

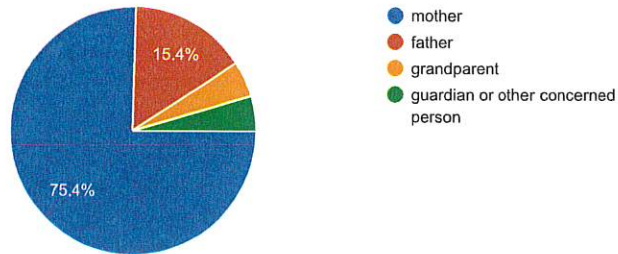
Central City School Needs Assessment, 2020

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I am the child's

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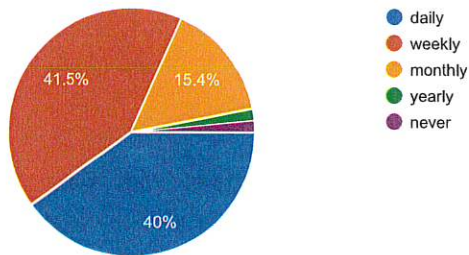
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How often do you visit the school?

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65 responses



When you hear the words "Central City School" what do you think of?

60 responses

Great school

Great school

Family

Best school my children could attend

United

Awesome Teachers!!

Qualified teachers, excellent administrators and caring teamwork across the district

PRIDE

Amazing staff

A small school with big hearts! People who really care about the children they are teaching.

Blessed. Family. Grateful

Awesome school and great teachers

K-8 school

One of the best schools in our town

Small town pride!

A school that I feel is a safe place for my child to get a good education.

Great school and outstanding staff

A good school

Community

good school

Great teachers!!

Great teachers

a great school

A school full of love!

Great place with a caring staff

I am very pleased with the school

Great place of good education

Sports, Mr. Sloat, good education, clean

The best place in the county for my child to be amongst some of the greatest teachers.

Good school



Great school with Awesome teachers

The best School and teachers staff around caring for each and every student

Great School

Great people and school

Safe

Loving to help others

Caring, devoted, love

A great place for learning

A great school. My kids love this school. My mother and her siblings went to this school when they were young too.

Great school and staff

Home

A good school

One of the best schools in Centraalia

Happy kids

Family- school pulls together to help each other .

A great school

Great school!

The administration is great, along with the teachers.

Love the school and the staff

A school that goes above and beyond for their students and their community. Great academics and great leadership.

Great teachers and a family

It's a good school all teachers are all about the kids. It's not just a job for them

My child's school and I'm proud to say that

Home

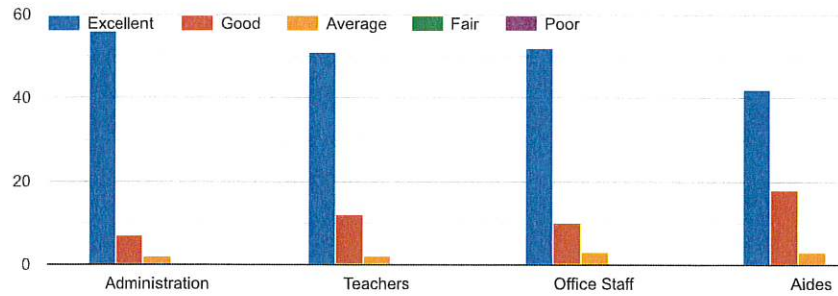
Amazing school

Great Staff



Please select your overall rating of the following Central City School staff members:

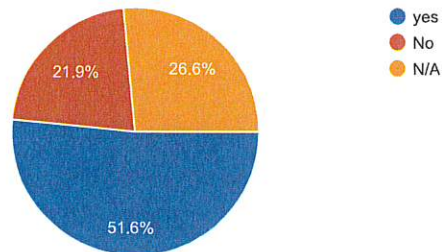
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Do you read the Home & School Connection monthly newsletter for K- 5 Parents?

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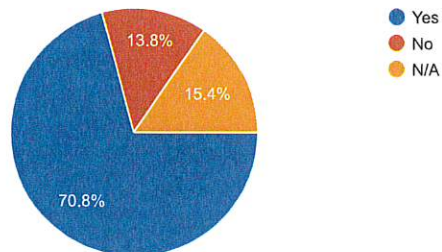
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Do you feel the Accelerated Reader Program has been beneficial to your child?

