**Patron Survey**

As a school we are interested in receiving input from parents. We believe the home is the primary institution for educating a child, and that the school has been delegated this responsibility while the child is here at school. Please take some time to fill out this survey as a helpful tool for the school to evaluate the job that we are doing.

***Please read the mission statement below and respond to the statements by circling one response in each row.***

Our mission statement reads as follows: “Shalom Mennonite School offers to its students a quality, K-8, Christian education with an Anabaptist perspective in a warm, friendly atmosphere. It seeks to assist parents in their God-given responsibility of teaching their children and to train young people for living lives of service to God under the lordship of Jesus Christ and the authority of the Scriptures.”

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| Shalom offers a quality education with an Anabaptist perspective. | Poor Fair Good Excellent |
| Shalom’s atmosphere is warm and friendly. | Poor Fair Good Excellent |
| Shalom assists me in teaching my children to live a life of service to God.  | Poor Fair Good Excellent |
| If you have further comments about the three previous questions, please write them below: |
| Please respond to the following questions concerning the daily function of school.  |
| I know what is happening with my child at school because the school communicates it to me very well.  | Poor Fair Good Excellent |
| The school is meeting the academic expectations that I have for my child.  | Poor Fair Good Excellent |
| The school promotes the development of strong Christ-like character.  | Poor Fair Good Excellent |
| My student generally finds school to be very enjoyable. | Poor Fair Good Excellent |
| My overall evaluation of the education my child is receiving at SMS is… | Poor Fair Good Excellent |
| If you have further comments about the five previous questions, please write them below: |

***Please read the following questions, and record any thoughts in the blank spaces. (response not needed to every question).***

What would you like your student(s) to learn in school? What do you want them to know? Which skills would you like them to have when they graduate? What attitudes and values do you want them to develop during school? How is school influencing your children?

**Knowledge and skills: things they know or can do** [math facts, art, handwriting, public speaking, good writing skills, mental math, sight singing, keyboarding, computer knowledge...]

-subjects/skills you want us to continue to emphasize:

-subjects/skills you wish were taught or emphasized more:

**Attitudes/influences**

-attitudes that you notice are caught: (humility, arrogance, respect for elderly, selfishness, rebellion, submission, helpfulness etc.)

-attitudes that you believe are taught well:

-attitudes that you believe could be taught better:

-influences your child receives at school (in what ways are your students influenced by teachers, peers, or curriculum)…my daughter comes home insisting on Kellogg’s corn flakes because her best friend likes them…my son thinks he needs to keep his shoes laces untied because all his friends do…my child read a book his fellow student recommended in a report

-From teachers

-From peers

-From curriculum

 We want to thank you for the part that you play in making school a success. We are always looking for ways to create a better school experience for your students, so we welcome your input into school life at any time.