Hawley Public Schools Focus Group Community Input

(April 2, 2019)

Strengths:

Teachers (5) Community Support (5) Facilities (4) BASE Program (3) Opportunities / Programs for Students K-12 (2) Safety / Secure (2) Full-Time Nurse (1) Budgeting /Fiscally Responsible (1) Community Ed. / Summer Rec. Offerings (1) **Counselor Support** Students are Well Prepared for the Next Step **AR** Program Bussing – On Time / Reliable Elementary Teacher-to-Parent Communications is Good - JMC PBIS Updated Facebook Page Student Support / Services School Based Mental Health

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Areas for Improvement:

Follow Up to Focus Group Meetings – Hold More Than 1/Year (8)

Facilities Calendar – When are Facilities Open? (3)

Community Engagement (3)

Website (2)

- Calendar Option
- Month View
- Not Device Friendly

Food Safety – Allergies [Follow District Policy] (2)

Mental Health Support – Open Conversation (2)

Meeting Agendas/Minutes – Posted & Left Up For a Time (2)

Technology – Consistent K-6 (1)

New Programs

- Competitive Robotics 7-12
- Programs for Enrichment of Those High Flyers (1)

Elementary Drop Off

- Nugget Blvd.
- 9th St. & Reno St.

Elementary Entrance – Security

Elementary School Survey Results

(130 total responses with the average out of 10 listed)

- Q1 Overall Satisfaction: 7.58
- Q2 Elementary Drop Off: 5.67
- Q3 Class/Section Size: 7.73
- Q4 Classroom Communication to Parents: 7.81
- Q5 Intervention Programs (Remediation to Extension): 6.48
- Q6 Transportation/Busing: 6.74
- Q7 BASE/FITS: 6.85
- Q8 Social Media Presence: 5.90

Comments: (54 total comments)

- -Tech in Classes Lacking
- -Extend In-Town Busing (5 responses)
- -More Secure Elementary Entrance
- -Drop off Muddy
- -Pave New Drop Off Area (5 responses)
- -Different Drop Off Options (3 responses)
- -More Ways to Challenge Students (6 responses)
- -E Learning Days (3 responses)
- -Preschool Busing
- -Length of Bus Rides Too Long (2)
- -Elementary Student Access to Social Media During the School Day
- -More Adults Outside
- -More Posting on Social Media from Elementary, Like Pictures and Updates

High School Survey Results

(91 total responses with the average out of 10 listed)

- Q1 Overall Satisfaction: 7.81
- Q2 Course Offerings: 7.78
- Q3 College/Career Readiness: 7.41
- Q4 Communication of Staff to Parents: 6.75
- Q5 Activity Payments/School Store Payments: 7.42
- Q6 Transportation: 7.32
- Q7 HS Social Media Presence: 6.49
- Q8 Athletic Offerings: 7.27
- Q9 Co-Curricular Non Athletic: 7.56
- Q10 Vocational Offerings: 7.25

<u>Comments</u>: (26 responded) -Implement Spring Break

-Poor Website to Navigate

- -More Vocational Classes and Trade Program Information and Offerings
- -Don't Know About Non-Athletic Offerings
- -One-to-One Computers
- -Information Relayed Home too, Not Just Through the Students
- -7-9 Counselor Newsletter, Only 10-12 Now
- -More Communication Home Regarding Picking Classes for Next Year
- -High Workload With No Study Hall
- -Non Weighted GPA (2 responses)
- -Two Different Things to Check Lunch Balance and Don't Always Match Up
- -More Mental Health Services
- -Need to Know More of What Courses Will Transfer to Which Colleges
- -Post Tests, Lesson Plans, and Syllabus Online More Often
- -Non Consistent Grading Scale
- -Online Math Teacher Accessibility
- -Add Robotics