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65 responses



If "Yes", then explain

43 responses

My kids are excited for point

Motivation

My child loves to read, this program gives him incentives to read.

It expands their knowledge in areas when they think outside of the box and explore different authors and topics

Gives them more practice reading and obtaining the info for quizzes.

It encourages my child to read on his own.

It encourages my child to read books from the school library.

It encourages child to read outside of the assigned work books

Reading more often

Reading is good

The program encourages my students to read. However, as they grow and develop as readers (higher grades), I do not see it as important or beneficial. It becomes more of a chore and opens up cheating.

He has improved amazingly with his reading skills and he enjoys reading.

Shes excited to test to see how well she does

She has developed a love of reading

They like the AR Store

they read to get more points

Kid doesnt participate in AR

It challenges my boys to read more.

I think that the extra help and motivation helps my children

Yes he is reading alot better

The program encourages them to continue to read and surpass their level.

Gives him a goal to strive for

It get my child to read

She pushes herself to keep reading books

It is additional reading and stories he can choose which helps him want to read

With the assignments it makes you kid read which I think is the main thing my kid needs to focus on

My son likes to read, he is interested in a variety of books. Before he really wasn't very interested in reading.

It helps her to sound out words better



It helps them read words that I didn't think they could read just yet. The big long words.

She reads more

Reading is brain power

Makes them want to read more

My daughter is so eager to learn and read her AR books she loves taking the test on them at school and with this program I feel like she reads so much more.

Getting them to sit down & read. We struggle with retention sometimes.

He reads more than he was.

It pushes my kids to read more even though they aren't big readers.

If CC didn't do AR, the likelihood that my boys would sit down and read a book would be unlikely.

Gets kids to read more books

My child loves to read. The AR program only highlights this and challenges her to continue reading. She loves earning points and using them at the AR store to purchase fun classroom supplies.

Any reading is beneficial to any kid

It gives them a goal to obtain.

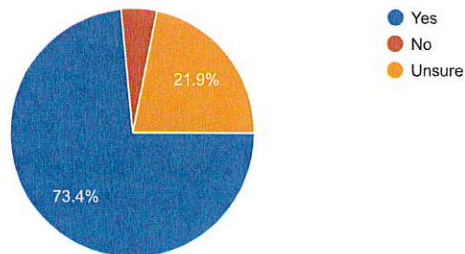
Helps them read and learn how important it is

It's a good motivation to read.

Do you think the AR store is an effective reward system for AR participants?

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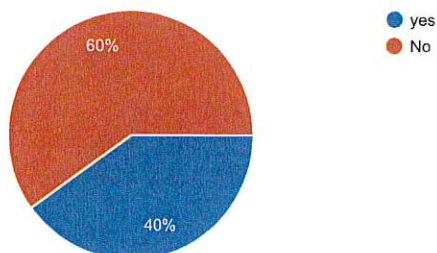
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This is the 3rd year of the Title 1 program ASK(After School Knowledge) for K-8 grade students. Did your child(ren) attend any days of this program?

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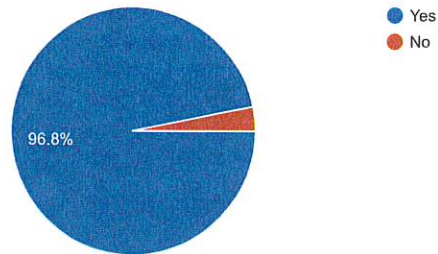
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Would you like to see the ASK program continued next year?

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63 responses



If "Yes", are there any changes you would like to see in the After School program?

25 responses

No

N/A

Na

Having the student stay engaged with their assignments and encouraging them to ask for additional help. Assuring that they stay in groups that are not of social agenda instead of educational motivation and expansion of their knowledge of course work.

Everyday! 🤖

N/a

None

My child does not go but many students do that get the extra help on their work.

no

I'm happy with the program, it benefits the child incase they need a teachers perspective

No changes.

More staff helping to provide more 1 on 1 helping

Have it 3 days a week.

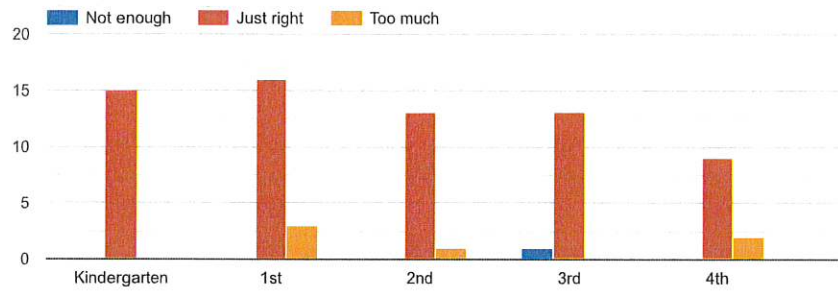
It's a great program. Maybe offer it Monday through Thursday.

