Question Overview

SD8 (Kootenay Lake) Input for 2014-2015 Budget - In what role are you participating in this Thoughtstream?

Q1: For you, what are the priorities you think of when you consider a K-12 Public Education System? Please list up to 4 of your TOP priorities. (Some examples may be student learning, literacy, facilities, professional knowledge of staff, etc.).

Started: 12 Feb 2014 Ended: 3 Mar 2014

Participation summary

Demographic	Participants	Thoughts	Participants	Priorities
Trustee	1	4 thoughts	3	135 stars
SD8 Staff Member	59	179 thoughts	62	2064 stars
Parent	78	231 thoughts	96	2919 stars
Interested Member of the Community	3	9 thoughts	3	81 stars
other	1	2 thoughts	6	45 stars
Participated		49 % (142)		53 % (155)
Opted out		1 % (4)		5 % (16)
No participation		49 % (143)		40 % (118)

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Thought Cloud



Priorities Cloud



Priorities Summary

Overall rating - total number of stars assigned to that group of thoughts

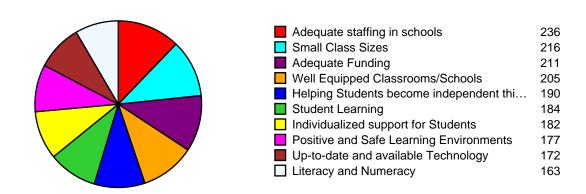
Participant count - the number of people that assigned stars to that group of thoughts

Average rating - the average number of stars that was given to that group of thoughts. The overall rating divided by the participant count. Average Rating can indicate a small number of people are passionate about a particular subject. You will often see a group of thoughts with a higher average rating than a group higher in the list. This can indicate that the people that did add stars to that group felt it was very important.

Priorities Summary - all

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Adequate staffing in schools	236	102	2.31
Small Class Sizes	216	94	2.30
Adequate Funding	211	87	2.43
Well Equipped Classrooms/Schools	205	91	2.25
Helping Students become independent thinkers.	190	90	2.11
Student Learning	184	77	2.39
Individualized support for Students	182	84	2.17
Positive and Safe Learning Environments	177	87	2.03
Up-to-date and available Technology	172	82	2.10
Literacy and Numeracy	163	70	2.33
Strong Student/Staff Relationships	161	75	2.15
Academic Engagement/Relevant Learning	160	74	2.16
Reasonable Workload for Staff	148	70	2.11
Helping Students Become Creative Thinkers	147	74	1.99
Support for Students Living in Poverty	147	79	1.86
Committed and experienced Staff	146	66	2.21
Innovation/Forward Thinking	133	64	2.08
Building Resiliency	126	58	2.17
Critical Inquiry Skills	126	59	2.14
A variety of opportunities in addition to Core English and Math	123	62	1.98
Inclusive connected learning environments	123	60	2.05
Early learning	122	51	2.39
More Specialist Teachers	122	58	2.10
Social Development of Students	119	62	1.92
Facilities	117	56	2.09
It is the job of the government to make education a priority.	113	49	2.31
Staff Development	105	61	1.72

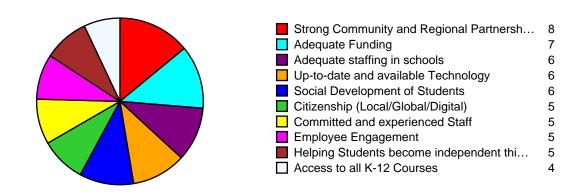
	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Flexibility and Choice	97	50	1.94
Citizenship (Local/Global/Digital)	93	47	1.98
Access to all K-12 Courses	89	44	2.02
Configuration in schools and of schools	87	43	2.02
Strong Staff Relationships	87	44	1.98
Strong Community and Regional Partnerships	86	47	1.83
Helping Students stay safe	83	44	1.89
Parents as Partners	79	42	1.88
Performance Management of Staff	74	33	2.24
Establishing a few educational priorities and do them well.	70	38	1.84
Reduce Leadership	60	33	1.82
Employee Engagement	57	34	1.68
100% graduation rate in some capacity (including alternate streams)	50	27	1.85
Flexible Transportation Services	40	21	1.90
Demonstrating respect for the fact that law cannot be abrogated arbitrarily	18	11	1.64



Priorities Summary - Trustee

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Strong Community and Regional Partnerships	8	3	2.67
Adequate Funding	7	3	2.33
Adequate staffing in schools	6	3	2.00
Up-to-date and available Technology	6	3	2.00
Social Development of Students	6	3	2.00
Citizenship (Local/Global/Digital)	5	3	1.67
Committed and experienced Staff	5	2	2.50
Employee Engagement	5	3	1.67
Helping Students become independent thinkers.	5	2	2.50
Access to all K-12 Courses	4	2	2.00
Innovation/Forward Thinking	4	2	2.00
Flexibility and Choice	4	2	2.00
Inclusive connected learning environments	4	2	2.00
Strong Student/Staff Relationships	4	2	2.00
Staff Development	4	2	2.00
Student Learning	4	2	2.00
A variety of opportunities in addition to Core English and Math	4	2	2.00
Critical Inquiry Skills	4	2	2.00
Building Resiliency	4	2	2.00
Parents as Partners	3	1	3.00
Early learning	3	1	3.00
Helping Students Become Creative Thinkers	3	2	1.50
Academic Engagement/Relevant Learning	3	1	3.00
Reasonable Workload for Staff	3	2	1.50
Support for Students Living in Poverty	3	1	3.00
Well Equipped Classrooms/Schools	3	2	1.50
Establishing a few educational priorities and do them well.	2	1	2.00
Helping Students stay safe	2	1	2.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Positive and Safe Learning Environments	2	1	2.00
Configuration in schools and of schools	2	1	2.00
Performance Management of Staff	2	1	2.00
Facilities	2	2	1.00
More Specialist Teachers	2	1	2.00
Strong Staff Relationships	2	2	1.00
Literacy and Numeracy	1	1	1.00
Reduce Leadership	1	1	1.00
Small Class Sizes	1	1	1.00
Individualized support for Students	1	1	1.00
Demonstrating respect for the fact that law cannot be abrogated arbitrarily	1	1	1.00
100% graduation rate in some capacity (including alternate streams)	0	0	0.00
It is the job of the government to make education a priority.	0	0	0.00
Flexible Transportation Services	0	0	0.00



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Priorities Summary - Student

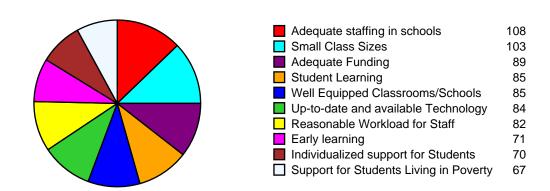
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Priorities Summary - SD8 Staff Member

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Adequate staffing in schools	108	41	2.63
Small Class Sizes	103	40	2.58
Adequate Funding	89	35	2.54
Student Learning	85	33	2.58
Well Equipped Classrooms/Schools	85	34	2.50
Up-to-date and available Technology	84	37	2.27
Reasonable Workload for Staff	82	32	2.56
Early learning	71	29	2.45
Individualized support for Students	70	33	2.12
Support for Students Living in Poverty	67	35	1.91
Strong Student/Staff Relationships	65	29	2.24
Positive and Safe Learning Environments	64	31	2.06
More Specialist Teachers	61	26	2.35
Helping Students become independent thinkers.	59	27	2.19
Literacy and Numeracy	56	24	2.33
Academic Engagement/Relevant Learning	54	24	2.25
Configuration in schools and of schools	53	22	2.41
Staff Development	51	27	1.89
Facilities	50	24	2.08
Strong Staff Relationships	48	21	2.29
Building Resiliency	47	20	2.35
Committed and experienced Staff	45	19	2.37
Inclusive connected learning environments	45	20	2.25
Citizenship (Local/Global/Digital)	45	21	2.14
Reduce Leadership	41	20	2.05
Innovation/Forward Thinking	40	20	2.00
Social Development of Students	40	20	2.00
Establishing a few educational priorities and do them well.	37	19	1.95
Critical Inquiry Skills	37	19	1.95

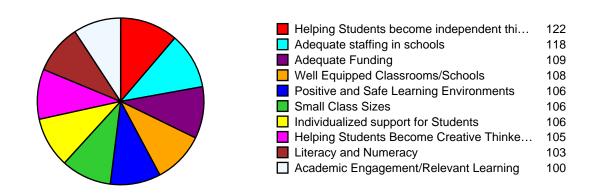
	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Helping Students Become Creative Thinkers	36	20	1.80
It is the job of the government to make education a priority.	32	13	2.46
Performance Management of Staff	27	12	2.25
A variety of opportunities in addition to Core English and Math	26	14	1.86
Employee Engagement	26	13	2.00
Access to all K-12 Courses	25	13	1.92
Flexibility and Choice	24	13	1.85
Strong Community and Regional Partnerships	24	13	1.85
Helping Students stay safe	21	12	1.75
Parents as Partners	16	8	2.00
Demonstrating respect for the fact that law cannot be abrogated arbitrarily	11	5	2.20
100% graduation rate in some capacity (including alternate streams)	9	6	1.50
Flexible Transportation Services	5	3	1.67



