

Question 10:

The blended learning sounds interesting. Being in the school building has a comforting feel to it for my kids. To see other kids and have that structure.

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Lesson plans ahead of time would be nice and things being posted a day ahead of time if we continue To do FB groups. Maybe some worksheets of some kind.

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We loved the Facebook instructional videos that we could watch on our time. Our schedules aren't always consistent so this worked well for when it worked out for us. Blended learning and once a week zoom meetings are nice too!

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I know that this was an unexpected situation but trying to make home made learning materials for **XXXX** was a little difficult. The videos for the parents were helpful but it would have been nice to have something more focused towards the students.

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I was working full time (plus over time!) from home, and was not able to do any of the **XXXX** learning units with child. But we did every Friday zoom and that was really great! Something we always looked forward to! I won't be able to maneuver **XXXX** child assistance needs for virtual learning only model.

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St. George schools are talking about doing a broken week. One group of students would attend Monday and Tuesday, deep clean on Wednesday and then the other half of the students go on Thursday and Friday. I really hope that we can return to the traditional setting, but if we cannot, the provided packets helped a lot, however we may have benefited from more live zoom meetings because it made it feel more like the teacher was requiring the activities rather than mom and dad.

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Blended learning

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For **XXXX**...for us we needed free reign. I would follow what my kids likes and passions were and go with it. The social piece was the hardest...zoom meetings were not fun. I was so bogged down teaching my eldest, it became too hard to give them both an equal quality education full time from home. Blended would benefit my youngest even more than my eldest.

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I would love a combination. My child and me as the parent, we really want to be back in the classroom at some capacity! I understand the challenges, but feel there could be options for some sort of a school day. Videos and zoom calls were so helpful. Being able to see and be instructed by someone other than their parents was very helpful for our daughters. The packets were good as well. I think variety in the distance learning is very helpful if it has to be done that way!

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instructional packets would be great; difficult to do all on-line

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It is (as was) crazy to think about virtual instruction at the **XXXX** level. I thought what was provided was great for a temporary solution. Going forth, I would suggest thinking about putting together learning kits for families to use that include a variety of materials (sensory, open art opportunities, pre-math manipulatives, STREAM activities with materials, etc.) I would also suggest that if virtual "instruction" is necessary, that the live sessions be limited to 3-4 students at a time to allow space for interaction.

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If its truly traditional we will bring our kids back to MCS

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**XXXX** did a fantastic job of creating interactive videos for us to view. She offered multiple suggestions with each video to do hands-on learning activities related to the concepts. She also was able to share many options to adjust the activity to the learning level of my student. It was wonderful!

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CURRENT

We appreciated the lesson plans from the home room teacher for each day of the week as that was very helpful. Expectations and lesson plans from other teachers such as science, music weren't very clear. Communication and lesson plans are critical for each teacher. When assigning lessons from a website include the website link in the email or document to minimize the time trying to find which website it might be at. When both parents are attempting to work remotely at home it can be challenging to provide the time and attention to the child for learning. We are very concerned they're not at the learning level they need to be.

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CURRENT

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I will be working so I may be unable to keep up with the curriculum. Once I went back to work May 4th, we didn't have enough time to do a lot of the school work. It would be a heavy financial burden to pay for tuition and someone to be with my kids while my husband and I work. Our computer isn't the greatest so we would need to update that. I would be ok with an extended fall or winter break if Covid cases reappear but hopefully school can look relatively normal in August!

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It was great

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I would love blended learning where my child would be in the classroom half the time and at home with distance learning half the time.

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I'm open and flexible to whatever you feel is best for the kids, but I really hope the rumors about masks and staying in one class all day are not true. That sounds like torture for everyone.

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I really did not like the online learning because I work FT. I would probably need to find a tutor or another option as I don't feel my daughter received enough instruction from me.

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Instructional videos from the teachers would have been nice.

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we have concerns about kids being in large groups, and we worry about all school mass. we are concerned about how afterschool programs will work with kids scattering and comingling with kids from other schools. we would like everyone wearing masks in MCS. A combination of online and in person classes might be a good idea. we hope there will be flexibility for families with increased risk factors to keep them safe.