No but I would like my son to attend

Nope



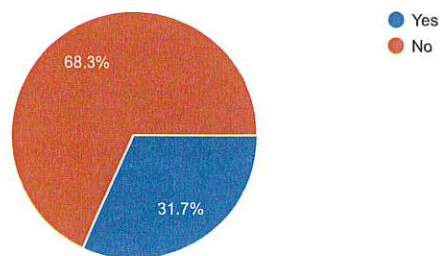
What is your rating of the amount of homework that your child(ren) receives this year? Please mark only the rows for each grade that your child(ren) attends this year.



Did your child make any comments to you about the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) tests being conducted in March/April?



63 responses



Comments

11 responses

Scared

All computer based but neither struggled.

With covid-19, we aren't in school for testing

This school has been instrumental in her development. They have offered support during very trying times for our family and our community.

7th graders talked a lot about the writing part of the test and how they have gotten better with multiplication and fractions.

How it would be done on a computer and they felt uncomfortable using the computer

Shes nervous

They ask me if they are still taking it since we have the stay-at-home issue going on. I told them that I have no clue. Soon as I knew I would let them know.

Said they are supposed to be doing testing

A lot of pressure. One was worried sick, the other shrugged her shoulders

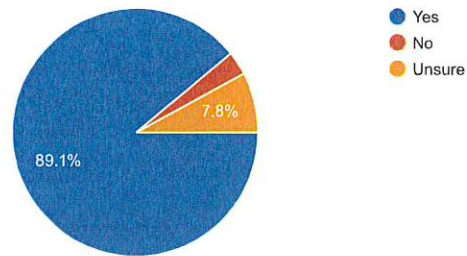
We are preparing for our big test. We are testing next week.



In your opinion, are the lessons (curriculum) that are being taught to your child this year appropriate to their grade level?

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64 responses



What changes would you like to see made to the Central City Curriculum?

22 responses

None

Having PE & Health Curriculum updated with Review guides so that students are not getting classroom experience only and can be better equipped on subject matter and able to retain it.

Common core math is exhausting. It's very hard to help our child with the math when we don't really understand ourselves as adults.

Eliminate common core math

Getting children better in English and Math for high school level.

Actually having a math book.

Better prepare them for high school testing

More 1:1 interaction between the teachers and students

N/A

common core math is meant to teach different methods to get the same answer. The child is suppose to choose which way works best for them and be allowed to use that method, but as it is now the student is being tested on EACH way. It is confusing for first graders to be taught a way that works for them, then have to be tested on another method that they do not grasp.

Maybe send a little better explanation of how things are done with the kids. Or how to find it online.

No more common core math

No changes. It's really good the way it is.

Early algebra

Idk

I believe health is just so so. Some things do not conform.

Science jr high classes to have more labs to prepare for high school. Offer more career learning or shadowing to help get an idea for future. Possibly foreign language beginning class. Learn more about current events- have more discussion about current situation politics, social awareness and serious discussion about sexting, sending naked pictures and sexual harassment and assaults.

Common core math needs to go!

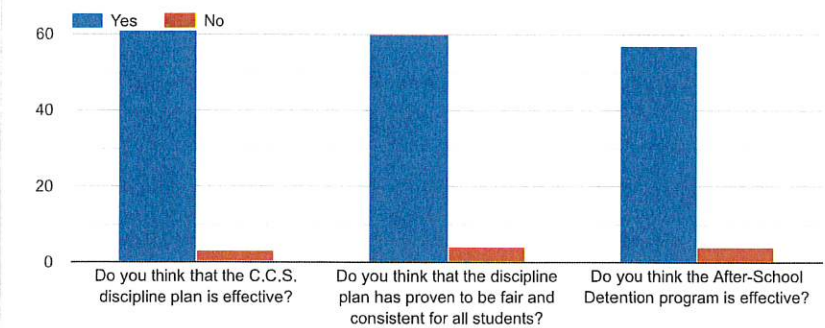
No more common core!

I am beyond happy with the curriculum.



