



Student Empowerment and Vision Questions 2021

What do you need from your teachers more than anything else?

(Suggestion for this to be more specific- add categories, academics, social, life skills, career classes)

- Community
 - Funding for more clubs
 - Building relationships
- College and Career Classes
- Counselors for emotional and therapy support
- Life skills classes (finance, managing work and school)
- Tutoring and study hall opportunities
 - Study advice

What barriers do you experience in your learning?

- No study hall for athletes
- No after school tutoring
- Mental health support (I asked a clarifying questions on this, 'What does mental health support look like?
 - Therapist on campus
 - More knowledge about mental health supports we have (proactive strategies)
- Lack of motivation (Changing from distance learning was hard)
- Inconsistency (I asked for clarification on this- some teachers give us work to do and don't teach us, others fill time and don't relate to us, some provide teaching, but lots of work to go with it.
- Busy work
- Teachers not teaching

What does Parkrose Strong mean to you?

- Being proud of Parkrose
- Having a community support system
- Feeling comfortable/safe
- School spirit
- Overcoming hardships and challenges (racism, sexism, financial difficulties, lack of resources in the community)
- Student/staff relationships
- The Parkrose community is strong
- Suggestion to use the word community vs. strong



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What do you need to feel safe?

- Integrity from staff and students. Do what you should be doing when no one is watching you
- Feeling heard
- Openness from staff
- Non-judgemental community (Cultural, LGBTQ+, Clubs)
- More realistic sexual education for students (I asked for clarity, they shared what is being taught is really what happens)
- Recognition for every community in our school
- More open access to mental health resources
- Year round cultural appreciation
- Promote racial awareness (Do's and Don'ts)
- Relationship support group/clubs/classes (I asked for clarification, and they described many situations in relationships where they struggle to navigate because they don't know how to respond to conflict or being treated a certain way in a relationship)

What questions should we be asking?

- What changes do you want to see?
- What are some of your negative experiences?
- What are some of your positive experiences?
- What flaws do you see in our school system?
- How can we ensure you get the most from your high school experience?
- What do you want to see more of?
- How can we make it easier for students to ask for help and receive help?
- What has prevented you from participating in school activities/events?

NEXT STEPS- January 2022

- Generate feedback from students
 - Create a plan
 - Determine whether we want to use or revise the proposed questions?
- Discuss current issues
- Discuss and problem-solve key solutions (Pick top three)
 - Start the discussion on 1/5/22