



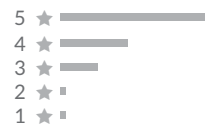
COPPERHAVEN SCHOOL THOUGHTEXCHANGE 2022

Parkland School Division 70



Q1 What are some things you appreciate and some concerns you have about Copperhaven School and/or Parkland School Division this year? (Note: you can hit the three purple dots and skip a thought in the 'Star' phase if a thought doesn't apply to you.)

I appreciate all the hard work the teachers have been doing in regards to Covid over the last two years.

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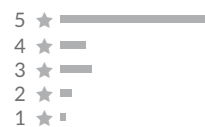
I wish all the teachers would use the same app for communication. It's frustrating having to download a different app for every child.
Streamline communication

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There has been a lot of concerns for the kids safety in regards to the traffic circle by the school. Kids safety is always important and should be a priority. This is a City concern as much as a school concern.

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Appreciate that they have a hot lunch program Nice variety for the kids and healthy options

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Would love to see more clubs - Drama, Ski club, art club.

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Games club, crib club, and band have all been great! Its important for school to be an enjoyable place to be.

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It would be beneficial to the junior high students to have options twice a week. Allows for additional learning experiences and the students enjoy them.

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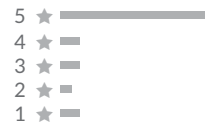
The teachers are working so very hard to shift and pivot during this time. The kids are doing well only because of the teachers' efforts

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The student drop off system is a joke. The round about and parking need to be addressed. What's going to happen when Grove Drive becomes a thru road? Student safety and traffic flow are non existent

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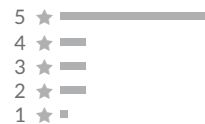
I'd love to see school activities for the middle grades, 5/6. Drama club, ski club, book club.

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The drop-off and pick-up area of Copperhaven is ridiculous and dangerous. The design was a huge failure and should be changed. The drop-off and pick-up area cannot accomodate enough vehicles and ends up being a safety hazard for the vehicles on Grove and the students walking.

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Great teachers Teachers are often the most important influential to a child, after their parents

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Parking lot in front of Copperhaven is terrible for the structure of pick up and drop off. And maintenance during winter is horrendous! This is a safety issue for ALL children!

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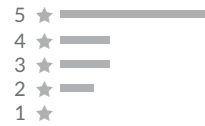
Concerns is the bullying that constantly happens. I don't feel like enough is done about it. Especially to repeat bullies. Important to have stricter rules in place so these kids hopefully learn that ignorance won't be tolerated at school.

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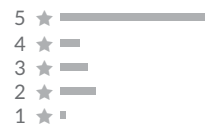
I appreciate the teachers and staff. My concerns are the traffic safety and lack of infrastructure for pick up and drop off location. Safety for everyone.

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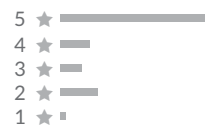
I continue to be concerned with the parking/pickup/drop off at Copperhaven. It is so crazy, and frustrating Dangerous backup of traffic, no where to park.

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The flow of vehicles/buses for pickup/dropoff is awful Important to be able to find your child in a timely manner so they aren't afraid and to not be verbally abused by other parents

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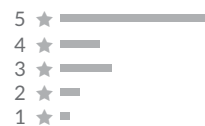
Amazing teachers Ensure the kids feel safe, cared for, and that they learn

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Concerned about efficiency and safety of drop off

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Reading and math support

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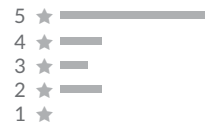
The pick up and drop off continue to be problematic. Traffic comes to a standstill regularly. It seems as though the school won't make effective changes to this.

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Pickup and drop off at the school is absolutely ridiculous. There is no flow and it takes an obscene amount of time to get through the chaos. Because I have to pick up and drop off my kids everyday

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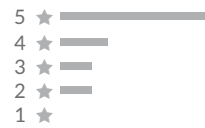
The parking lot It's a nightmare trying to pick up and drop off my kids.

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I appreciate the excellent teachers that my two boys have this year at copperhaven it is important as they want to be at school.. they want to learn and love the education they are getting.

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I worry about the lack of outdoor facilities for the kids at the school. even more so the caution tape that has been on the steps to the playground i dont want anyone to get hurt.... and i want room for all of the kids to get active during their breaks.