Please respond to the following questions about the discipline at Central City School.

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In your opinion, what is the greatest strength of the discipline plan?

22 responses

Mr. B is fair and explains to the children to do better

Consistency

Holding students accountable for their actions and equipping parents with the respect of school/parent relationships are vital

Immediate consequences

The students' personal relationship with the teaching staff and the administration.

I believe that the teachers and administration handle problems very well and that the discipline plan in place is very good. Not a lot of drama or bullying is tolerated and I appreciate that as a parent.

Consequences to actions

Consistently preparing them for high school

Havent had much experience with it, fortunately

Defines rules and consequences

Rules are enforced

N/A

The superintendent applies sound commonsense, education, proven principals to the disciplinary process.

Not sure kids never been in trouble

As a grade school, if a child got a detention and had to stay after school to serve it, I believe that should teach the child not to do what he/she did to get the detention. It will teach children that even through all grades of schooling, a detention should teach the child to behave and/or do what is told by following the rules.

They are being taught to behave

I am not familiar with the discipline plan, my child is in first grade.

It's a good plan but needs to be consistently enforced.

I think the STAR parties are good for rewarding kids and when it gets taken away I think the kids try to do better.

The incentives in place to deter negative behavior.

Award system I think works great! After school works great as well if they get in to much trouble

No comment

In your opinion, what is the greatest weakness of the discipline plan?

17 responses

Parents who defend the actions of unruly students and who are adamant about their children not being held accountable for their actions

Not sure. My child doesn't get into trouble very much so really not sure.

It isn't consistent with all children

Nothing really

None

Parents need to set an example instead of placing blame and making excuses.

Some students get punished while other students do not.

Parents aren't always notified about their child getting disciplined.

N/A

No one to stand behind it

Blanket restrictions created by the state covers Chicago to Cairo (all jurisdictions)

Not sure

Why is there a weakness? It shouldn't have one.

Not all kids are punished the same due to the situations not being investigated by both the teacher and the principal

Not being enforced. Some kids get out of detention and some do not. Accountability needs to be enforced and taught

I have not encountered any issues.

No comment

Additional comments:

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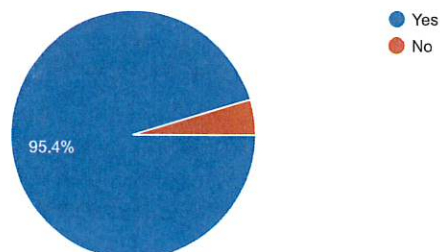
No responses yet for this question.

Technology

Do you feel that your child(ren) receive(s) adequate exposure to technology at school?

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65 responses



Explain?

21 responses

Google classroom and power point

I am blown away by how fluent they are to logging into the online school. They are able to do so without help

In this time of uncertainty, CCS has risen in minimal time to rise to adapting their curriculum to meet the needs of all of their children/families

When we went on lockdown for this coronavirus my 4th grader knew exactly what to do as far as technology and the freckle, class dojo, google classroom programs.

Chromebooks

They have computer classes

I would like to see more done on Classroom

She gets tablet time daily

Love that they had been using google classroom before e learning.

More computer time and learn typing skills

They get to use ipads

It is very up to date I feel

I'm not sure. But I know last year he talked about a computer lab and now he says its gone.

Definitely has improved in working around different search engines ect

They get plenty of time on their chromebooks to learn different subjects. Which is AWESOME!!!

Designated screen time for learning how accounts and logins work

Use of chrome books and the variety of programs being used broaden the learning. Especially now with e-learning.

The programs online & access to chromebooks have been very helpful.

School taught her how to use a commuter and an ipad.

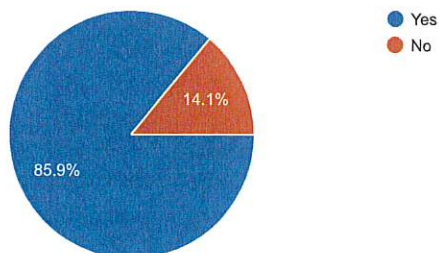
Working on tablets and computers helps kids a lot for their future

Most of the junior high classes have barely used technology for anything this school year.

Has your child talked about using a chromebook or iPad at school?

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64 responses



Comments:

8 responses

Yes, chrome book.

Often talks about using a tablet

Time seems very limited

She tells me thats how she uses seesaw.

THEY LOVE IT.