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CURRENT

Distance learning packets and blended learning would be great. Releasing schedules in the weekend would also be very helpful for working parents trying to organize a learning schedule for the week on the weekend. Video or recorded zoom sessions for teacher instruction would also be very helpful as the children defiantly respond different to their teacher than their parents or grandparents conducting the learning.

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If school cannot start with the traditional setting, our family would prefer blended learning or distance learning. If all online, we would prefer classes/meetings be held 2-3 times per week or less.

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I enjoy having my son learn on IXL and ReadingIQ. Sometimes the other websites provided did not function properly and became a frustration rather than a fun time for learning.

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My hope is that you're able to provide full classroom learning with social distancing measures

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The instructional packets were great from **XXXX**. I also liked her YouTube videos to help explain things. An idea next year might be online Zoom learning sessions for those that would like to partake. I know not everyone would be available at certain times, but those that want to take advantage of live learning as if they were in the classroom might benefit.

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Blended learning. More Zoom or the like education if we are quarantined again. More “hands on” learning modules included in take home work. A tablet or the like for each child.

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Please understand the challenges with working parents, and ability for young children to be self directed. Hoping we won't need to have distance learning next school year!

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While I hope we can return to a traditional setting, we did appreciate the flexibility that the current distance learning allowed. For someone who works at home, it can be difficult to sit down at certain times so the flexibility was nice.

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**XXXX** worked very hard to keep the kids engaged with letters, videos, zoom calls, and activities. Without her efforts, I'm not sure my child would have been as motivated. I'm very grateful for her time - it held my child accountable to someone other than me. If we move forward with distance learning again, i hope to have a similar experience. It will be hard to start a new school year with new teachers and not be in the class. We appreciate all the work you're doing to make this a healthy experience- physically and emotionally!

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Still being able to check in face to face with teachers at least once during the week.

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I am looking forward to resuming school in the traditional setting. I think it is prudent to continue to monitor the situation with COVID-19 as it develops, but it does not seem unreasonable or unsafe at this time to resume traditional instruction. High risk individuals associated with the school must continue to be vigilant either way and we can adapt our cleanliness practices to support this. In the event of a suspected COVID-19 case at the school after instruction has resumed, it is reasonable to review contact tracing and perform testing to contain any spread. Strong lines of communication from administration will be key, especially for high risk individuals, so that proper precautions are maintained/enhanced based on the current level of risk. If infection rates in the MCS community reach a critical level, I still maintain that in-person instruction is very vital. Revising attendance at school to reduce the group sizes can aid in limiting exposure while keeping the invaluable face to face time for instruction. Doing a split schedule based on last name, or some other even divide, i.e. A thru L attends in person on Mon/Wed and M thru Z attends Tues/Thurs is one viable way to accommodate this. There are, no doubt, a lot of moving parts on this and it is going to be hard and different and "not what I was trained to do", but we are a school of choice - people choose to be here because we do it differently. We have many talented educators and administrators and parents who are committed to creative pursuit of excellence in academic and character education. Let this challenge be just another opportunity to demonstrate it!

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My feedback is to think of the working parents. I've seen a lot of stuff about going half days. Figuring out drop off and pick up on 5 half days instead of 3 full days is way more difficult for folks who are working. I think Catholics in general lean towards supporting the old school model of mom being home and available at all times - it's just not like that anymore. I am fine with some form of blended learning, but just know that working parents can't always spend 3 hours with their kids during the work day to learn "new Math" or get them set up on a series of zoom calls.

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Definitely blended learning

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CURRENT

Blended learning having live classes that cover at least 45 to 1 hr block might just give the students the basic input to work on the assignments. Maybe a 15 min video for each individual assignment topic. Then the Student Works on the assignment and then the teacher makes a live class going over the students work having students participate and clear doubts. Applied to all classes including art and P.E. How it was handled, I spent double the time explaining and finding the videos or reading the PDFs to my son, additionally I didn't really perceive much input or effort from **XXXX** or **XXXX**. to continue their classes.