Priorities Summary - Parent

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Helping Students become independent thinkers.	122	59	2.07
Adequate staffing in schools	118	56	2.11
Adequate Funding	109	47	2.32
Well Equipped Classrooms/Schools	108	52	2.08
Positive and Safe Learning Environments	106	53	2.00
Small Class Sizes	106	51	2.08
Individualized support for Students	106	48	2.21
Helping Students Become Creative Thinkers	105	50	2.10
Literacy and Numeracy	103	44	2.34
Academic Engagement/Relevant Learning	100	48	2.08
Student Learning	95	42	2.26
Committed and experienced Staff	90	43	2.09
A variety of opportunities in addition to Core English and Math	90	45	2.00
Strong Student/Staff Relationships	88	42	2.10
Innovation/Forward Thinking	87	41	2.12
Critical Inquiry Skills	78	35	2.23
It is the job of the government to make education a priority.	77	34	2.26
Up-to-date and available Technology	76	39	1.95
Building Resiliency	75	36	2.08
Inclusive connected learning environments	71	37	1.92
Social Development of Students	70	38	1.84
Flexibility and Choice	69	35	1.97
Support for Students Living in Poverty	69	40	1.73
Parents as Partners	60	33	1.82
Reasonable Workload for Staff	60	34	1.76
Access to all K-12 Courses	60	29	2.07
Helping Students stay safe	60	31	1.94
Facilities	59	28	2.11
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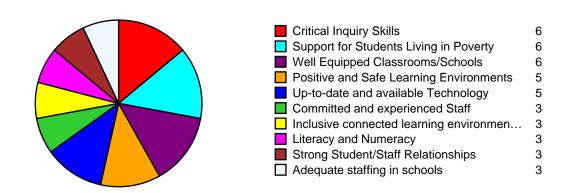
	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Strong Community and Regional Partnerships	54	31	1.74
More Specialist Teachers	53	29	1.83
Early learning	48	21	2.29
Staff Development	45	30	1.50
Performance Management of Staff	45	20	2.25
Citizenship (Local/Global/Digital)	43	23	1.87
100% graduation rate in some capacity (including alternate streams)	41	21	1.95
Flexible Transportation Services	34	17	2.00
Strong Staff Relationships	32	19	1.68
Establishing a few educational priorities and do them well.	31	18	1.72
Configuration in schools and of schools	30	19	1.58
Employee Engagement	24	17	1.41
Reduce Leadership	16	11	1.45
Demonstrating respect for the fact that law cannot be abrogated arbitrarily	6	5	1.20



Priorities Summary - Interested Member of the Community

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Critical Inquiry Skills	6	2	3.00
Support for Students Living in Poverty	6	2	3.00
Well Equipped Classrooms/Schools	6	2	3.00
Positive and Safe Learning Environments	5	2	2.50
Up-to-date and available Technology	5	2	2.50
Committed and experienced Staff	3	1	3.00
Inclusive connected learning environments	3	1	3.00
Literacy and Numeracy	3	1	3.00
Strong Student/Staff Relationships	3	1	3.00
Adequate staffing in schools	3	1	3.00
Staff Development	3	1	3.00
Adequate Funding	3	1	3.00
A variety of opportunities in addition to Core English and Math	3	1	3.00
Academic Engagement/Relevant Learning	3	1	3.00
Facilities	3	1	3.00
More Specialist Teachers	3	1	3.00
Small Class Sizes	3	1	3.00
Individualized support for Students	3	1	3.00
Social Development of Students	3	1	3.00
Helping Students become independent thinkers.	3	1	3.00
Helping Students Become Creative Thinkers	2	1	2.00
It is the job of the government to make education a priority.	2	1	2.00
Strong Staff Relationships	2	1	2.00
Reasonable Workload for Staff	2	1	2.00
Access to all K-12 Courses	0	0	0.00
Citizenship (Local/Global/Digital)	0	0	0.00
Strong Community and Regional Partnerships	0	0	0.00

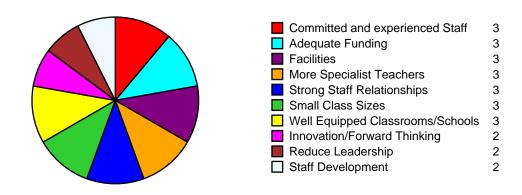
	overall rating	participant count	average rating
100% graduation rate in some capacity (including alternate streams)	0	0	0.00
Innovation/Forward Thinking	0	0	0.00
Establishing a few educational priorities and do them well.	0	0	0.00
Flexibility and Choice	0	0	0.00
Helping Students stay safe	0	0	0.00
Parents as Partners	0	0	0.00
Reduce Leadership	0	0	0.00
Early learning	0	0	0.00
Student Learning	0	0	0.00
Performance Management of Staff	0	0	0.00
Configuration in schools and of schools	0	0	0.00
Employee Engagement	0	0	0.00
Flexible Transportation Services	0	0	0.00
Building Resiliency	0	0	0.00
Demonstrating respect for the fact that law cannot be abrogated arbitrarily	0	0	0.00



Priorities Summary - other

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Committed and experienced Staff	3	1	3.00
Adequate Funding	3	1	3.00
Facilities	3	1	3.00
More Specialist Teachers	3	1	3.00
Strong Staff Relationships	3	1	3.00
Small Class Sizes	3	1	3.00
Well Equipped Classrooms/Schools	3	1	3.00
Innovation/Forward Thinking	2	1	2.00
Reduce Leadership	2	1	2.00
Staff Development	2	1	2.00
Configuration in schools and of schools	2	1	2.00
It is the job of the government to make education a priority.	2	1	2.00
Employee Engagement	2	1	2.00
Individualized support for Students	2	1	2.00
Support for Students Living in Poverty	2	1	2.00
Strong Student/Staff Relationships	1	1	1.00
Adequate staffing in schools	1	1	1.00
Helping Students Become Creative Thinkers	1	1	1.00
Up-to-date and available Technology	1	1	1.00
Flexible Transportation Services	1	1	1.00
Critical Inquiry Skills	1	1	1.00
Reasonable Workload for Staff	1	1	1.00
Helping Students become independent thinkers.	1	1	1.00
Access to all K-12 Courses	0	0	0.00
Citizenship (Local/Global/Digital)	0	0	0.00
Strong Community and Regional Partnerships	0	0	0.00
100% graduation rate in some capacity (including alternate streams)	0	0	0.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Establishing a few educational priorities and do them well.	0	0	0.00
Flexibility and Choice	0	0	0.00
Helping Students stay safe	0	0	0.00
Inclusive connected learning environments	0	0	0.00
Parents as Partners	0	0	0.00
Literacy and Numeracy	0	0	0.00
Early learning	0	0	0.00
Positive and Safe Learning Environments	0	0	0.00
Student Learning	0	0	0.00
A variety of opportunities in addition to Core English and Math	0	0	0.00
Academic Engagement/Relevant Learning	0	0	0.00
Performance Management of Staff	0	0	0.00
Building Resiliency	0	0	0.00
Demonstrating respect for the fact that law cannot be abrogated arbitrarily	0	0	0.00
Social Development of Students	0	0	0.00



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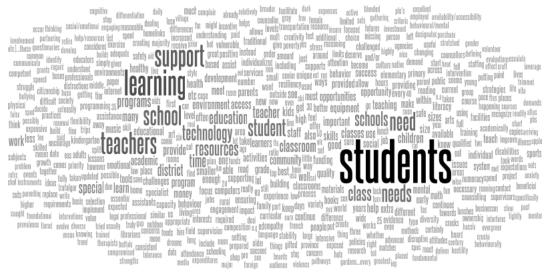
Q2: In SD8 (Kootenay Lake) we attempt to align our financial resources to meet the needs of our students. Please list up to 4 of the most important student needs on which we need to focus, in your opinion.