Very cool

They use it daily

How much they like the iPad they use at school and wants to use the same programs at home as they do in 1st grade

Are there any ways you would like to see the technology at our school improved?

11 responses

Finding the access for ChromeBooks to be purchased for each individual student so their information can be readily accessible

I think it's good.

It should approve as far as upgrading technology

No

Bring home math books or copies

Use chromebooks in more classes

If they could teach the parents how to work seesaw and other programs the kids use so we are aware of whats going on

Younger kids need to use computers more

THEY ARE DOING GREAT RIGHT NOW.

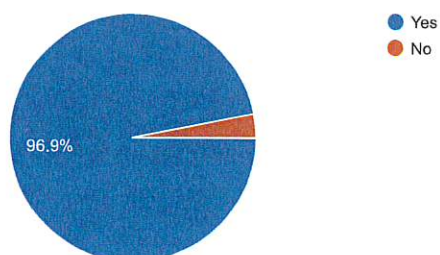
Offer a computer operations class so students can learn different OS before H.S.

It would be nice to have a cart in each class . This would eliminate need for textbooks and ability to have updated textbook information.

Do you and/or your child(ren) have regular access to the Internet at home?

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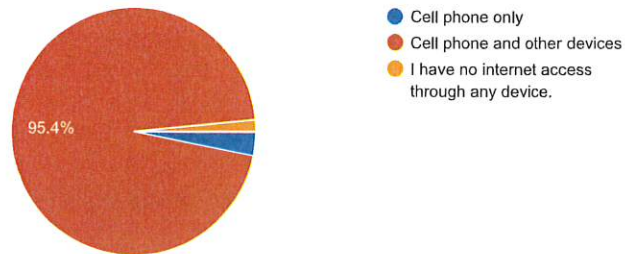
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Can you access the internet through your cell phone only, or cell phone and other devices?



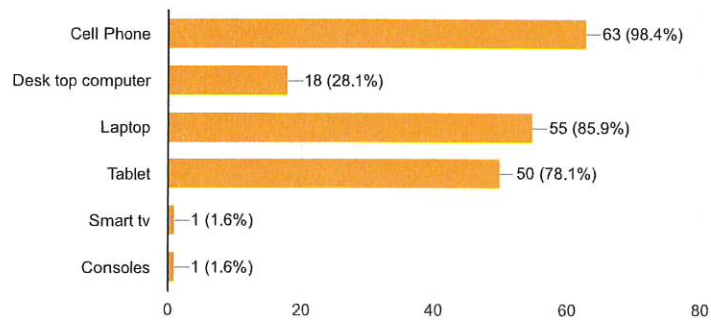
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If you have internet what kinds of devices do you access the internet through at home?



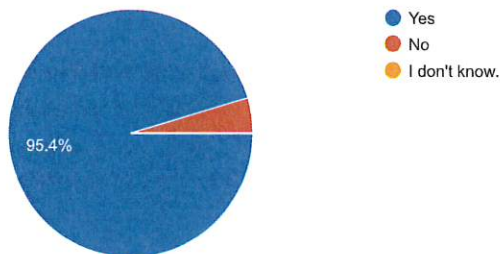
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Do you have WiFi internet access at your home?



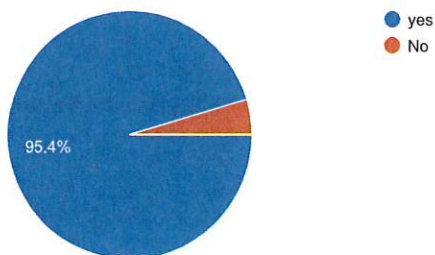
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Do you know what e-learning is and would you be interested in seeing it implemented in some way at our school?



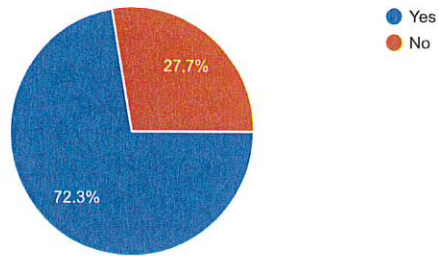
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Have you used the TeacherEase online program to check your child's grades, discipline logs, etc.?

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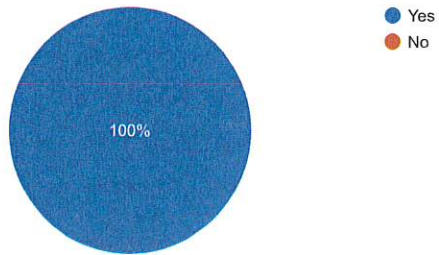
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Have you or your child visited the Central City School website at www.ccs133.com?