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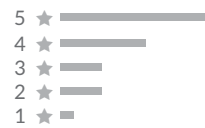
The instructional staff have all been very good with my children throughout their time at the school. Communications is key for parent involvement. Communication allows parents to team with the teachers to allow for an environment for full potential learning

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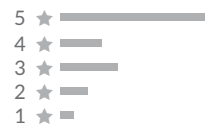
The teachers and administrative staff are outstanding. The academic focus of this school is very clear and appreciated.

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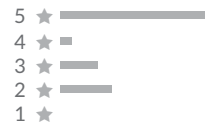
The teachers are fantastic We have had no complaints about any of our kids' teachers. They are wonderful go above and beyond and MAKE the school

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Parking issues. Something needs to be implemented to promote flow of traffic

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Dropping off & picking up our children from school, such chaos...everyday! It's a struggle for the parents that drop off/pick up in front of school. For the parents that park behind the school, have to walk icy field.

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I would like to see the return of ski club. It is a great opportunity for students especially those that aren't able to access these things on their own.

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The school has been open for several years now and there doesn't seem to be any development in the field(s) behind the school. Sporting grounds for track and field and activities such as soccer/football and baseball are essential for athletic development.

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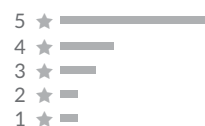
More EA support Younger grades need more one on one attention especially since COVID happened. Allow to have done during class time and not recess times.

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Having more access to testing for kids that need extra help no matter what level they're at My child currently needs testing. We can't afford to pay out of pocket and have been told that the school needs to do it.

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Parking lot drop offs and pick ups Is a dangerous time for all students, especially when it takes place off the side of the road in a turning lane

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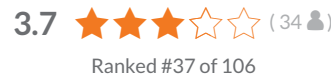


The division and superintendent have been efficient with their communication in regards to COVID updates. Keeps us in the loop!

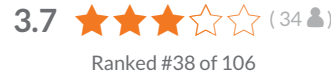
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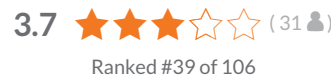
I am concerned about the maintenance of the ice around the school. Rarely is there gravel/salt spread on the pathways. Many children have been injured unnecessarily.



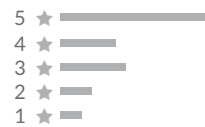
I like that PowerSchool gets updated frequently with marks from assignments/tests. This helps keep me updated to the areas my child is succeeding in, as well as places to continue to work on.



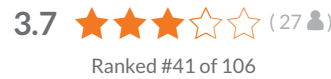
I am concerned that there is inconsistent expectations for communications from individual teachers. Some communicate far more than others. Some families know more and can be involved more with their child's learning.



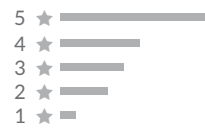
More EA's are needed When your child has an lpp but no support is available.to help the child and the child is getting left behind on learning this is a problem.



The teachers are amazing!! My kids have never not liked a teacher. They are comfortable and feel like they can speak openly with their teachers.





Concern about everything being digital with no text books or paperwork coming home Makes it really hard to help child stay on top of things. Textbooks and worksheets work much better for many families and students.

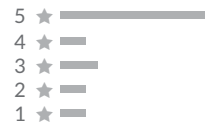


The exterior of the school was not maintained with the snow and ice in a safe manner this winter. The parking lot was not cleared properly, kids have fallen and injured themselves.



One of the biggest concerns I have is the parking/driving situation. As a working parent, it is not feasible to keep leaving work at 10 to 3 to be able to get a parking spot to pick up my child.

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All the ice we have & had this winter. It doesn't appear to have been dealt with at all. We've seen so many students that have fallen, including my own child, due to extreme icy conditions.

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I really appreciate all of bus monitors they doing a great job everyday. I'm this cold weather they helping kids and parents too.

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Returning to eight, 45 minute blocks in the day provides more opportunity for uninterrupted and consistent learning time. It is too rushed with the 9 learning blocks in a day.

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Nutrition program To make sure all kids have access to at least one meal/snack per day

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I am disappointed by the lack of options outside of the regular math, science, language curriculum. Courses like industrial arts seem to be missing. My child entered grade 7 with no mention of any other then a class that would run through a little bit of teasers of each. They seem limited as well.

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Walkways should extend to every door children are expected to enter through. Children currently have to walk on snow and ice to reach entrances at the back of the school, with no path. Safety issue.

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After school pickup Safety and well being

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Family events/school dances would help make the school feel more welcoming.

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Ranked #52 of 106



I really appreciate their effort for kids safty especially in these covid days.