Started: 12 Feb 2014 Ended: 3 Mar 2014

Participation summary

Demographic	Participants	Thoughts	Participants	Priorities
Trustee	1	4 thoughts	3	135 stars
SD8 Staff Member	56	143 thoughts	60	2071 stars
Parent	69	169 thoughts	82	2696 stars
Interested Member of the Community	2	8 thoughts	3	84 stars
other	1	4 thoughts	6	45 stars
Participated		44 % (129)		48 % (139)
Opted out		1 % (4)		5 % (16)
No participation		53 % (156)		46 % (134)

Thought Cloud



Priorities Cloud



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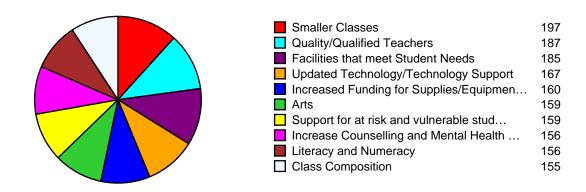
Priorities Summary - all

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Smaller Classes	197	79	2.49
Quality/Qualified Teachers	187	78	2.40
Facilities that meet Student Needs	185	81	2.28
Updated Technology/Technology Support	167	77	2.17
Increased Funding for Supplies/Equipment/Resources	160	68	2.35
Arts	159	73	2.18
Support for at risk and vulnerable students	159	69	2.30
Increase Counselling and Mental Health Support	156	70	2.23
Literacy and Numeracy	156	65	2.40
Class Composition	155	66	2.35
Behavior Management/Support	150	67	2.24
Student Engagement	150	69	2.17
Increase Education Assistants	149	66	2.26
Personalizing Learning/Individualization	142	64	2.22
Academic Success	130	56	2.32
Focus on reading/literacy beyond grade 3	130	58	2.24
Resiliency	130	58	2.24
Increase Specialist Positions	129	54	2.39
Early Learning	128	57	2.25
Skills for Healthy Lifestyle	123	60	2.05
Support New Curriculum Implementation	120	54	2.22
Better Accessibility to Courses/Programs in ALL Schools	119	50	2.38
Development of digital literacy skills for academic, professional, personal	112	58	1.93
Nutrition; Breakfast and Lunch Programs	109	53	2.06
Student-Staff Relationships	105	51	2.06
Reduce Administration	104	45	2.31
Extra Curricular Activities	102	48	2.12

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Developing learning partnerships across school/family/community	99	47	2.11
Offer incentives for older teachers to retire	99	43	2.30
Staff Wellness	99	50	1.98
School gardensevery school should have one	98	46	2.13
More Program Choices	93	44	2.11
Learning that is personally relevant	91	49	1.86
Parents as Partners	83	38	2.18
Teacher Pro D	83	42	1.98
Citizenship	82	42	1.95
Back to the Basics	59	25	2.36
Increase to Supervision Staff	52	29	1.79
Budget for your legal oblgations, and run a deficit until BC resolves law	48	21	2.29
Support International Learning Opportunities	48	26	1.85
Have pro d days at the end of August not as many during the school year.	39	20	1.95
Improved Transportation	36	17	2.12
Don't spend your funds on expensive questionaries.	34	17	2.00
Demonstrate that legal obligations supercede polictial whims.	30	16	1.88
Fewer Program Choices	18	9	2.00
Data	15	10	1.50
Reduce Services for Students with Special Needs	6	2	3.00
see previous comments.	6	2	3.00

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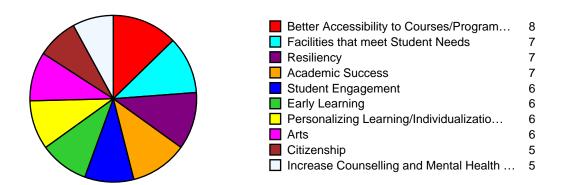
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Priorities Summary - Trustee

Better Accessibility to Courses/Programs in ALL Schools	8	3	2.67
Facilities that meet Student Needs	7	3	2.33
Resiliency	7	3	2.33
Academic Success	7	3	2.33
Student Engagement	6	3	2.00
Early Learning	6	2	3.00
Personalizing Learning/Individualization	6	3	2.00
Arts	6	2	3.00
Citizenship	5	3	1.67
ncrease Counselling and Mental Health Support	5	2	2.50
Feacher Pro D	5	3	1.67
Staff Wellness	5	3	1.67
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Offer incentives for older teachers to retire	5	3	1.67
Parents as Partners	4	2	2.00
Developing learning partnerships across school/family/community	4	2	2.00
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Jpdated Technology/Technology Support	4	2	2.00
School gardensevery school should have one	3	2	1.50
Smaller Classes	3	1	3.00
Support New Curriculum Implementation	3	1	3.00
Support for at risk and vulnerable students	3	1	3.00
Focus on reading/literacy beyond grade 3	2	1	2.00
Have pro d days at the end of August not as nany during the school year.	2	1	2.00
Student-Staff Relationships	2	1	2.00
Behavior Management/Support	2	2	1.00
Quality/Qualified Teachers	2	1	2.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Extra Curricular Activities	2	2	1.00
Learning that is personally relevant	2	<u>-</u> 1	2.00
Increase Specialist Positions	2	2	1.00
Development of digital literacy skills for academic, professional, personal	2	1	2.00
Demonstrate that legal obligations supercede polictial whims.	1	1	1.00
Support International Learning Opportunities	1	1	1.00
Back to the Basics	1	1	1.00
Literacy and Numeracy	1	1	1.00
More Program Choices	1	1	1.00
Class Composition	1	1	1.00
Increase to Supervision Staff	0	0	0.00
see previous comments.	0	0	0.00
Budget for your legal oblgations, and run a deficit until BC resolves law	0	0	0.00
Skills for Healthy Lifestyle	0	0	0.00
Nutrition; Breakfast and Lunch Programs	0	0	0.00
Improved Transportation	0	0	0.00
Reduce Services for Students with Special Needs	0	0	0.00
Don't spend your funds on expensive questionaries.	0	0	0.00
Reduce Administration	0	0	0.00
Fewer Program Choices	0	0	0.00
Data	0	0	0.00



Priorities Summary - Student

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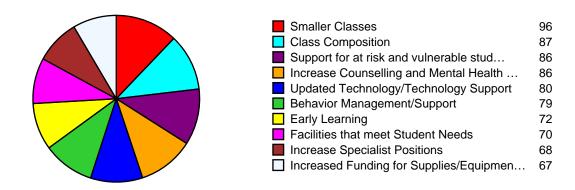
Priorities Summary - SD8 Staff Member

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Smaller Classes	96	36	2.67
Class Composition	87	34	2.56
Support for at risk and vulnerable students	86	34	2.53
Increase Counselling and Mental Health Support	86	33	2.61
Updated Technology/Technology Support	80	34	2.35
Behavior Management/Support	79	30	2.63
Early Learning	72	31	2.32
Facilities that meet Student Needs	70	30	2.33
Increase Specialist Positions	68	26	2.62
Increased Funding for Supplies/Equipment/Resources	67	28	2.39
Support New Curriculum Implementation	66	26	2.54
Student Engagement	65	26	2.50
Reduce Administration	65	27	2.41
Resiliency	60	24	2.50
Arts	60	28	2.14
Literacy and Numeracy	58	25	2.32
Offer incentives for older teachers to retire	58	23	2.52
Staff Wellness	57	26	2.19
Quality/Qualified Teachers	55	23	2.39
Nutrition; Breakfast and Lunch Programs	54	26	2.08
Teacher Pro D	54	25	2.16
Personalizing Learning/Individualization	50	22	2.27
Development of digital literacy skills for academic, professional, personal	48	23	2.09
Increase Education Assistants	47	23	2.04
Focus on reading/literacy beyond grade 3	42	20	2.10
Skills for Healthy Lifestyle	38	17	2.24
Extra Curricular Activities	33	13	2.54
Student-Staff Relationships	32	13	2.46
Academic Success	32	13	2.46

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Learning that is personally relevant	31	18	1.72
Developing learning partnerships across school/family/community	29	12	2.42
Citizenship	29	13	2.23
Budget for your legal oblgations, and run a deficit until BC resolves law	28	12	2.33
Parents as Partners	23	9	2.56
Support International Learning Opportunities	22	13	1.69
School gardensevery school should have one	20	12	1.67
Better Accessibility to Courses/Programs in ALL Schools	19	9	2.11
Demonstrate that legal obligations supercede polictial whims.	18	9	2.00
Increase to Supervision Staff	17	8	2.12
Back to the Basics	17	7	2.43
More Program Choices	17	7	2.43
Have pro d days at the end of August not as many during the school year.	12	7	1.71
Fewer Program Choices	7	5	1.40
Data	6	4	1.50
Improved Transportation	6	3	2.00
Don't spend your funds on expensive questionaries.	5	2	2.50
see previous comments.	0	0	0.00
Reduce Services for Students with Special Needs	0	0	0.00

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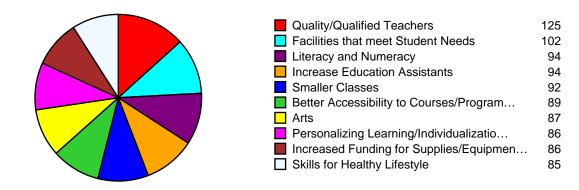
Priorities Summary - Parent

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Quality/Qualified Teachers	125	52	2.40
Facilities that meet Student Needs	102	46	2.22
Literacy and Numeracy	94	38	2.47
Increase Education Assistants	94	40	2.35
Smaller Classes	92	40	2.30
Better Accessibility to Courses/Programs in ALL Schools	89	37	2.41
Arts	87	41	2.12
Personalizing Learning/Individualization	86	39	2.21
Increased Funding for Supplies/Equipment/Resources	86	37	2.32
Skills for Healthy Lifestyle	85	43	1.98
Academic Success	85	38	2.24
Focus on reading/literacy beyond grade 3	83	36	2.31
Student Engagement	77	39	1.97
School gardensevery school should have one	75	32	2.34
Updated Technology/Technology Support	75	38	1.97
More Program Choices	72	35	2.06
Behavior Management/Support	68	34	2.00
Student-Staff Relationships	67	35	1.91
Class Composition	67	31	2.16
Support for at risk and vulnerable students	65	32	2.03
Extra Curricular Activities	64	32	2.00
Resiliency	62	30	2.07
Developing learning partnerships across school/family/community	62	31	2.00
Development of digital literacy skills for academic, professional, personal	59	33	1.79
Increase Counselling and Mental Health Support	59	33	1.79
Learning that is personally relevant	58	30	1.93
Parents as Partners	55	26	2.12