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65 responses



What changes would you like to see made to our website?

15 responses

Lunch menu easier to find

Easier browsing

I think it's good

Less complex, more up to date

Looks good to me

None

None!

I would like the school website to be used more by the teachers. Often the homework is not listed in the homework tab.

weekly updates to the classroom pages. sometimes it is and other times it is months before an update goes on the class page

Just keep up the good updates

None, it's very helpful with everything that is going on daily. And it is updated daily so all parents know what is going on.

Add a search bar

Sometime little confusing, can't find things.

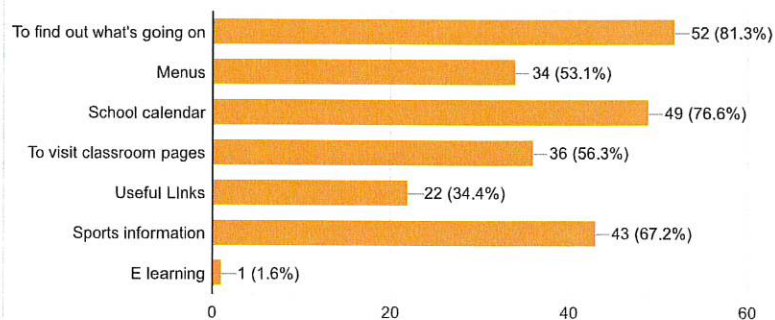
Classroom pages are not being updated. Some haven't changed since August. It's a resource not being utilized. It needs to be updated weekly with class assignments and information for parents and students. This would eliminate the constant repeat questions on parent Facebook page about spelling words, assignments, test, etc. coaches do not use their sport page either. Certain coaches rely on Facebook group to communicate with parents and a lot of misinformation occurs.

Mobile friendly

What are your main reasons for visiting the CCS website? (check all that apply)



64 responses



Comments:

3 responses

It would be great if a student was absent due to illness if they could use the online schooling

Sometimes, I feel information is put in the CCS Parents site, and this info is not accessible to those not in the site.

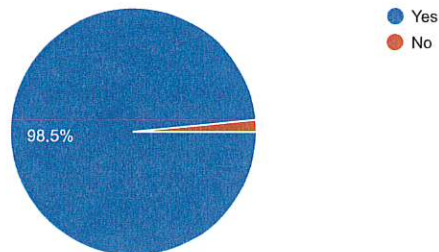
Website is a great resource and it is not being used to its full potential.

Home/School Connection

Did you find Central City School's "One Call Now" parent notification system helpful this year?

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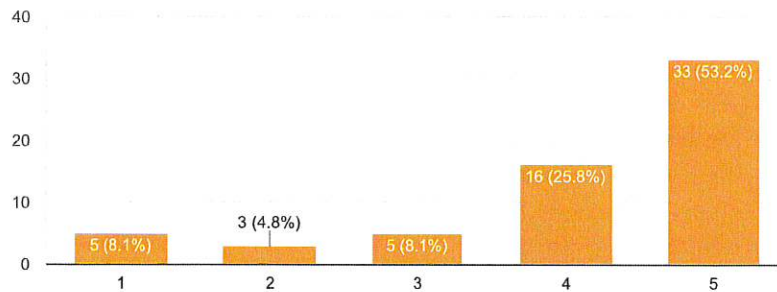
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Do you regularly check your child's school planner for homework assignments, teacher notes, or school information?

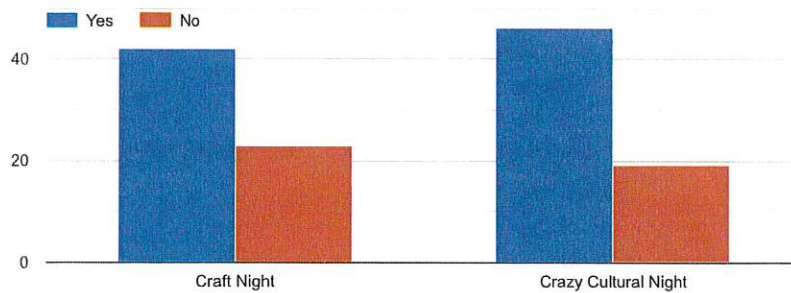
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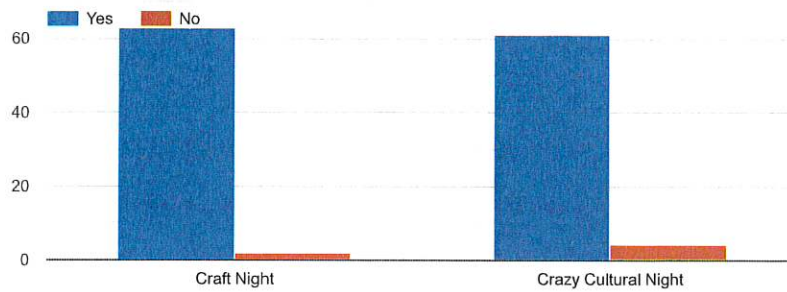


