



## Activation Card

As parents, we send our children to school to make sure that they have a bright future. We see education as a gateway to success; to reach their full potential children need to develop in a holistic manner.

The Parent Power activation card is a tool to understand overall parental experience at your child's school. It focuses on five domains that we believe contribute substantially to a quality experience of education in a school.

## Domains

- **Happiness of child at school**
- **Safety of child at school**
- **Confidence in principals**
- **Knowledge of school**
- **Parent power**

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### Domain 1

## Happiness of my child at school

Happiness and positivity can make a huge difference to your child's wellbeing and achievement at school. This section asks you to think about the school based on how your child feels about the school, and the learning environment.

Please circle the letter that best suites the statement

My child enjoys going to school  a  b  c  d

My child is eager & enthusiastic about learning at school  a  b  c  d

My child understands homework assignments given to them  a  b  c  d

My child likes and respects their teachers at the school  a  b  c  d

My child gets along with other learners at the school  a  b  c  d

Strongly disagree   Disagree   Agree   Strongly Agree

### Domain 2

## Safety of my child at school

When you send your child to school, you are entrusting the school with their care and development. This section asks about the extent to which you feel your child in a safe environment that is conducive for learning.

Please circle the letter that best suites the statement

My child is safe at their school  a  b  c  d

Misbehaviour or bullying is a problem at my child's school  a  b  c  d

Drugs and alcohol are a problem at my child's school  a  b  c  d

The principal does their best to make sure the school is safe  a  b  c  d

Strongly disagree   Disagree   Agree   Strongly Agree

### Domain 3

## My confidence in the school principal and staff

It is important to feel confident with the school your child attends and the quality of education your child receives. This section gives you the opportunity to think about how confident you are in the school leadership and teachers of your child's school.

Please circle the letter that best suites the statement

The school principal can be trusted to do their job  a  b  c  d

The principal communicates well with parents  a  b  c  d

The principal's main aim is for the learners to do well at school  a  b  c  d

Strongly disagree   Disagree   Agree   Strongly Agree

### Domain 4

## My knowledge of the school

Having knowledge of the school your child attends guides you in understanding the quality of education your child receives. This section is an opportunity to reflect on what you know about the school and the potential areas you may need to get further information on.

Please circle the letter that best suites the statement

I know about the overall performance of my child's grade  a  b  c  d

I do attend the Annual General Meetings at my child's school  a  b  c  d

I know about the absenteeism of learners at the school  a  b  c  d

I know about the quality of teachers at my child's school  a  b  c  d

Strongly disagree   Disagree   Agree   Strongly Agree

### Domain 5

## My parent power

Parents must have the power to ensure that their children experience high quality education. This section allows you to engage with whether you feel powerful in your engagement with your child's school, and able to represent their interests fully.

Please circle the letter that best suites the statement

The teachers at my child's school listen to the concerns of parents  a  b  c  d

The teachers at my child's school show respect towards parents  a  b  c  d

The principal treats all parents fairly  a  b  c  d

The principal makes me feel welcome in the school  a  b  c  d

Strongly disagree   Disagree   Agree   Strongly Agree