

# Notes from October 15<sup>th</sup> Community Conversation Hosted by Pastor Jeff Raker/Cornerstone Church

## CHALLENGES

Deal with NEA to get more teacher alignment around how to educate in a modern way

Parents at private schools attract Lakota parents

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Stressed out Lakota staff and teachers

Kids will to learn is misled

Teachers upset because of teaching to test  
Important to inspire lifelong learning

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Impact: Distracted from educating and student behavior impacted

Pride in Lakota is down

Pride in community is down

Challenge: Attracting the best educators/total staff and retaining

What is the impact of turnover

Parental support-----gotta have it

- Has it gone down
- Over prioritize sports
- Be clear about priorities
  - ~ Why upset about sports lost vs. lost educational opportunities
- Parents need to own their kid's education
  - ↓ Get kids to own their education
  - Get kids to take responsibility for their actions

Big gap between types of students to educate

Difference between education now and before

Especially school size

↘ Some opportunities with that

Program availability

↘ Some kids blocked out of options – Language Arts

What kind of community support would help educate our children?

## POSSIBILITIES/SUCCESS

Inspired teachers and students

↓ Create life-long passion for learning

↘ Probably can't test for that

Don't react to statistics Re: Educational goals  
Ask community what's important to them

Adapt to culture and community

Give back to community

**SUCCESS**

Prepared to enter the community in a valuable way

Be able to know what is needed for all to succeed

Involvement in community

Kids have support network

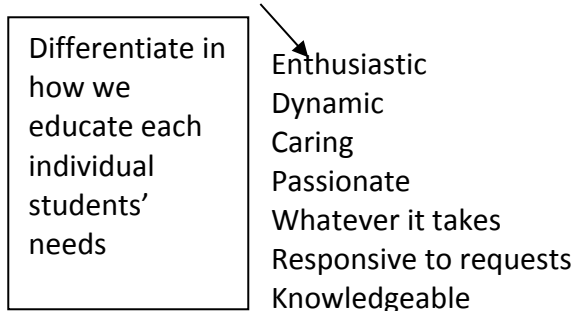
Desire to learn

Kids need to know the value proposition of education

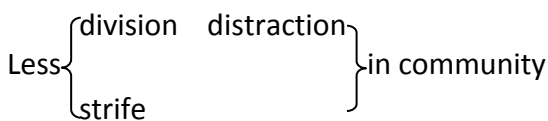
Communication skills

Problem solving skills

Motivated educators



Go beyond test prep



Pride for school

Safe Comfortable

Don't have to worry about the district issues

Learn what kids say they need to succeed

Collaboration not competition

Know they need to compete