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We appreciate the communication we have with our child's teacher. Communication is key to be in the know of what's going on with our children. We have that with our child's teacher.

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I would like to see more supports for kids with learning issues like ADHD. More tolerance and patience in class by teachers

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I appreciate the way admin handles student issues in the school. The team "seeks first to understand" and reacts objectively; emotions aside. It assures myself and my child that admin will treat situations with an intent to understand and thoughtfulness in next steps with clear communication

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All staff should have some training in first aid or dealing with common conditions like asthma. The school contacted me immediately with emergent health concerns for my child, after I expressed concern multiple times prior for non/incorrect actio

3.6  (14 
Ranked #57 of 106



In school counselor & groups For kids to have someone they trust that they can connect with & other kids going through similar things to connect with

3.6  (14 )
Ranked #58 of 106



Teachers have been top notch. Not a fan of the parking lot or not being able to see the classrooms

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If parents are informing Copperhaven that their child has Covid & gives permission to share, that information should be given to the other parents How are parents supposed to know to monitor for symptoms if they aren't being informed of cases? All my kids activities share this, why wouldn't school?

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I appreciate SOME of the "gems" teaching there So my child stays engaged and actually wants to go to school. My son had a not so great teacher one year to the point we thought something bad was hap

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Not enough supports for kids struggling with learning

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Concern about lack of snow and ice removal

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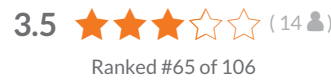


Appreciate the COVID safety measures out in place Teachers/administration doing everything they can to help keep our kids safe even tho some parents choose not too.

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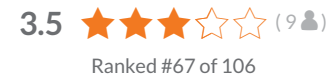
I would appreciate having a garden on site (outdoor classroom), whether some fruit trees/shrubs or veggies. To help children learn about nutrition and the life cycle of plants, compost, etc. Also, to provide an alternative classroom space.



Is the school advocating for itself and the students within the city and city services? Example: sports fields and transportation needs. The school itself may not be responsible for many inadequacies but is the administration lobbying for change or improvements?



Parking lot is not sufficient . Principals as cross guards? Terrible use of space and time.



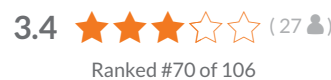
I appreciate the stance Copperhaven has taken regarding COVID. I feel my children's best interests are in mind. Safety of my children



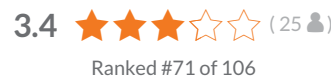
The cross country running club needs a banner or flag. It was very hard to find Cooperhaven at the track meets. It was very crowded with many schools participating.





Concern about implementation of Google classroom (or lack thereof). Students need to actually be taught how to properly use it. Also, teachers need to keep on top of it to make sure it is accurate and complete.



So many classes during a day and only 1/2 hr to 45 for jr high Having so many classes during the day they can't really start to enjoy the class every thing seems rushed thru





The parking and drop off plan and area sucks. Fire that engineering firm and the provincial bureaucrats et al that approved the design. No bussing days; the over eager peace officers looking to fill City coffers on people trying to drop off their kids. Predatory in the name of safety.

3.4  (23 )
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The school has been a representative for "green" alternatives. Living walls, solar energy, waste reduction programs, etc. These are great for the changing times and more attention should be brought to these features along with additional learning opportunities/programs

3.4  (18 )
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There's no community. There aren't pics of the staff or students, principal locks kids and students from accessing the school including teams. Visiting teams locked in foyer pre covid and this year,kids locked outside pre Xmas concert,no trophy cases-dust collector 'psd doesn't allow dances'

3.4  (17 )
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My child has learning disabilities, behaviour issues and mental health struggles. His issues are not simply managed but Supported and Prioritized The staff team has come together to make, adjust and analyze the support and strategies in place for him. Communication is clear, respectful, regular

3.4  (14 )
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The principal can be misunderstood by some but she IS the strongest advocate for every member of her school and her heart is 100% in it for everyone. I understand her passion to be for the students to receive the BEST education from the BEST teachers. I trust my child's education is priority.

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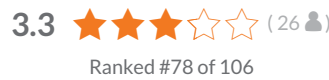


Getting help when needed To access resources or be able to fill out forms as required

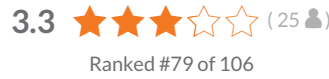
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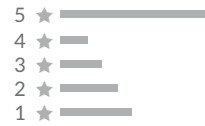
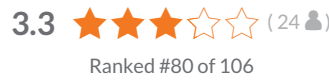
Google classroom is not used to its potential, kids are not clearly taught how to use it. Teachers seem to be struggling to keep up with it, with all the extra work they have had to do.