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Increase Specialist Positions	53	24	2.21
Nutrition; Breakfast and Lunch Programs	52	26	2.00
Citizenship	47	25	1.88
Early Learning	46	22	2.09
Support New Curriculum Implementation	45	25	1.80
Back to the Basics	41	17	2.41
Offer incentives for older teachers to retire	36	17	2.12
Increase to Supervision Staff	35	21	1.67
Staff Wellness	35	20	1.75
Reduce Administration	33	16	2.06
Improved Transportation	30	14	2.14
Don't spend your funds on expensive questionaries.	25	13	1.92
Have pro d days at the end of August not as many during the school year.	25	12	2.08
Support International Learning Opportunities	25	12	2.08
Teacher Pro D	19	12	1.58
Budget for your legal oblgations, and run a deficit until BC resolves law	17	8	2.12
Fewer Program Choices	11	4	2.75
Data	9	6	1.50
Demonstrate that legal obligations supercede polictial whims.	7	4	1.75
see previous comments.	6	2	3.00
Reduce Services for Students with Special Needs	6	2	3.00

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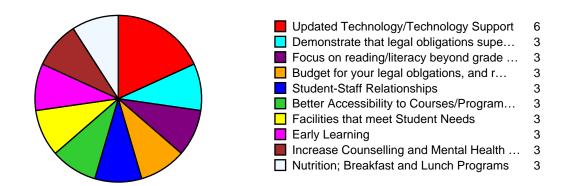
Priorities Summary - Interested Member of the Community

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Updated Technology/Technology Support	6	2	3.00
Demonstrate that legal obligations supercede polictial whims.	3	1	3.00
Focus on reading/literacy beyond grade 3	3	1	3.00
Budget for your legal oblgations, and run a deficit until BC resolves law	3	1	3.00
Student-Staff Relationships	3	1	3.00
Better Accessibility to Courses/Programs in ALL Schools	3	1	3.00
Facilities that meet Student Needs	3	1	3.00
Early Learning	3	1	3.00
Increase Counselling and Mental Health Support	3	1	3.00
Nutrition; Breakfast and Lunch Programs	3	1	3.00
Literacy and Numeracy	3	1	3.00
Quality/Qualified Teachers	3	1	3.00
More Program Choices	3	1	3.00
Don't spend your funds on expensive questionaries.	3	1	3.00
Developing learning partnerships across school/family/community	3	1	3.00
Smaller Classes	3	1	3.00
Teacher Pro D	3	1	3.00
Reduce Administration	3	1	3.00
Support New Curriculum Implementation	3	1	3.00
Arts	3	1	3.00
Academic Success	3	1	3.00
Extra Curricular Activities	3	1	3.00
Increase Education Assistants	3	1	3.00
Increase Specialist Positions	3	1	3.00
Development of digital literacy skills for academic, professional, personal	3	1	3.00
Support for at risk and vulnerable students	3	1	3.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Increased Funding for Supplies/Equipment/Resources	3	1	3.00
Student Engagement	0	0	0.00
see previous comments.	0	0	0.00
Increase to Supervision Staff	0	0	0.00
School gardensevery school should have one	0	0	0.00
Have pro d days at the end of August not as many during the school year.	0	0	0.00
Support International Learning Opportunities	0	0	0.00
Back to the Basics	0	0	0.00
Citizenship	0	0	0.00
Resiliency	0	0	0.00
Behavior Management/Support	0	0	0.00
Skills for Healthy Lifestyle	0	0	0.00
Improved Transportation	0	0	0.00
Parents as Partners	0	0	0.00
Reduce Services for Students with Special Needs	0	0	0.00
Personalizing Learning/Individualization	0	0	0.00
Learning that is personally relevant	0	0	0.00
Staff Wellness	0	0	0.00
Fewer Program Choices	0	0	0.00
Data	0	0	0.00
Class Composition	0	0	0.00
Offer incentives for older teachers to retire	0	0	0.00

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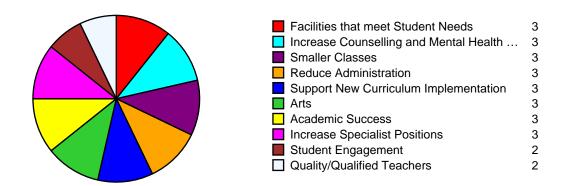
Priorities Summary - other

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Facilities that meet Student Needs	3	1	3.00
Increase Counselling and Mental Health Support	3	1	3.00
Smaller Classes	3	1	3.00
Reduce Administration	3	1	3.00
Support New Curriculum Implementation	3	1	3.00
Arts	3	1	3.00
Academic Success	3	1	3.00
Increase Specialist Positions	3	1	3.00
Student Engagement	2	1	2.00
Quality/Qualified Teachers	2	1	2.00
Teacher Pro D	2	1	2.00
Staff Wellness	2	1	2.00
Support for at risk and vulnerable students	2	1	2.00
Updated Technology/Technology Support	2	1	2.00
Demonstrate that legal obligations supercede polictial whims.	1	1	1.00
Student-Staff Relationships	1	1	1.00
Citizenship	1	1	1.00
Resiliency	1	1	1.00
Early Learning	1	1	1.00
Behavior Management/Support	1	1	1.00
Parents as Partners	1	1	1.00
Don't spend your funds on expensive questionaries.	1	1	1.00
Developing learning partnerships across school/family/community	1	1	1.00
Increase to Supervision Staff	0	0	0.00
Focus on reading/literacy beyond grade 3	0	0	0.00
see previous comments.	0	0	0.00
School gardensevery school should have one	0	0	0.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Have pro d days at the end of August not as many during the school year.	0	0	0.00
Support International Learning Opportunities	0	0	0.00
Budget for your legal oblgations, and run a deficit until BC resolves law	0	0	0.00
Back to the Basics	0	0	0.00
Better Accessibility to Courses/Programs in ALL Schools	0	0	0.00
Skills for Healthy Lifestyle	0	0	0.00
Nutrition; Breakfast and Lunch Programs	0	0	0.00
Improved Transportation	0	0	0.00
Literacy and Numeracy	0	0	0.00
More Program Choices	0	0	0.00
Reduce Services for Students with Special Needs	0	0	0.00
Personalizing Learning/Individualization	0	0	0.00
Extra Curricular Activities	0	0	0.00
Learning that is personally relevant	0	0	0.00
Increase Education Assistants	0	0	0.00
Fewer Program Choices	0	0	0.00
Development of digital literacy skills for academic, professional, personal	0	0	0.00
Data	0	0	0.00
Class Composition	0	0	0.00
Offer incentives for older teachers to retire	0	0	0.00
Increased Funding for Supplies/Equipment/Resources	0	0	0.00

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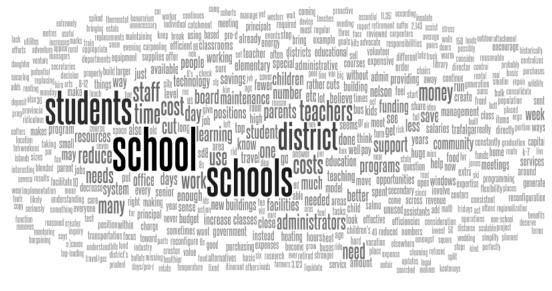
Q3: Please recommend up to 4 cost savings measures that you think could be taken by SD8 (Kootenay Lake).

Started: 12 Feb 2014 Ended: 3 Mar 2014

Participation summary

Demographic	Participants	Thoughts	Participants	Priorities
Trustee	1	3 thoughts	3	135 stars
SD8 Staff Member	54	120 thoughts	59	1685 stars
Parent	66	119 thoughts	80	2202 stars
Interested Member of the Community	2	4 thoughts	3	81 stars
other	1	3 thoughts	6	39 stars
Participated		42 % (124)		47 % (136)
Opted out		1 % (4)		5 % (16)
No participation		55 % (161)		47 % (137)

Thought Cloud



Priorities Cloud



Priorities Summary

Overall rating - total number of stars assigned to that group of thoughts

Participant count - the number of people that assigned stars to that group of thoughts

Average rating - the average number of stars that was given to that group of thoughts. The overall rating divided by the participant count. Average Rating can indicate a small number of people are passionate about a particular subject. You will often see a group of thoughts with a higher average rating than a group higher in the list. This can indicate that the people that did add stars to that group felt it was very important.

