club would be my main suggestion, but you could also do something like a ping pong club or a paddle sports club (Badminton, pickleball, ect)*
- ◆ *Allow kids to just simply be heard out, ask their opinion when making decisions for their school environment and the ways that help them learn best.*
- ◆ *Make it so we don't need an "experience", such as a math "experience", each year. It's a waste of time. It's a waste of energy. Also, please bring back the only needing 3 math credits to graduate. There's absolutely no reason that this needs to be in place, especially if math is something you cannot and will not go into. Same goes for english. I understand that not everyone likes writing as much as I. That's okay. They should be able to take as many math classes as they want and not be held back by those requirements that do nothing but hinder their goals. It's getting to the point I might need to take vlacs classes to get in everything that I want and need to. There's not enough time.*
- ◆ *Don't always favor "troublesome" kids and check in on the "gifted" kids. Because soon they will be struggling and not ready for high school.*
- ◆ *I feel like giving the two middle schools equal funds would just benefit GBS alot, SMS seems to be favored over GBS by the district*
- ◆ *PLEASE let the kids be kids and have more outdoor and fun activities that make school fun. DO something with the whole school AT LEAST once a month. Also I know finding teachers is hard especially for middle school but please make sure they actually like teaching middle school aged kids, a lot of my teachers were mean to us whenever we acted our own age. Let the kids have a childhood, don't rob them of it.*
- ◆ *Allow the 5th graders to join more clubs and sports.*
- ◆ *Covid really messed up my middle schools experience so that's my only middle school complaint, and I really don't remember too much about elementary school other than [redacted] were the best teachers ever.*
- ◆ *The teachers need to stop standing outside of these poor 10 year old kids bathrooms. They really think they're preventing something...*
- ◆ *I am in high school but they can improve but being more welcoming and coming out of the covid stages.*