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It would be helpful to have a consistent learning plan/platform that the school adopts. I know this is challenging, due to the age span of learners. It would be helpful to have a specific platform for K-3 and then one for 4-8. In order to manage the learning for my three kids, we needed to have 7 apps and three platforms to accomplish everything.

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It was very difficult experience for us. It was very hard for me to work from home and be able to spend the time my child required to get her work done. It was a struggle every single day to get just the bare minimum of work accomplished for the day. It was very hard and I'm worried my child won't be very prepared for **XXXX** grade. All instruction, information, packets, books sent home were great and easy to understand; the change in everything really threw my child for a huge loop and she could never really move past the fact that it wasn't summer yet and we still had lots of school work to get done each day and week. Really hoping to not have to do that again. hahahaha  
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Initially, I felt the amount of work was too much. It was definitely more than 60 minutes. Reasons it took more could be parent/child relationship, child or workload. In hindsight, I realized that the work helped us get in a groove of being productive and focusing on something other than the doom and gloom. I appreciate that we could do more if we wanted. I appreciated all of the online resources but also combining the handwritten work. I appreciated the fun activities and social aspect of SeeSaw and Zoom. Also, I've heard how USD 383 just included packets with not much follow up at all. I would not like this. I want to be accountable. I want work turned in to a teacher to grade, review, make comments, etc. Otherwise, it seems like we are truly on our own and could be missing important steps of the learning process. Honestly, with proper communication and direction, we could continue at home no problem. If it comes down to asking for volunteers to go to full online learning to free up space in the classroom for those who cannot, we would volunteer.

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CURRENT

If we can't start with traditional learning, the blended learning sounds interesting. I know we missed being in the school and socializing with friends. If there could be days we could do things in the school building itself, that would be helpful/fun!

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CURRENT

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If school can't start in the traditional setting... God help us...

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It was a great experience

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CURRENT

Assignments need to be presented in one format and all in one place. They also should not be changed mid week. I would recommend releasing assignments for the week on the weekend before so family can prepare assignments for the week. The volume of work was also excessive. I would recommend creating assignments that are required and fall in the age appropriate time of work recommended then optional assignments to help students and parents focus on meeting required goals but also have optional assignments to work on if families have time.

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CURRENT

Blended would at least be nice. Not be strict on PE and music and Art when at home. Learning new concepts and explanations would be nice inside the school, also more religion inside school....if blended. The language arts online resource was confusing to use. Allow flexibility on subject matter if writing on a certain topic is too difficult...what the kid likes...have more choices for the kids on subject content. Allow an online tutor session with teacher if parent is struggling to teach a topic to child...1 on 1. Multiple kids won't work....we have tried that.

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CURRENT

Teachers need to provide instructional videos weekly. New math skills were introduced during the last few weeks of school & parents were expected to teach those skills. Not that I'm not capable of teaching **XXXX** grade math skills, but the instruction should have come from the teacher.

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CURRENT

Mixed in person and online might be good, or all distance learning. If we are in person, we'd like everyone to be wearing masks, and we would like to see all school masses split up so there are only small groups in church at a time. If we continue with distance learning, some feedback from last semester: The actual assignments were fine and reasonable. The zoom times were too long and the kids were too antsy. I think the zoom should be used to teach a quick lesson and be no more than 30min. More frequent is fine as long as they are short and teaching the kids something. Zoom lessons should not be held on friday evenings when the work week is over. We were frustrated with seesaw and the various different online programs. We spent way too much time repeating the same exercises because they didn't register as being submitted or we couldn't figure out what was not complete about them. Having a specific video and assignment from the "specials" teachers would be more helpful than a list of things they could do, because kids don't respond well to "you could do this if you want".

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CURRENT



The communication tools used were effective. There was more of required commitment on our part (as can be expected) to guide our child in the daily instruction. This was doable because we had one parent at home, yet working full time. I thought the continuous learning plan was very organized. Going forward, I would suggest with this age group to have more live zoom time with smaller groups of children at a time (3-4). It was a bit overwhelming for my child to participate with multiple children wanting to all talk at the same time. Obviously, this was to be expected as they all were missing the social interaction, which is imperative at this age for learning. In a blended learning environment, I would suggest having core instruction within live zoom sessions and using the traditional setting for hands on, interactive learning and socialization.