Priorities Summary - all

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Lease Facilities Evenings/Weekends	166	75	2.21
Advocate for More Funds	156	59	2.64
No more cuts to the classrooms. Leave the schools alone.	138	52	2.65
Reduce Administration	138	54	2.56
Examine Savings Possible Through Calendar Changes	136	57	2.39
Seek energy alternatives and efficiencies	135	58	2.33
Cooperative purchasing of supplies.	129	57	2.26
District Resource Coordination (textbooks, science kits, software license)	128	57	2.25
Encourage early retirement of some teaching staff	113	50	2.26
Sell off unused school district properties to generate revenue	113	48	2.35
Make Better Use of Community Resources/Facilities	112	49	2.29
Reduce admin staff	108	46	2.35
Increase Program Choices - thus Increasing Enrolment	93	37	2.51
Maintain our Facilities	92	41	2.24
Allow parent volunteers to help - (ie. maintenance projects, playground supervision)	91	43	2.12
Reconfigure Nelson Family of Schools	91	37	2.46
Use Technology to Create Efficiencies	91	40	2.27
Examine Cost of Hosting/Travelling in and out of the District (expenses)	90	39	2.31
No Funds to Religous Schools	86	34	2.53
Reduce Number of District Initiatives	83	37	2.24
Share Staff and Services with Neighboring Districts	81	36	2.25
Create efficiencies in the maintenance department	80	36	2.22
Don't have full day kindergarten	71	32	2.22

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Consolidate Facilities	68	29	2.34
Revenue generation with equipment rentals.	68	35	1.94
Attendance Management for Staff	67	28	2.39
Not cost savings, but doing things differently	64	29	2.21
Find Student Transportation Efficiencies	60	23	2.61
Consider gardens for all schools	59	26	2.27
Reduce honorarium for school trustees.	59	28	2.11
Create Programming that could be Marketed/Market Existing Programs	56	24	2.33
Leverage more parental or community expertise	55	24	2.29
Encourage stewardship with resources	54	26	2.08
Do work efficiency reviews	53	25	2.12
Reconsider the purpose and value of itinerant staff	53	25	2.12
Examine Alternative Formats for Teaching (ie DL, Seminars, etc.)	51	24	2.12
Refocusing/structuring Tech department	51	25	2.04
Gardening and Lunch Program	50	26	1.92
Align Educational Assignments	49	24	2.04
Amalgamate	48	21	2.29
Increase Non Enrolling Teachers	48	21	2.29
Zero waste lunches would greatly reduce disposal costs and janitorial costs	48	26	1.85
Food services revenue generation	47	27	1.74
Collaborate on Capital Needs	46	23	2.00
try to have local teachers so there will be less traveling	46	23	2.00
Utilize Students for Support for Teachers and Janitorial Services	44	23	1.91
Do Not Seek Further Cost Savings	43	18	2.39
Standardize Grade Configurations	43	20	2.15
Fund Raise	36	16	2.25
Long term vision is needed as attrition continues to climb. Many parents	36	19	1.89

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
encourage staff carpooling especially within district itinerants	34	18	1.89
more split classes if not enough teachers are available	28	13	2.15
support centers of learning with the money saved from closings	28	13	2.15
Reduce Program Choices	25	12	2.08
Cut spending for sport teams	22	10	2.20
Review of teachers salaries -	16	8	2.00
don't know.	15	7	2.14
I don't know	15	6	2.50
Do not sell real estate. In the long run there will be a larger	14	7	2.00
books	8	4	2.00
Reduce EA hours for Special Needs Children	8	3	2.67
Cut higher level math	6	3	2.00



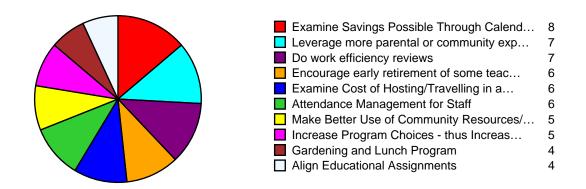
Priorities Summary - Trustee

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Examine Savings Possible Through Calendar Changes	8	3	2.67
Leverage more parental or community expertise	7	3	2.33
Do work efficiency reviews	7	3	2.33
Encourage early retirement of some teaching staff	6	3	2.00
Examine Cost of Hosting/Travelling in and out of the District (expenses)	6	2	3.00
Attendance Management for Staff	6	2	3.00
Make Better Use of Community Resources/Facilities	5	3	1.67
Increase Program Choices - thus Increasing Enrolment	5	2	2.50
Gardening and Lunch Program	4	2	2.00
Align Educational Assignments	4	2	2.00
Create efficiencies in the maintenance department	4	2	2.00
Cooperative purchasing of supplies.	4	2	2.00
District Resource Coordination (textbooks, science kits, software license)	4	2	2.00
Revenue generation with equipment rentals.	4	2	2.00
Create Programming that could be Marketed/Market Existing Programs	4	2	2.00
Consider gardens for all schools	3	1	3.00
Seek energy alternatives and efficiencies	3	2	1.50
more split classes if not enough teachers are available	3	1	3.00
Use Technology to Create Efficiencies	3	1	3.00
Reduce Number of District Initiatives	3	1	3.00
Share Staff and Services with Neighboring Districts	3	1	3.00
Reconfigure Nelson Family of Schools	3	2	1.50
Reduce admin staff	3	1	3.00
Advocate for More Funds	3	1	3.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Food services revenue generation	3	2	1.50
Reduce honorarium for school trustees.	3	1	3.00
Amalgamate	2	1	2.00
Sell off unused school district properties to generate revenue	2	1	2.00
Standardize Grade Configurations	2	1	2.00
Consolidate Facilities	2	1	2.00
Zero waste lunches would greatly reduce disposal costs and janitorial costs	2	2	1.00
Maintain our Facilities	2	2	1.00
Encourage stewardship with resources	2	2	1.00
encourage staff carpooling especially within district itinerants	2	1	2.00
Reconsider the purpose and value of itinerant staff	2	2	1.00
No more cuts to the classrooms. Leave the schools alone.	2	1	2.00
Reduce Program Choices	1	1	1.00
Utilize Students for Support for Teachers and Janitorial Services	1	1	1.00
Collaborate on Capital Needs	1	1	1.00
Review of teachers salaries -	1	1	1.00
Do Not Seek Further Cost Savings	0	0	0.00
Examine Alternative Formats for Teaching (ie DL, Seminars, etc.)	0	0	0.00
Long term vision is needed as attrition continues to climb. Many parents	0	0	0.00
support centers of learning with the money saved from closings	0	0	0.00
books	0	0	0.00
I don't know	0	0	0.00
No Funds to Religous Schools	0	0	0.00
Find Student Transportation Efficiencies	0	0	0.00
Not cost savings, but doing things differently	0	0	0.00
Increase Non Enrolling Teachers	0	0	0.00

Q3: Please recommend up to 4 cost savings measures that you think could be taken by SD8 (Kootenay Lake).

overall rating	participant count	average rating
0	0	0.00
0	0	0.00
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Priorities Summary - Student

no groups

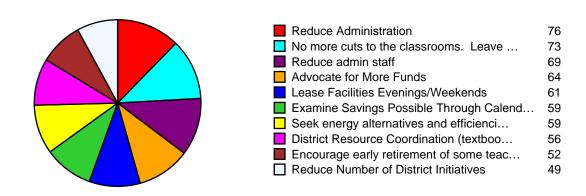
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Priorities Summary - SD8 Staff Member

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Reduce Administration	76	27	2.81
No more cuts to the classrooms. Leave the schools alone.	73	27	2.70
Reduce admin staff	69	27	2.56
Advocate for More Funds	64	23	2.78
Lease Facilities Evenings/Weekends	61	28	2.18
Examine Savings Possible Through Calendar Changes	59	22	2.68
Seek energy alternatives and efficiencies	59	24	2.46
District Resource Coordination (textbooks, science kits, software license)	56	22	2.55
Encourage early retirement of some teaching staff	52	22	2.36
Reduce Number of District Initiatives	49	20	2.45
Cooperative purchasing of supplies.	46	20	2.30
Examine Cost of Hosting/Travelling in and out of the District (expenses)	45	18	2.50
Reconfigure Nelson Family of Schools	45	17	2.65
Consolidate Facilities	44	17	2.59
Use Technology to Create Efficiencies	39	16	2.44
Sell off unused school district properties to generate revenue	36	16	2.25
Make Better Use of Community Resources/Facilities	35	16	2.19
Not cost savings, but doing things differently	34	14	2.43
No Funds to Religous Schools	33	13	2.54
Revenue generation with equipment rentals.	33	16	2.06
Attendance Management for Staff	33	13	2.54
Maintain our Facilities	32	14	2.29
Increase Non Enrolling Teachers	32	13	2.46
Reconsider the purpose and value of itinerant staff	31	13	2.38
Increase Program Choices - thus Increasing Enrolment	27	10	2.70

