

RESULTS of Fall 2013 OQS Parent/Guardian Survey
Comments are typed verbatim.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1. My child receives quality instruction in the core content areas (reading, writing, math, science, social studies).	38	23		
2. My child receives quality instruction in the related arts (library, phys ed., music, and art).	39	23		
3. My child is given challenging school work.	29	26	3	
4. OQS promotes academic success for all students.	40	20		
5. There are opportunities to extend and enrich my child's learning.	32	27	1	
6. The Ottawaquechee School provides a safe environment for teaching and learning.	45	14	1	1
7. My child feels a sense of belonging at school.	49	13	1	
8. When I visit OQS people make me feel welcome.	51	12		
9. OQS maintains a clean and inviting appearance.	51	12		
10. The Principal ensures that our school is a place for learning.	48	14		
11. There is open communication between parents and school staff.	43	14	6	
12. I am satisfied with communication from my child's teacher.	40	18	2	
13. OQS allows input and welcomes parents' contributions.	39	20	1	
14. The Principal is accessible and listens to my ideas and concerns	43	14	1	1

What do you most like about the Ottauquechee School?

- Caring teachers!
- Positive, active Principal!
- Great teachers.
- Location.
- Commitment of staff- kindness of Mrs. Peterson
- Wolves on the Prowl
- Garden Club
- Teaching model.
- Teachers.
- Staff.
- Students.
- We love how friendly and involved all the staff are, and the diversity of activities that children are given the opportunity to participate.
- Sense of community- options for extra curricular activities (BOMB, Wolves, Garden Club)
- The safe learning environment, the positive influence that teachers have had on my children and the opportunities for growth in all areas of education.
- We love the staff and sense of community.
- My son feels very accepted and enjoys attending school.
- Small school family feel.
- The continued access to staff and the learning environment. It is the best!
- Small classroom sizes when they happen.
- Being greeted at the door every day by Mr. Kornfeld. We also enjoy all the opportunities our child has to learn both in the classroom and outdoors as well.
- The family activities, clean environment.
- The small town feeling, the sense of belonging that my daughter feels.
- My child likes the staff, students, and curriculum.
- KM kindergarten in the woods- AMAZING. Art, music, library-such great teachers.
- Teachers are so in tune with kids! Community events well attended. Clean-warm.
- Teachers, principal, staff. Excellent teachers who care about my child.
- Locations, teachers and staff.
- The exceptionally amazing staff that is completely invested, sincerely with every child who attends this school!

What can we do to improve?

- Reading groups= starting the tracking process early, eh? Hartford H.S. has a reputation: “Your kids received a quality education if they’re in the Honors Program.” – Is OQS feeding into this?
- Languages- French given proximity to Canada.
- Extracurricular enrichment programs.
- More academic groups/clubs after school may be once a week
- More communication from teachers
- Address that bullying does exist in all Hartford schools and work to improve it.
- Change the school to a k-12 please!!!
- Would love to see more academic extra-curricular activities- clubs?

- Maybe more on bullying
- Nothing at this time.
- More specialized breakout classes for subjects.
- Sometimes when I visit or call with a question I feel as if I am being viewed as a bother.
- More instruction w/homework.
- Better/healthier food choices. Can't deal with crowded programs/concerts!
- After school sports for younger grades.
- I couldn't possibly come up with something- and I can critique 😊

Any other comments?

- We appreciate all that you do!
- Thank you
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- A film was too scary.
- We are very happy that our child is able to be a student at OQS.
- Watch the bullying- stricter discipline.
- Great job!
- Thank you to every person on the staff for your warm smiles- genuine encouragement to your students. Every day-no joke- I see at least one person on staff go so far above and beyond for the kids who go here. You're a wonderful group of people. I'm so thankful my kids are able to be here. It's like a loving extended family,