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I added quite a bit of comments and questions in my **XXXX** survey. I think maybe I would be open to "office hours" that kids could sign up to meet with their teachers for additional one on one time if we were in a distance setting. Zoom would be fine. Interested in the changes in the academic calendar ( if any) with KSU moving up the end of the semester a week early. Will that impact MCS? MCS is a great school and I am so glad to be part of this school. Thank you for all you are doing.

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CURRENT

It is very hard for my child to do distance learning. If it comes to it I think a combination of traditional and distance would be best. There are many more distractions at home (younger siblings and pets) and more time spent fighting about needing to do the work than actual work that needs completed.

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CURRENT

Blended learning would be great having small signed up hours at school with online learning. More zoom meetings that include instruction. Hands on material or assignments are helpful too so we aren't always on the computer.

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CURRENT

My child and I would benefit from instructional packets. I think our biggest struggle was the online programs which was mostly user error (on my part) and slow internet/connection or the program itself being slow (especially IXL)

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Assignments could have more educational value for **XXXX** grade. Lesson plans for each day of the week should be required and instructional packets would be very helpful. When both parents are attempting to work remotely at home it can be challenging to provide the time and attention to the child for learning. We are very concerned they're not at the learning level they need to be.

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**XXXX** was outstanding in providing a fun learning environment for **XXXX** through SeeSaw. Also, she opened up other online options (IXL, Spell city, typing etc), so I could give Cormac extra work as I saw fit.  
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CURRENT

Online learning is not a good option for my child. She needs to be in a classroom with her teacher where she can experience professional teaching and not screen time. I understand we had a pandemic that made it impossible to continue traditional learning but I hope the online learning is a thing only for extreme measures. I believe in the power of our (MCS) wonderful and knowledgeable teachers. Leave online learning for older students. Thank you.

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CURRENT

Tuition should be cut in half due to students not physically being there! I love supporting MCS but if my kiddo is not there physically I have a hard time paying tuition when I am the main one teaching.

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I appreciated the teachers that had flexibility in the schedule instead of scheduled times to meet so we could work around our schedules at home better.

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There were A LOT of different google classrooms for **XXXX** to check each day. I would have liked some of them to be condensed to at most 5 google classes. We missed a few things because of the excess of classes to check.

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Keep classes in one classroom during the day - music, art teachers, etc come to them - therefore if one kid gets sick it is easier to track contacts. Eating lunch in classrooms. Masking when outside of the classrooms. Recess/PE outside with only one class at a time.

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CURRENT

I would recommend having the teachers come up with more engaging projects that the kids can do at home, that can tie into more than one objective per class, or more than one class (interdisciplinary). Projects can have various deliverables during the timeline that the kids are working on them, so they can submit proof of their learning to the teachers, and the teachers can assess the kids' learning as the project progresses, without distance learning turning into a tedious process of "read and answer questions." Many of the work for distance learning for this past round was that. The "teaching" was composed of the students reading from the textbook, and the assessment of learning was a set of questions. That may get the right answers for the short run, but does not result in long term learning on the students' part. Learning needs to be more dynamic and hands-on, regardless of whether it's face-to-face or distance, or blended.

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It will be extremely hard for working parents to do drop off and pick up if it's staggered times, multiple days for different children.

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**Blended**

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CURRENT

I felt that busy work was assigned and too much of it. I really feel that the zoom sessions could have been used for instruction and should be in the future if online learning is to take place. I also feel that students need to continue to use handwriting skills. I also feel teachers should have communicated with each other on the amount of work assigned and the amount of time students were spending on the assignments.

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CURRENT

Less math assignments and less math games. They took way too long.