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Share Staff and Services with Neighboring Districts	27	12	2.25
Allow parent volunteers to help - (ie. maintenance projects, playground supervision)	26	11	2.36
Examine Alternative Formats for Teaching (ie DL, Seminars, etc.)	24	11	2.18
Create efficiencies in the maintenance department	24	12	2.00
Do work efficiency reviews	23	9	2.56
Zero waste lunches would greatly reduce disposal costs and janitorial costs	22	11	2.00
Refocusing/structuring Tech department	22	11	2.00
encourage staff carpooling especially within district itinerants	20	9	2.22
Do Not Seek Further Cost Savings	19	7	2.71
Reduce Program Choices	19	8	2.38
Don't have full day kindergarten	18	9	2.00
Reduce honorarium for school trustees.	18	9	2.00
Encourage stewardship with resources	18	9	2.00
Find Student Transportation Efficiencies	17	6	2.83
Create Programming that could be Marketed/Market Existing Programs	17	7	2.43
Food services revenue generation	16	8	2.00
Long term vision is needed as attrition continues to climb. Many parents	16	7	2.29
Standardize Grade Configurations	16	7	2.29
Collaborate on Capital Needs	16	7	2.29
Amalgamate	14	5	2.80
Utilize Students for Support for Teachers and Janitorial Services	14	6	2.33
try to have local teachers so there will be less traveling	12	5	2.40
support centers of learning with the money saved from closings	12	6	2.00
Cut spending for sport teams	11	5	2.20
Leverage more parental or community expertise	10	5	2.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Do not sell real estate. In the long run there will be a larger	10	4	2.50
more split classes if not enough teachers are available	9	4	2.25
Fund Raise	9	3	3.00
Consider gardens for all schools	8	3	2.67
I don't know	8	3	2.67
Align Educational Assignments	8	4	2.00
Gardening and Lunch Program	6	5	1.20
don't know.	5	3	1.67
Review of teachers salaries -	4	2	2.00
books	3	1	3.00
Cut higher level math	1	1	1.00
Reduce EA hours for Special Needs Children	0	0	0.00

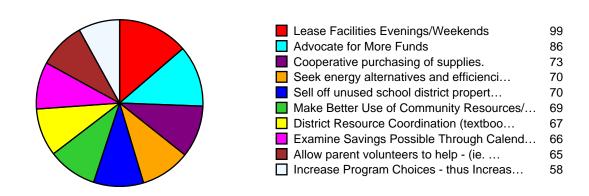


Priorities Summary - Parent

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Lease Facilities Evenings/Weekends	99	45	2.20
Advocate for More Funds	86	34	2.53
Cooperative purchasing of supplies.	73	33	2.21
Seek energy alternatives and efficiencies	70	31	2.26
Sell off unused school district properties to generate revenue	70	29	2.41
Make Better Use of Community Resources/Facilities	69	29	2.38
District Resource Coordination (textbooks, science kits, software license)	67	32	2.09
Examine Savings Possible Through Calendar Changes	66	31	2.13
Allow parent volunteers to help - (ie. maintenance projects, playground supervision)	65	32	2.03
Increase Program Choices - thus Increasing Enrolment	58	24	2.42
No more cuts to the classrooms. Leave the schools alone.	57	22	2.59
Reduce Administration	56	25	2.24
Encourage early retirement of some teaching staff	55	25	2.20
Maintain our Facilities	55	24	2.29
Share Staff and Services with Neighboring Districts	51	23	2.22
No Funds to Religous Schools	50	20	2.50
Create efficiencies in the maintenance department	49	21	2.33
Consider gardens for all schools	48	22	2.18
Don't have full day kindergarten	47	21	2.24
Use Technology to Create Efficiencies	46	22	2.09
Gardening and Lunch Program	40	19	2.11
Examine Cost of Hosting/Travelling in and out of the District (expenses)	39	19	2.05
Leverage more parental or community expertise	38	16	2.38

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Reduce honorarium for school trustees.	38	18	2.11
Find Student Transportation Efficiencies	37	15	2.47
Reconfigure Nelson Family of Schools	37	16	2.31
Encourage stewardship with resources	34	15	2.27
try to have local teachers so there will be less traveling	34	18	1.89
Align Educational Assignments	34	17	2.00
Create Programming that could be Marketed/Market Existing Programs	32	14	2.29
Amalgamate	32	15	2.13
Reduce admin staff	30	16	1.88
Reduce Number of District Initiatives	30	15	2.00
Utilize Students for Support for Teachers and Janitorial Services	29	16	1.81
Refocusing/structuring Tech department	29	14	2.07
Attendance Management for Staff	28	13	2.15
Revenue generation with equipment rentals.	28	16	1.75
Examine Alternative Formats for Teaching (ie DL, Seminars, etc.)	27	13	2.08
Fund Raise	27	13	2.08
Collaborate on Capital Needs	27	14	1.93
Not cost savings, but doing things differently	26	13	2.00
Food services revenue generation	25	16	1.56
Zero waste lunches would greatly reduce disposal costs and janitorial costs	24	13	1.85
Do work efficiency reviews	22	12	1.83
Standardize Grade Configurations	22	11	2.00
Consolidate Facilities	20	10	2.00
Reconsider the purpose and value of itinerant staff	20	10	2.00
Do Not Seek Further Cost Savings	18	9	2.00
Long term vision is needed as attrition continues to climb. Many parents	17	11	1.55
more split classes if not enough teachers are available	16	8	2.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
support centers of learning with the money saved from closings	16	7	2.29
Increase Non Enrolling Teachers	13	7	1.86
encourage staff carpooling especially within district itinerants	12	8	1.50
Cut spending for sport teams	11	5	2.20
Review of teachers salaries -	11	5	2.20
don't know.	10	4	2.50
Reduce EA hours for Special Needs Children	8	3	2.67
I don't know	7	3	2.33
Cut higher level math	5	2	2.50
books	4	2	2.00
Do not sell real estate. In the long run there will be a larger	4	3	1.33
Reduce Program Choices	4	2	2.00

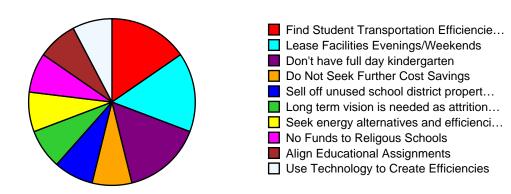


Priorities Summary - Interested Member of the Community

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Find Student Transportation Efficiencies	6	2	3.00
Lease Facilities Evenings/Weekends	6	2	3.00
Don't have full day kindergarten	6	2	3.00
Do Not Seek Further Cost Savings	3	1	3.00
Sell off unused school district properties to generate revenue	3	1	3.00
Long term vision is needed as attrition continues to climb. Many parents	3	1	3.00
Seek energy alternatives and efficiencies	3	1	3.00
No Funds to Religous Schools	3	1	3.00
Align Educational Assignments	3	1	3.00
Use Technology to Create Efficiencies	3	1	3.00
Standardize Grade Configurations	3	1	3.00
Not cost savings, but doing things differently	3	1	3.00
Make Better Use of Community Resources/Facilities	3	1	3.00
Create efficiencies in the maintenance department	3	1	3.00
Cooperative purchasing of supplies.	3	1	3.00
Examine Savings Possible Through Calendar Changes	3	1	3.00
Revenue generation with equipment rentals.	3	1	3.00
Reduce admin staff	3	1	3.00
Reconfigure Nelson Family of Schools	3	1	3.00
Create Programming that could be Marketed/Market Existing Programs	3	1	3.00
Increase Program Choices - thus Increasing Enrolment	3	1	3.00
Food services revenue generation	3	1	3.00
Reduce Administration	3	1	3.00
No more cuts to the classrooms. Leave the schools alone.	3	1	3.00
Encourage early retirement of some teaching staff	0	0	0.00
Amalgamate	0	0	0.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Gardening and Lunch Program	0	0	0.00
Examine Alternative Formats for Teaching (ie DL, Seminars, etc.)	0	0	0.00
Leverage more parental or community expertise	0	0	0.00
support centers of learning with the money saved from closings	0	0	0.00
books	0	0	0.00
Consider gardens for all schools	0	0	0.00
Reduce Program Choices	0	0	0.00
Do work efficiency reviews	0	0	0.00
l don't know	0	0	0.00
more split classes if not enough teachers are available	0	0	0.00
Reduce Number of District Initiatives	0	0	0.00
Consolidate Facilities	0	0	0.00
Share Staff and Services with Neighboring Districts	0	0	0.00
Zero waste lunches would greatly reduce disposal costs and janitorial costs	0	0	0.00
Maintain our Facilities	0	0	0.00
Increase Non Enrolling Teachers	0	0	0.00
District Resource Coordination (textbooks, science kits, software license)	0	0	0.00
Allow parent volunteers to help - (ie. maintenance projects, playground supervision)	0	0	0.00
Utilize Students for Support for Teachers and Janitorial Services	0	0	0.00
don't know.	0	0	0.00
Encourage stewardship with resources	0	0	0.00
try to have local teachers so there will be less traveling	0	0	0.00
Advocate for More Funds	0	0	0.00
Cut spanding for sport teams	0	0	0.00
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	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Examine Cost of Hosting/Travelling in and out of the District (expenses)	0	0	0.00
Cut higher level math	0	0	0.00
Do not sell real estate. In the long run there will be a larger	0	0	0.00
Reconsider the purpose and value of itinerant staff	0	0	0.00
encourage staff carpooling especially within district itinerants	0	0	0.00
Reduce EA hours for Special Needs Children	0	0	0.00
Fund Raise	0	0	0.00
Review of teachers salaries -	0	0	0.00
Reduce honorarium for school trustees.	0	0	0.00
Attendance Management for Staff	0	0	0.00
Refocusing/structuring Tech department	0	0	0.00