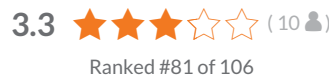
Lack of textbooks being used has created issues, especially if you don't have a printer to print everything off. When ensuring that your child is able to complete all of the required reading, assignments, and homework, most of their day ends up being on screens



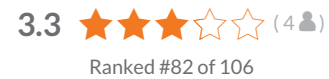
Ice on the school grounds is dangerous and not acceptable. There is nothing for middle school kids to do in the winter = slide or throw snowballs. Students are permitted to slide and play on the ice, including sliding down hills. Have heard numerous stories of injuries.



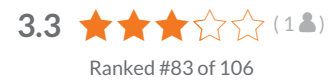
Subsidies For families struggling, subsidies are important in allowing all kids to have equal opportunities



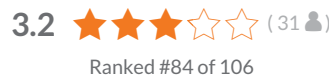
Good teacher communication Increases my understanding of how my child is progressing with learning and adapting socially



Appreciate the support for special needs children I have a special needs child who requires substantial support and it's beneficial to have him in a mainstream classroom



I do not like that there is a restriction on contributing things to the classroom. Those who have the means to help should be allowed to



Lack of school spirit, sense of community, etc I have tried to think of positives with this school but have come up short. A hard transition/move for my child.



The teachers are great. The sense of community is awful. The school energy is that it's a prison And belongs to the school.

Parking sucks. Parking is a huge safety issue. My kids hate going to this school because it feels like a prison and school should be safe and happy, for the kids

3.2  (17 
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Appreciate the K & E program Allowing my child to grow independently and get more confidence

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Basing regulations on politics/convenience and not our students' well being. Our children's safety is paramount

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Ranked #88 of 106



Not being able to watch school sports, parents are not allowed in school, no sense of community. Parents are not able to support their kids or their teachers.

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Ranked #89 of 106



I think twin day is unnecessary and does not support inclusion.

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Ranked #90 of 106



I appreciate the massive effort put in by the school to make drop off and pick up a positive experience and the work they are doing to try and improve If there is a long term problem, at least in the short term while a solution is being created, the team comes together to wave, smile, chat, and help!

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Would like printed report cards Had many problems trying to access the report cards, a printed copy would make it more accessible.

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Ranked #92 of 106



Appreciate the extra Covid measures in place to keep the kids safe! Have 2, soon 3 kids at your school PLUS a ton of my dayhome kids and extra Covid measures means less worry it will transfer here and shut me down.

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It would be helpful if the dismissal time could be pushed back to 3:20 or 3:30. It makes participating in community activities easier which is also important to a child's well-being.

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Re-directing the 40 students currently living in Legacy Park to be sent to schools further away because of 'potential future capacity' is concerning.

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It's an unfortunate situation, but it's the pandemic we live in. I understand how disappointing it is but I believe this is the best we can do

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The land is not owned by the psd

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Concern about the decision not to allow any spectators for sports Overkill!!

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Students that live in the area should having walking buddies to and from school instead of parents driving them and blocking the roadways. Children need exercise and having buddies to walk to school with builds a sense of community.

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Get rid of twin day Creates division within the class, does allow for inclusion. My child was devastated that her twin decided not to do it with her on the day of.

2.8  (14 )
Ranked #100 of 106





The emails are nice. Covid protocols aren't. If they weren't mandated by a law with fines and had reasonable metrics, it would be any other year. being up to date with specifics is nice. And if you dont have a plan to de/re program the kids to make up 2 years lost time, then they're in trouble.

2.7  (26 )
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There is so much wrong with this cold and unwelcoming place, it all starts with principal and many families would be happy to see her redistributed

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The pro segregation or stigmatizing of people is wrong. Just because government tried doesn't mean it was right. Are all the staff ready for going back to normal? Or do we look at home schooling while you deal with staff or council extremist philosophies?

2.6  (22 )
Ranked #104 of 106





I would like to share one of my suggestion ,if teachers give some homework it would be great. Because if that work given from school kids will do..whether it's math or English writting it will help them sure .

2.6  (17 )
Ranked #105 of 106



Regarding home works,my Son don't like much writting but if he got work from school he will do .so anyway it' will benefit for him. How much they practice writting it will improve their handwriting also and writting skill also.

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Ranked #106 of 106