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CURRENT

I thought the way that the teachers had the distance learning set up was very good. They were amazing. Maybe if there was an option for a blended environment then students could get instructions in classes they struggle in? For example maybe math is an area that my daughter would need additional help, but she could do her religion work at home, maybe that could work. I understand that is a lot of coordinating. One thing that I worry about is that my job slowed down In the spring so much that I could help the kids. I am not sure that will be my story in the fall. Sounds like KSU will be open and I will need to be at work. This worries me with the kids needing help if MCS was not able to be open. Maybe more one on one time with teachers could be an option? Will MCS look at the model KSU is using with a longer winter break? Thank you for all you are doing. I know it is stressful. You are doing great and I am so glad to be at MCS.  
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CURRENT

We would prefer as much in school learning as possible. But a combination of traditional and online would be doable. I fear we will lose additional students if we continue with online learning. Additionally, for **XXXX** grade the only subject I didn't feel like goals were met was **XXXX**. We started with a packet of 50 worksheets that needed to be completed by school end and then went down to 4. I fear that the intended learning for the year was not met and this class will be behind in that subject. Overall, we could not be more happy with our online learning experience. For the most part all teachers went above and beyond the call of duty to communicate, teach and guide all of us, students and parents, thru this unprecedented time. We are very thankful once again our kids attend MCS.

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CURRENT

When there are multiple teachers for one student, there must be better coordination. Each teacher was able to provide communication differently and assign work at different times which caused a lot of confusion. Additionally, the quality of the work suffered greatly from one teacher to the next. Some teachers provided Pre-recorded lessons or zoom Lessons while others just directed them to YouTube for lessons. Personally, I could skip the tuition and direct them to YouTube myself. If we are going to a distance learning model in the new year, I would expect teachers are more prepared to give actual lessons prior to assignments.

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CURRENT

Blended learning, adding more faith based learning, computer skills and Art

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CURRENT

As stated in our **XXXX** comment—the spring Covid learning was stop gap. We need to ensure the materiel sent home with students can explain material if not covered by the teacher. Often times our child self taught himself to get ahead in math but we didn't have a math book just ixls and we did our best to explain problems. We were happy **XXXX** grade finished their **XXXX** project always a favorite. Open to small group and online learning if necessary. Thanks

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Verify parents email so they are receiving updates from all relevant sources. Band instruction needs more interaction with the instructor.

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We had a bumpy start with online learning adapting to the approach. Ended up loving the technology platforms for submitting work and quick grading. (Gone was the stress of no name papers or lost papers!!). Would have benefited more if there had been live zoom learning session in **XXXX**. And even something for a socialization connection during the traumatic time to help with peer to peer coping. Blending learning could work for the older grades! Or even alternating weekdays. Working full time it may better to alternate full days rather than half days.

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CURRENT

Blended learning would be better than only online learning so that they can interact with their classmates. They did this via Zoom often but in person is always better. I hope that the school year is able to resume back to normal in August though since I am back at work and it seemed as though the kids really needed my assistance with assignments and navigating Zoom and Google Classroom.

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CURRENT

There were so many gaps in what got turned in and what didn't get turned in and it was very frustrating for our child and us. Email was the only contact I had with the teacher and it was frustrating not being able to ask questions and get responses in a timely fashion.

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CURRENT

If in person classes are not possible blended classes are probably the best option. One comment we have is regarding teacher communication during Zoom classes. Communication between students and the teacher was mostly with students who were most vocal. The teacher should make it a point to interact with ALL students especially those that are known to be quiet in class. This should not be difficult to achieve as the class size is small. Another suggestion is to have Zoom meetings with parents if instruction is online.

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I would prefer a blending learning option over distance learning.

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I do not feel we should be paying full tuition for half of the quality of education

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The agenda needs more rigor in the education taught. What we did this past spring was never intended to be a full time learning platform rather a stop gap measure. If this is the new norm starting in the fall more learning communication between student and teacher is necessary similar to online college course with classroom video instruction versus zoom conversation. Additionally more structured communication either verbal or a regular report between parents and teachers. A hybrid of teaching which may include small group to comply with social distance and video class learning would be acceptable. Key is meeting state required curriculum so student don't fall behind during this time.

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I would suggest that you reach out to each family and verify at which email each parent would like to receive communications from MCS. In addition, it's my opinion that **XXXX** instruction needs more interaction with the instructor, not just turning in videos, and more guidance on what type of practice is expected.