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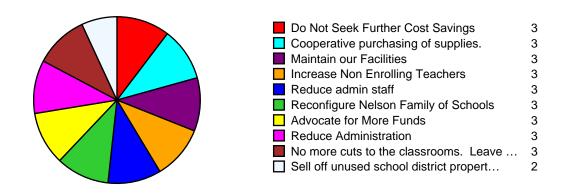
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Priorities Summary - other

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Do Not Seek Further Cost Savings	3	1	3.00
Cooperative purchasing of supplies.	3	1	3.00
Maintain our Facilities	3	1	3.00
Increase Non Enrolling Teachers	3	1	3.00
Reduce admin staff	3	1	3.00
Reconfigure Nelson Family of Schools	3	1	3.00
Advocate for More Funds	3	1	3.00
Reduce Administration	3	1	3.00
No more cuts to the classrooms. Leave the schools alone.	3	1	3.00
Sell off unused school district properties to generate revenue	2	1	2.00
Consolidate Facilities	2	1	2.00
Collaborate on Capital Needs	2	1	2.00
books	1	1	1.00
Reduce Program Choices	1	1	1.00
Do work efficiency reviews	1	1	1.00
Not cost savings, but doing things differently	1	1	1.00
Reduce Number of District Initiatives	1	1	1.00
District Resource Coordination (textbooks, science kits, software license)	1	1	1.00
Encourage early retirement of some teaching staff	0	0	0.00
Amalgamate	0	0	0.00
Gardening and Lunch Program	0	0	0.00
Examine Alternative Formats for Teaching (ie DL, Seminars, etc.)	0	0	0.00
Long term vision is needed as attrition continues to climb. Many parents	0	0	0.00
Leverage more parental or community expertise	0	0	0.00
support centers of learning with the money saved from closings	0	0	0.00
Consider gardens for all schools	0	0	0.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Seek energy alternatives and efficiencies	0	0	0.00
I don't know	0	0	0.00
No Funds to Religous Schools	0	0	0.00
more split classes if not enough teachers are available	0	0	0.00
Align Educational Assignments	0	0	0.00
Use Technology to Create Efficiencies	0	0	0.00
Find Student Transportation Efficiencies	0	0	0.00
Standardize Grade Configurations	0	0	0.00
Make Better Use of Community Resources/Facilities	0	0	0.00
Share Staff and Services with Neighboring Districts	0	0	0.00
Create efficiencies in the maintenance department	0	0	0.00
Zero waste lunches would greatly reduce disposal costs and janitorial costs	0	0	0.00
Examine Savings Possible Through Calendar Changes	0	0	0.00
Revenue generation with equipment rentals.	0	0	0.00
Allow parent volunteers to help - (ie. maintenance projects, playground supervision)	0	0	0.00
Lease Facilities Evenings/Weekends	0	0	0.00
Utilize Students for Support for Teachers and Janitorial Services	0	0	0.00
don't know.	0	0	0.00
Encourage stewardship with resources	0	0	0.00
Increase Program Choices - thus Increasing Enrolment	0	0	0.00
try to have local teachers so there will be less traveling	0	0	0.00
Create Programming that could be Marketed/Market Existing Programs	0	0	0.00
Don't have full day kindergarten	0	0	0.00
Cut spending for sport teams	0	0	0.00
Food services revenue generation	0	0	0.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Do not sell real estate. In the long run there will be a larger	0	0	0.00
Examine Cost of Hosting/Travelling in and out of the District (expenses)	0	0	0.00
Reconsider the purpose and value of itinerant staff	0	0	0.00
Reduce EA hours for Special Needs Children	0	0	0.00
Fund Raise	0	0	0.00
Review of teachers salaries -	0	0	0.00
Reduce honorarium for school trustees.	0	0	0.00
Refocusing/structuring Tech department	0	0	0.00
Attendance Management for Staff	0	0	0.00



Question Overview

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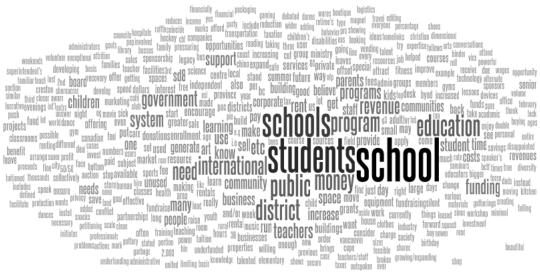
Participation summary

Demographic	Participants	Thoughts	Participants	Priorities
Trustee	1	5 thoughts	3	84 stars
SD8 Staff Member	54	80 thoughts	58	978 stars
Parent	66	74 thoughts	78	1302 stars
Interested Member of the Community	2	3 thoughts	3	39 stars
other	1	4 thoughts	6	12 stars
Participated		42 % (124)		46 % (133)
Opted out		1 % (4)		5 % (16)
No participation		55 % (161)		48 % (140)

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Thought Cloud



Priorities Cloud



Priorities Summary

Overall rating - total number of stars assigned to that group of thoughts

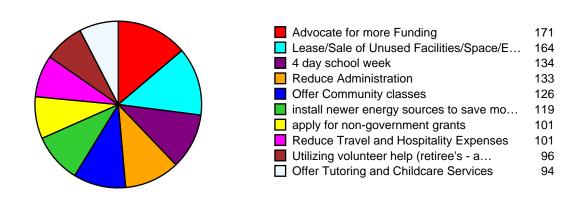
Participant count - the number of people that assigned stars to that group of thoughts

Average rating - the average number of stars that was given to that group of thoughts. The overall rating divided by the participant count. Average Rating can indicate a small number of people are passionate about a particular subject. You will often see a group of thoughts with a higher average rating than a group higher in the list. This can indicate that the people that did add stars to that group felt it was very important.

Priorities Summary - all

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Advocate for more Funding	171	64	2.67
Lease/Sale of Unused Facilities/Space/Equipment	164	64	2.56
4 day school week	134	55	2.44
Reduce Administration	133	55	2.42
Offer Community classes	126	54	2.33
install newer energy sources to save money	119	51	2.33
apply for non-government grants	101	51	1.98
Reduce Travel and Hospitality Expenses	101	44	2.30
Utilizing volunteer help (retiree's - adults with disabilities)	96	39	2.46
Offer Tutoring and Childcare Services	94	41	2.29
Staff Wellness	93	42	2.21
Student Entrepreneur Program	93	43	2.16
Please, no Pop/Vending Machines	89	36	2.47
School Districts Should Not Be Generating Revenue	87	32	2.72
Market Current and Potential Programs/Resources	86	36	2.39
Attract Students Who Have Left the District - Back	70	32	2.19
Transportation Fees for All Riders	67	30	2.23
school based supply store	64	29	2.21
Corporate Sponsorships	58	29	2.00
Have students build things on a contract basis. Eg houses	57	26	2.19
Expand Opportunities for voluntary leaves	49	25	1.96
School District Lottery, 50/50 at sports games.	47	23	2.04
Education/Learning Foundations	46	22	2.09
Raise Funds Through Various Fundraisers	46	22	2.09
Money follows vision, not the other way around.	38	16	2.38

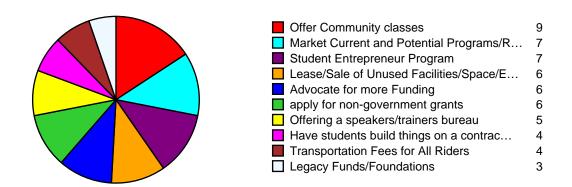
	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Improve Website Presence	33	15	2.20
Legacy Funds/Foundations	32	17	1.88
Paid parking on school grounds	26	14	1.86
School fees	24	12	2.00
Offering a speakers/trainers bureau	22	11	2.00
Academic Competitions	19	9	2.11
Offer cash incentives for walking to school	11	5	2.20
Buy/create laptop lockers, rent the space to students.	10	4	2.50
I have no ideas presently	9	3	3.00



