

Parental Survey 2006

Every other year the school hires an independent agency to conduct a survey of parents' attitudes. In the summer of 2006, 500 questionnaires were sent to families of Year 9, 10, 11 and 13 students and 96 replies were received.

The results are very positive: 80% of respondents gave the school an overall approval rating which is very high (70% is considered good). 30% of families who have students in Years 10, 11 and 13 think the school had improved in 2005/6 compared to 2% who think it got worse. 16% of families with students in Year 9 think the school has exceeded expectations compared to 8% who think it has not met expectations.

Parents' top priority for improvement is careers guidance while they rate control of bullying, choice of subjects and relationships with teachers most highly.

The report says:

'The survey results reveal that the school has reason to be happy with most of its activities.

Many of the parent comments were very positive and many of the negative comments were qualified in light of the parents' overall satisfaction with the school.

The parents were enthusiastic in the number of comments that they made and the comments were diverse in their nature.

Many of the parents who commented said how happy and confident their children had been since starting at Queen Elizabeth High School.'

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