

Spring 2022 Survey Comments Summary



Staff Survey - Comments

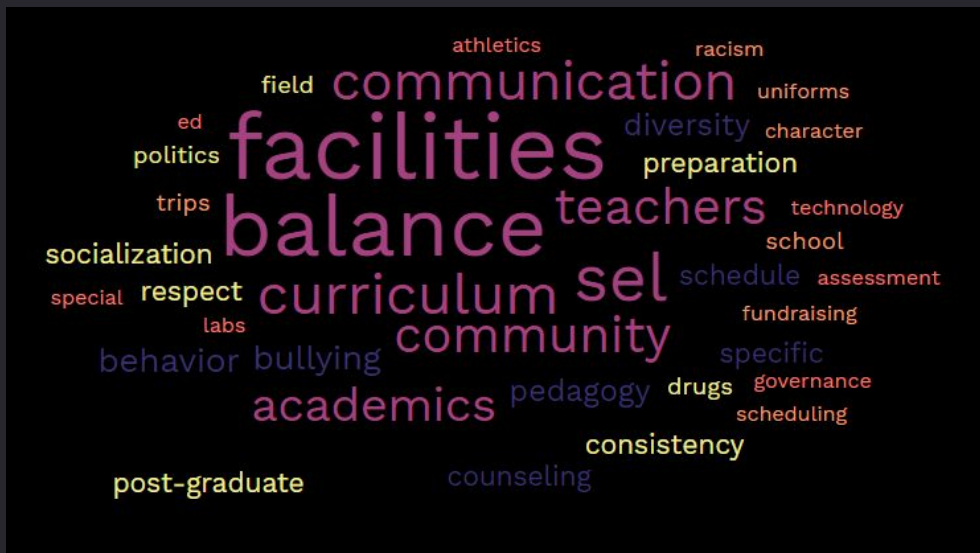
What we Heard	Current Initiatives & Future Plans	Board Goal
Behavior trend	Improved over the year. "Restart" PD on routines/structure	#2 – Culture
Policy enforcement - consistency	Deans' active role in enforcement Encourage staff to engage in consistent enforcement	#2 – Culture
Continuing teacher education	Streams: Individual. Department. All staff. Tuition reimbursement.	#3 – Resources
Efforts to improve balance	The AMSA Way	#1 – Academic

Family Survey - Comments

What we Heard	Current Initiatives & Future Plans	Board Goal
Facilities	Buildout!	#3 – Resources
Balance	Challenge Success / SEL	#1 – Academic
Re-connecting Socially	Upcoming Club Fair being planned	#5 – Community
Bullying	Following procedure as outlined in our policy, Student Handbook and state/federal laws.	#2 - Culture

Families:

What's the most important issue that AMSA needs to focus on?



Freq.	Topic
23	Facilities
21	Balance
15	Social-Emotional Learning (SEL)
12	Curriculum
11	Communication
10	Teacher Quality/Consistency
10	Building Community

Staff:

What's the most important issue that AMSA needs to focus on?



Freq.	Topic
9	Excellence
4	Balance
4	Behavior
3	Pedagogy
2	Communication
2	Consistency
2	Joy of learning

Sample Suggestions

“My child's teachers are typically communicative, supportive and respond timely. I would like more one-on-one efforts initiated by the counselors with my children.”

“Academically, I think you are covering/exceeding expectations, I wish there was a better outlet for socializing. Kids come from all over and many are smart but socially challenged. Giving them more time between classes and at lunch would go a long way.”

“Teaching students how to study, how to organize their work and their time.”

“Building sense of community in school as a whole and in each class specifically. Plan more class events - for example, 8th grade dance, multiple freshman welcome events in the fall”

Sample Concerns

“There are some issues with how students perceive some teachers. Generally this is not an issue, but it would be good to have a FAQ that outlines how to address some of these issues shared with parents..”

“We definitely have growing issues with behavior (...) that many teachers feel ill-equipped to deal with. We have also long had issues with pockets of unmotivated students who band together and can affect the atmosphere of classes. I would love quality PD from an expert on topics like behavior and motivation”

“They need more time between classes and for lunch.”

“Homework [is the most important issue]. I find that our son can have over 3 hours [of homework] a night. (...) Directed Study doesn't always allow time for homework.”

Sample Positive Comments

"I appreciate the quick responses received when I have reached out to the faculty. They always elaborate on my questions rather than just providing a yes or no answer."

" Thank you. You are an incredible staff who helps my kids love learning. Thank you for loving our kids and believing in them!."

"~~(XXX)~~ has provided amazing support for my child, who has struggled emotionally this year. It has been impossible to find a therapist (... has) gone above and beyond (while maintaining boundaries) to be supportive and consistent.."