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CURRENT

Traditional is ideal, but if not able to proceed with this approach, blended learning would be best if it can be done safely. If not, proceed with distance learning.

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CURRENT

Our student didn't love the online learning. We would hope for more rigor if online is required next fall. A blend of zoom/online instruction with instructional packets might be a better approach. Who knows! This is so new to all of us, and we appreciate all of the work that you all did and will continue to do.

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I would suggest that if it is necessary to provide remote instruction that an emphasis is put on "live" virtual instruction. Peer interaction is very important to us. Zoom has the capability through breakout rooms to host small group work. I believe the core teaching that was done via zoom (live) was effective and I would suggest that if we need to do a blended learning experience that core courses would remain via zoom and then have "specials" meet with smaller groups in a traditional setting. As times goes on, it is going to be crucial to focus on social interactions between both peers and with their teachers.

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CURRENT

If online learning takes place, better expectations given to students would be appreciated. Also, if online learning is happening again, I really feel that if teachers are being paid then they can teach the subject through videos or zoom as most of the **XXXX** teachers did. I would appreciate some assignments requiring students to hand write assignments and I feel this is a skill that needs to continue in life.

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We would appreciate as much traditional school time as possible. Online is doable but I don't feel like it's as good as in class instruction. For **XXXX** grade I thought all the teachers did a fantastic job of communicating with the kids. We are very lucky we already used Google classroom to have a platform already in place for the transition. We are very thankful our kids attend MCS and have such caring teachers. They went above and beyond communicating with the both students and parents to continue to guide them through the remainder of the year.

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Traditional and online.....but I prefer that school be in session. I don't like the idea that my kids would be learning from home again.

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I think **XXXX** class teachers would do more. Specifically, the **XXXX** classes. I think you could still do distance learning while teaching things like art, music, PE, etc..

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CURRENT

Blended learning would be better than only online learning so that they can interact with their classmates. They did this via Zoom often but in person is always better. I hope that the school year is able to resume back to normal in August though since I am back at work and it seemed as though the kids really needed my assistance with assignments and navigating Zoom and Google Classroom.

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As a smaller private school we would have appreciated a faster pace with more extensive lessons. It will be a difficult decision to still pay for a private school education next semester or year if the quality and pace of the schoolwork is not improved. If we are going to mirror the pace and expectations of the larger classes at USD383 it makes spending thousands of dollars seem less attractive. We as parents, along with our student, felt much more could have been expected of the students and a semester or year of the same is not acceptable, at least to us.

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I think I'd prefer blended learning. But please don't force the kids to wear masks when they return.

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CURRENT

I realize that the online curriculum was thrown together last minute in effort to provide something. I would expect more actual lessons, assignments, review and then TESTING to ensure understanding. I was disappointed in XXXX education. I would expect more if distance learning continues in the fall. When I asked my kids how distance learning was for them, they said they didn't learn much and it was easy.

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I felt that a set time/day for zoom was needed. Part of the teachers accomplished that part did not. My child missed two zoom classes in one topic because he hadn't checked his google classroom that morning. The time had changed. If felt inconsistent. My kid is at fault for not checking his email 4 times a day to look for changes. Once lunch time hit, he hardly did anything school related.

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CURRENT

Blended learning could work. We were very disappointed with the quantity and quality of at-home work provided, especially in XXXX. An XXXX Yikes. We feel like our XXXX lost a quarter of knowledge/instruction, and that students were not held accountable through assessments for very much learning. In our household, XXXX lessons were well-received but assessment was not significant; XXXX were OK but more would be welcomed and it was difficult to obtain a response if something was not understood; XXXX discussions were well-received but not assessed; and really, no learning occurred through XXXX, which was a huge disappointment. The bar was very low across the board. We recognize that these perceptions would be different if our student had required academic support or urging from parents, which they did not. We recognize that it was a difficult situation for everyone, including the teachers, and pray that we will all weather this COVID-19 storm more resilient and creative for it.

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Kids should be in school learning

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