

**BEACON HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
2021-2022 BUDGET CONSULTATION RESPONSE**

Question 1:

What is your relationship to the Lester B. Pearson School Board?

Answer:

Governing Board

Question 2:

Do you have any suggestions regarding objectives, principles or criteria used to govern the allocation of funds?

Answer:

1. To support the learning of all students and ensure funds are allocated where they can best be used to provide services to students.
2. To provide teachers with the necessary tools to support adaptive and creative learning using new technologies.
3. To promote the concept of a healthy body/mind by directing necessary funding to support such programs as Art, Music, Physical Education, etc.

Question 3:

To help us further support our students' success, in your opinion, which of the following resources and programs are essential to supporting high levels of student achievement? Please select all that apply

Answer:

- Integration of Technology
- Early Literacy Intervention
- Renewed Math Strategy
- French programming
- Staff Training
- Experiential Learning
- Special Education programming

We believe that all of these are essential to supporting high levels of student achievement, especially Early Literacy Intervention and Special Education Programming.

Question 4:

The school boards priority is to maintain buildings in the best condition that is possible within the budgets provided by the Ministry of Education. If there are surplus funds available please choose the school and centre building component that you believe requires the most service, maintenance or replacement.

Answer:

As an elementary school governing board, we feel that the most critical areas that would require upgrade would be:

- Grounds maintenance, exterior work

Question 5:

In light of upcoming budget compressions, do you have suggestions for cost savings throughout the school board.

Answer:

1. Leveraging the use of technology to reduce costs relating to conference costs, etc
2. Where possible to look into potential partnerships with other school boards to reduce overhead and administrative costs

Question 6:

Any comments or suggestions.

Answer:

Considering budget cutbacks in the past, we feel that special attention needs to be paid to how funds are allocated to student services to ensure that students continue to receive the highest quality education.