

**GOVERNING BOARD
PIERREFONDS COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
2020-2021**

RESPONSE TO LBPSB 2021-2022 BUDGET CONSULTATION

Dear Genviève Dugré

The PCHS Governing Board has considered the budget consultation, and provides the following responses to the questions in Appendix C to the consultation:

Question 1 – Governing Board

Question 2 - Regarding objectives, principles or criteria used to govern the allocation of funds, the PCHS GB recommends that funds be prioritized for special programs such as WOTP, IB, and homework programs.

Question 3 – With regard to this question, the PCHS GB feels that all resources and programs are important. Given the current situation we feel support should be given for Student Wellness then the rest of the priorities. Therefore, we recommend that they be prioritized as follows after Student Wellness:

- 1 – Experiential learning
- 2 – Staff Training
- 3 – Renewed Math Strategy
 - French programming
 - Integration of Technology
 - Special Education programming
- 4 – Early Literacy Intervention

Question 4 – With regard to the school boards priority 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 we believe that priorities should be established in the following order:

- 1) Classroom insulation (sound and heating/cooling)
- 2) Classroom furniture
- 3) Flooring, painting, lighting
- 4) Grounds maintenance, exterior work (Student drop-off area needs to be improved)
- 5) Interior upgrade (charging stations and common area furniture upgrades)

Question 5 – Suggested cost savings throughout the school board. We believe that the use of the Mozaic portal should be expanded to be used as a method for paying fees (these include all fees paid during registration sessions, school fees, as well as library fees, and field trip fees). Similarly, the portal could be used as a method for completing field trips permission forms, carpool forms and any other forms presented during registration days including medical forms, contact information, emergency contact information and being able to make any changes to these during the school year. This will avoid handling of Money and processing of paperwork

Question 6 – Other comments or suggestions: We suggest going paperless as a cost savings and for its environmental impact.

Regards,



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