Educational Research – July 3 PARENT/GUARDIAN VOICE SURVEY RESULTS – July 3, 2018

EMERGING THEMES

A. Nurturing Our Catholic Community

- 1. My child's school promotes Catholic values and practices 92% agreement
- My child talks to me about the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations learned at school 45% agreement (Note: Perhaps not a good question to consider, will be need to be revised)
- 3. I feel my child is growing in faith and how to live it. 87% agreement
- 4. My child's school is working closely with the parish 73% agreement
- 20. There is a strong connection between school, home and parish. 71% agreement

Monitor

There is evidence that nurturing our Catholic community is strong, however, improvements are needed in making connections with the parish.

B. School Climate

- 5. My child enjoys attending school. 89% agreement
- 6. My child's school is a welcoming place in which to learn. 89% agreement
- 7. I feel welcomed in my child's school. 88% agreement
- 8. My child feels safe at school. 89% agreement
- 9. My child's school is responsive to the needs of children from all cultural backgrounds and abilities. 77% agreement

On Target

There is evidence that parents/guardians feel that there is a positive school climate where students and parents feel welcomed, inclusive and students feel safe.

C. Supporting Learning

- 10. There are high expectations for students to achieve in literacy, numeracy and all other subjects. 81% agreement
- 11. My child's learning needs are met at school. 78% agreement
- 12. My child's school provides useful information to me regarding his/her achievement and well-being. 79% agreement
- 13. The school engages my child in activities that support learning in literacy and numeracy including assessments such as Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO).
 81% agreement
- 14. The school engages my child in activities that support learning in all other subject areas. 80% agreement
- 15. My child's school promotes practices that support spiritual, social, physical and mental well-being. 84% agreement
- 16. I have seen evidence of classroom strategies that support my child's learning (e.g., learning goals and success criteria). 71% agreement
- 17. My child has access to books, learning materials and other resources to support learning. - 85% agreement

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18. My child has access to technology that supports learning (e.g., computers, laptops,

chrome books, tablets, software, applications, etc.). – 72% agreement

On Target

There is evidence that parents/guardians feel their child is supported in school with high expectations, and meeting student academic, spiritual, social, physical and mental well-being.

Monitor

Perhaps some improvement regarding evident classroom strategies and access to technology.

D. Communication

- 19. My child's school provides parents with information regarding evaluation and assessment practices. 77% agreement
- 23. My child's school talks to me about factors that affect my child's education. - 68% agreement
- 24. Our school regularly provides communications in a variety of formats (newsletters, twitter, email, website, SynreVoice in secondary schools, etc.) 88% agreement
- 25.1 know about the Board's communications to parents available through the TCDSB website (e.g., the Director's Voice, Highlights from the Board, and Committee Meetings.) 67% agreement
- 26. My child's school provides adequate notification about school events and activities. - 86% agreement
- 27. Translations of materials are available for parents whose first language is not English.
 - 34% agreement; 58% don't know ___ (Consider adding an option to this question, "I do not need translation from English")
- 28. Open and timely communication occurs between parents and the school.
 - 80% agreement

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There is evidence that some improvements could be made in communication with parents/guardians, in particular with regards to school communication on factors that affect their child's education and assessment practices, as well as, as an awareness of how the Board communicates to parents/guardians.

E. Parent involvement

- 21. There are opportunities for parents to attend information sessions and get involved in the life of the school. 88% agreement
- 22.1 know about the Catholic School Parent Council (CSPC) at the school.
 - 87% agreement
- 29. At my child's school, parents have the opportunity to provide feedback and input.
 - 73% agreement

On Target

There is evidence that parental involvement is positive, there could be some small improvements in ensuring that parents/guardians have the opportunity to provide feedback and input at their child's school.