Did you attend or plan to attend Craft Night or Crazy Cultural Night?

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Craft Night and Crazy Cultural Night are both Title I parent-involvement events. Do you want to see these events continued for the next school year?



Comments on Craft Night or Crazy Cultural Night:

14 responses

When my children were smaller we attended craft night and they absolutely loved it. We have refrained this year so that the smaller kids could have a turn with less traffic.

Actively involving parents/families/students in extracurricular activities increases family participation in the student's schooling activities and gives parents an opportunity to learn more about who the fine dedicated individuals are that are there for their children

My child has fun and looks forward to both of these events.

Lillie and both parents loved it

Love crazy culture night

I think many students and parents enjoy these programs. When my son was younger we always attended.

We missed one because of sickness

I Will have to go to these. I hear they are fun.

Great way of getting the community of students and parents together

Craft night usually falls on a night with basketball games being away. Those students then can't participate.

Craft night could be split into 2 nights by grade level. It is always over crowded.

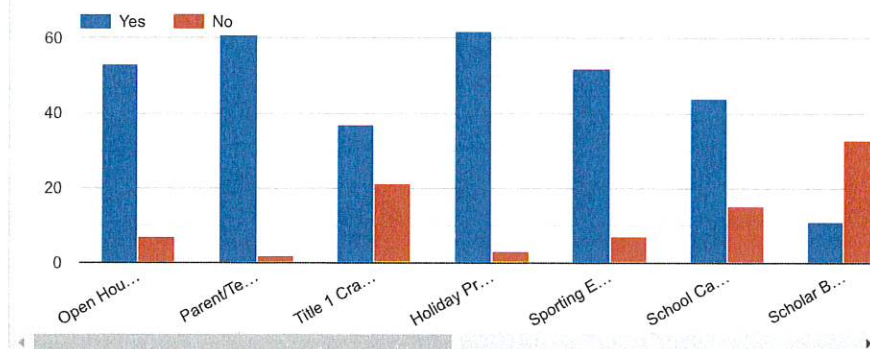
I think Craft night shou

These are both fun and educational. Please continue.

Craft night is always too busy and crowded my son with sensory issues gets overloaded



What functions did you attend or do you plan to attend at Central City School in the 2019- 2020 school year? (please mark all that apply)



Is there an activity for parents and/or students that you would like to see started at Central City School?

9 responses

A mentorship program

No

Community fundraising

Golf

Father/Daughter dance

Dances

Doughnuts with dad!!!

The school following their district rules and kicking people out that are attending out of district!!!!

Grandparents day for K-4, Veterans program k-8, career day for jr high students, workshop for students and parents 6-8 about cyber bullying, sexting, sending naked pictures and child pornography



Do you have any suggestions on how to attract more participants to the PTO?

7 responses

When my youngest child is a little bit older I would be happy to join the PTO and help more.

No

More information, I'm not sure when it is or how I can help

No

I don't even know who the PTO ppl are.

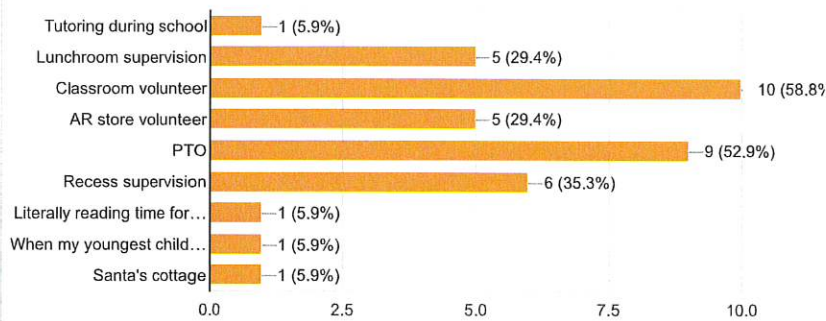
Quit being double standard and follow your rules especially when it comes to kids attending illegally!!! It causes kids that are in district to lose out on opportunities like sports due to the school being over populated with out of district kids.

