



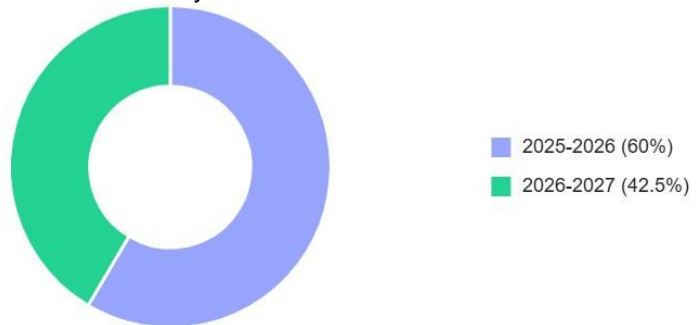
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## Cranston Kindergarten Format Considerations Online Survey Results December 17, 2024

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents/guardians of our future Kindergarten children for completing our recent engagement survey. We have taken your feedback into consideration and a decision has been made to offer half day kindergarten only for the upcoming school year.

Below you will find a breakdown of the respondents and all comments provided in the survey as they were written. Comments have not been edited for spelling, grammar, sentence structure, truncation or otherwise. Comments have been edited to ensure anonymity.

- Please indicate whether your child will be starting Kindergarten in the
- 2025-26 or 2026-27 school year



ANSWER OPTION	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
2025-2026	24	60%
2026-2027	17	42.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>41</b>	

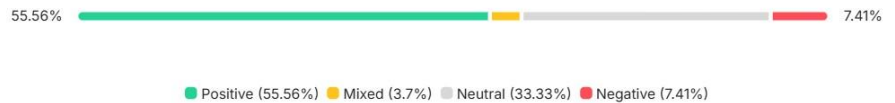


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- For your family, what are the opportunities you see as we implement this change?

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#### Sentiment Analysis



- My son is already doing the half day classes and it works well for him.
- Better and hopefully faster adaptation for the children to a school routine
- Half day classes are more beneficial and teachers will be able to give outermost attention.
- We were really relying on the full day classes, this will make it very hard for my family.
- Consistent routines, ability for students to participate in all school events, repeated exposure to curriculum content.
- More consistent
- Similar schedule to our Son currently in kindergarten.
- More consistently in scheduling and exposure to routine and learning opportunities
- Not overwhelming the kids
- More conformity between kindergarten classes.
- No changes, our oldest daughter attended half day classes
- Our oldest child currently attends half day classes and the schedule for before and after care is easy to accommodate
- A consistent schedule for my child
- This will allow my daughter to have daily naps in the afternoon
- More parking
- I preferred full day kindergarten, as that's what we had in BC for our first born. Academically I believe that is best. When we chose full days 2 years ago for our 2nd born, and we also wanted after school care, it was automatically chosen that they went to afternoons or mornings. You couldn't even do full day childcare with before, and after school care we didn't realize that. If they don't offer full days, then it will work out with the before and after school care either way potentially or just for the afternoons again.
- More consistency
- I was really hoping to have him in full days.
- Not any
- Routine
- Having a more consistent schedule for a child
- A better routine for my child.



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- For your family, what are the challenges you see as we implement this change?

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#### Sentiment Analysis

17.86%  39.29% 

Positive (17.86%) Mixed (0%) Neutral (42.86%) Negative (39.29%)

- Reducing the kindergarten classes, which would result in several children having to go to a school farther away
- None
- No challenges.
- We have a son there, we both work fulltime cannot leave multiple times a day. This is very discouraging.
- Finding half day child care.
- Will it affect the number of kids that are able to attend?
- None. We fully support this change.
- Multiple times having to do pick up and drop off with having a child in older grade
- Childcare
- None.
- Too much back and forth driving, not enough exposure to full day school, already do half day preschool so it's more of a shock going into grade one, child care needs now more/ more complicated, having to pay half day child care every day instead of only 2/3 days a week depending on rotating Fridays. Attending with older sibling causes 3 trips to school every day
- Making sure we get morning kindergarten
- None
- Before/After School care
- No change here for us as we are used to it with our second born
- None
- I think this will overcrowd the juvenesse program for all families and unfortunately for me will make me have to do 2 school pickups per day as I will have one daughter in Grade 2 and then my son in kindergarten.
- My children attend Grow & Learn daycare. I hope they can facilitate this change.
- The change to moving to half day classes will create challenges for both working parents (+having other kids in grade 1 or above) For instance...Parents need to do extra adjustment to pick up KG child at half day then again come to pickup other kid. Specially for the Parents who have only one car, this will lead extra cost of Taxi or public transport + obviously more time as they need to come to either pick up or drop KG child. Moreover, this will lead extra cost for parents to put both kids at after schoolcare. So As per my perspective, few classes of full day works best for parents + other parents still have choice of sending their kids to halfday if they decide to do then. Really appreciate for taking our feedback on this. Thanks
- None
- Going to half days will be challenging for the parents with regard to work schedules



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- Not having full days will be hard for us as we have full time jobs. Picking up and dropping off will be a challenge.
- Uncertainty of getting admission into Juvenescence. Negative impact on work schedules.
- No challenges
- We don't see any

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