Priorities Summary - Trustee

	overall rating	participant count	
Offer Community classes	9	3	3.00
Market Current and Potential Programs/Resources	7	3	2.33
Student Entrepreneur Program	7	3	2.33
Lease/Sale of Unused Facilities/Space/Equipment	6	2	3.00
Advocate for more Funding	6	2	3.00
apply for non-government grants	6	2	3.00
Offering a speakers/trainers bureau	5	2	2.50
Have students build things on a contract basis. Eg houses	4	2	2.00
Transportation Fees for All Riders	4	2	2.00
Legacy Funds/Foundations	3	1	3.00
Money follows vision, not the other way around.	3	1	3.00
Corporate Sponsorships	3	1	3.00
Reduce Travel and Hospitality Expenses	3	1	3.00
School Districts Should Not Be Generating Revenue	3	1	3.00
Attract Students Who Have Left the District - Back	3	1	3.00
Please, no Pop/Vending Machines	3	1	3.00
Education/Learning Foundations	3	1	3.00
Staff Wellness	2	1	2.00
Utilizing volunteer help (retiree's - adults with disabilities)	2	1	2.00
Offer Tutoring and Childcare Services	1	1	1.00
Improve Website Presence	1	1	1.00
School District Lottery, 50/50 at sports games.	0	0	0.00
School fees	0	0	0.00
4 day school week	0	0	0.00
Reduce Administration	0	0	0.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Offer cash incentives for walking to school	0	0	0.00
install newer energy sources to save money	0	0	0.00
Paid parking on school grounds	0	0	0.00
Raise Funds Through Various Fundraisers	0	0	0.00
Buy/create laptop lockers, rent the space to students.	0	0	0.00
Academic Competitions	0	0	0.00
school based supply store	0	0	0.00
I have no ideas presently	0	0	0.00
Expand Opportunities for voluntary leaves	0	0	0.00



Priorities Summary - Student

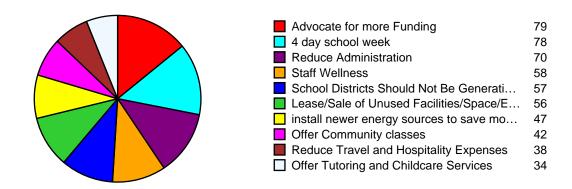
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Priorities Summary - SD8 Staff Member

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Advocate for more Funding	79	27	2.93
4 day school week	78	29	2.69
Reduce Administration	70	26	2.69
Staff Wellness	58	25	2.32
School Districts Should Not Be Generating Revenue	57	20	2.85
Lease/Sale of Unused Facilities/Space/Equipment	56	21	2.67
install newer energy sources to save money	47	20	2.35
Offer Community classes	42	19	2.21
Reduce Travel and Hospitality Expenses	38	17	2.24
Offer Tutoring and Childcare Services	34	14	2.43
Attract Students Who Have Left the District - Back	34	14	2.43
apply for non-government grants	33	17	1.94
Student Entrepreneur Program	31	15	2.07
Market Current and Potential Programs/Resources	30	12	2.50
Please, no Pop/Vending Machines	27	10	2.70
Have students build things on a contract basis. Eg houses	25	9	2.78
Utilizing volunteer help (retiree's - adults with disabilities)	23	9	2.56
Improve Website Presence	22	9	2.44
Expand Opportunities for voluntary leaves	20	10	2.00
Transportation Fees for All Riders	20	9	2.22
Corporate Sponsorships	19	10	1.90
Raise Funds Through Various Fundraisers	17	8	2.12
School District Lottery, 50/50 at sports games.	16	6	2.67
Paid parking on school grounds	16	8	2.00
Money follows vision, not the other way around.	15	7	2.14

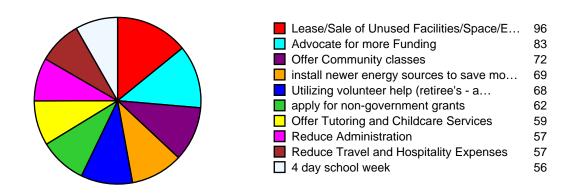
	overall rating	participant count	average rating
school based supply store	14	6	2.33
Education/Learning Foundations	13	6	2.17
School fees	9	5	1.80
Offering a speakers/trainers bureau	9	4	2.25
Legacy Funds/Foundations	7	4	1.75
I have no ideas presently	6	2	3.00
Buy/create laptop lockers, rent the space to students.	6	2	3.00
Offer cash incentives for walking to school	4	2	2.00
Academic Competitions	3	1	3.00



Priorities Summary - Parent

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Lease/Sale of Unused Facilities/Space/Equipment	96	39	2.46
Advocate for more Funding	83	34	2.44
Offer Community classes	72	31	2.32
install newer energy sources to save money	69	30	2.30
Utilizing volunteer help (retiree's - adults with disabilities)	68	28	2.43
apply for non-government grants	62	32	1.94
Offer Tutoring and Childcare Services	59	26	2.27
Reduce Administration	57	27	2.11
Reduce Travel and Hospitality Expenses	57	25	2.28
4 day school week	56	26	2.15
Please, no Pop/Vending Machines	56	24	2.33
Student Entrepreneur Program	55	25	2.20
school based supply store	50	23	2.17
Market Current and Potential Programs/Resources	46	20	2.30
Transportation Fees for All Riders	40	18	2.22
Corporate Sponsorships	36	18	2.00
Staff Wellness	33	16	2.06
Attract Students Who Have Left the District - Back	33	17	1.94
School District Lottery, 50/50 at sports games.	31	17	1.82
Raise Funds Through Various Fundraisers	29	14	2.07
Have students build things on a contract basis. Eg houses	28	15	1.87
Education/Learning Foundations	27	14	1.93
Expand Opportunities for voluntary leaves	26	14	1.86
School Districts Should Not Be Generating Revenue	24	10	2.40
Money follows vision, not the other way around.	20	8	2.50

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Legacy Funds/Foundations	19	11	1.73
Academic Competitions	16	8	2.00
School fees	15	7	2.14
Paid parking on school grounds	10	6	1.67
Improve Website Presence	10	5	2.00
Offering a speakers/trainers bureau	8	5	1.60
Offer cash incentives for walking to school	7	3	2.33
Buy/create laptop lockers, rent the space to students.	4	2	2.00
I have no ideas presently	0	0	0.00



Priorities Summary - Interested Member of the Community

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Lease/Sale of Unused Facilities/Space/Equipment	6	2	3.00
Reduce Administration	3	1	3.00
Legacy Funds/Foundations	3	1	3.00
install newer energy sources to save money	3	1	3.00
Market Current and Potential Programs/Resources	3	1	3.00
Transportation Fees for All Riders	3	1	3.00
I have no ideas presently	3	1	3.00
Utilizing volunteer help (retiree's - adults with disabilities)	3	1	3.00
Please, no Pop/Vending Machines	3	1	3.00
Offer Community classes	3	1	3.00
Expand Opportunities for voluntary leaves	3	1	3.00
Education/Learning Foundations	3	1	3.00
Have students build things on a contract basis. Eg houses	0	0	0.00
School District Lottery, 50/50 at sports games.	0	0	0.00
Offering a speakers/trainers bureau	0	0	0.00
School fees	0	0	0.00
4 day school week	0	0	0.00
Offer cash incentives for walking to school	0	0	0.00
Staff Wellness	0	0	0.00
Paid parking on school grounds	0	0	0.00
Money follows vision, not the other way around.	0	0	0.00
Raise Funds Through Various Fundraisers	0	0	0.00
Corporate Sponsorships	0	0	0.00
Reduce Travel and Hospitality Expenses	0	0	0.00
school based supply store	0	0	0.00
Academic Competitions	0	0	0.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Buy/create laptop lockers, rent the space to students.	0	0	0.00
School Districts Should Not Be Generating Revenue	0	0	0.00
Offer Tutoring and Childcare Services	0	0	0.00
Advocate for more Funding	0	0	0.00
Improve Website Presence	0	0	0.00
Student Entrepreneur Program	0	0	0.00
Attract Students Who Have Left the District - Back	0	0	0.00
apply for non-government grants	0	0	0.00



Priorities Summary - other

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Reduce Administration	3	1	3.00
Reduce Travel and Hospitality Expenses	3	1	3.00
School Districts Should Not Be Generating Revenue	3	1	3.00
Advocate for more Funding	3	1	3.00
Have students build things on a contract basis. Eg houses	0	0	0.00
School District Lottery, 50/50 at sports games.	0	0	0.00
Offering a speakers/trainers bureau	0	0	0.00
School fees	0	0	0.00
4 day school week	0	0	0.00
Offer cash incentives for walking to school	0	0	0.00
Legacy Funds/Foundations	0	0	0.00
install newer energy sources to save money	0	0	0.00
Staff Wellness	0	0	0.00
Paid parking on school grounds	0	0	0.00
Raise Funds Through Various Fundraisers	0	0	0.00
Money follows vision, not the other way around.	0	0	0.00
Corporate Sponsorships	0	0	0.00
Market Current and Potential Programs/Resources	0	0	0.00
Transportation Fees for All Riders	0	0	0.00
Lease/Sale of Unused Facilities/Space/Equipment	0	0	0.00
school based supply store	0	0	0.00
Academic Competitions	0	0	0.00
Buy/create laptop lockers, rent the space to students.	0	0	0.00
I have no ideas presently	0	0	0.00
Offer Tutoring and Childcare Services	0	0	0.00
Improve Website Presence	0	0	0.00

	overall rating	participant count	average rating
Utilizing volunteer help (retiree's - adults with disabilities)	0	0	0.00
Please, no Pop/Vending Machines	0	0	0.00
Attract Students Who Have Left the District - Back	0	0	0.00
Student Entrepreneur Program	0	0	0.00
Offer Community classes	0	0	0.00
Expand Opportunities for voluntary leaves	0	0	0.00
apply for non-government grants	0	0	0.00
Education/Learning Foundations	0	0	0.00