Pto has tried so much to get more involvement. I am so disappointed in the lack of staff that comes to meetings and their involvement with pto activities. PTO is parents- Teachers, not just parents. Teachers have been very negative about some of the things the PTO has done - carnival/coronation, 100 days -cupcakes, costume contest, not giving out \$150 to start off the school year for supplies- but when they want something specific for their room they come to pto for it. You have to give before you take.

Would you be interested in volunteering at CCS for any of the following:
(please mark all that apply)

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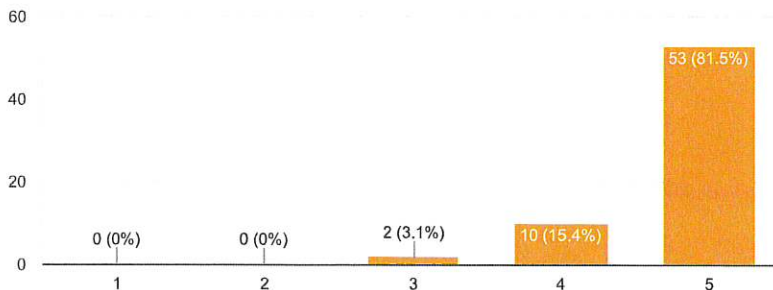
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How safe from serious threats do you feel your child is when he/she is at school during regular school hours?

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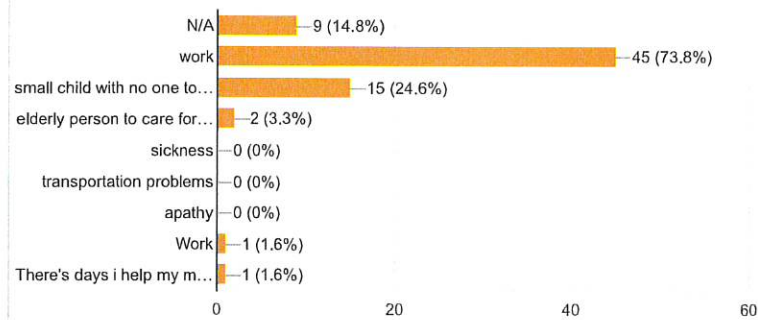
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What are the reasons you feel keep you from being involved at Central City School? (Please mark all that apply)



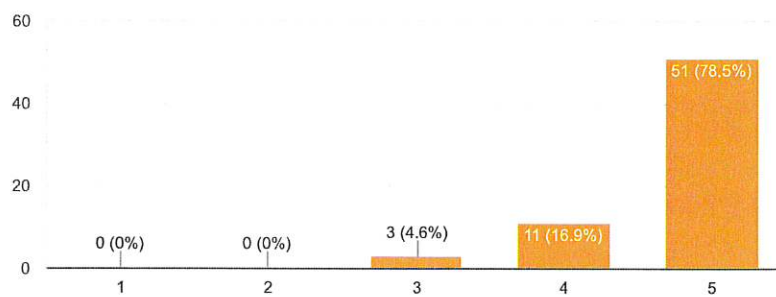
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Please rate your overall satisfaction with Central City School as a place to send your child(ren) to school?



65 responses



Thank you for taking the time to fill out this survey! The opinions of parents, grandparents, and guardians of ALL students at Central City School are essential for the planning process for the 2020-2021 school year. Check back later for results to this survey. Please write any additional comments below:

8 responses

N/A

You're all doing an amazing job!!

I am so pleased with the quality of education and environment at CCS!

I believe the 6 7 8th grade still have to many students in a classroom.

Love this school and Tim is great leader. Go citians!!

I am parent of an 8th grader and would love to still be involved with the school next year. Unfortunately my current job prevents volunteering during the day . I would like to help with simple things if needed pto events, help keep website updated, helping coach. 20 years as a parent at the school and I will definitely miss everyone.

Keep doing a great job!

Thank you to all Central City faculty, staff, support staff, volunteers, parents, students that work so hard to provide such exceptional learning and community environment at our school! We are proud to be a part of this school.

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