Community Survey - Clintondale Community Schools

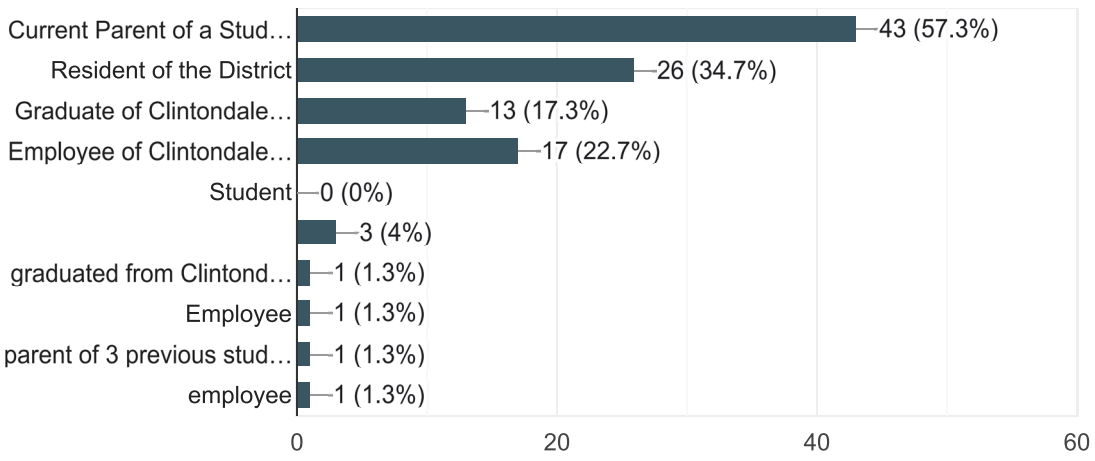
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Which best describes you? Select all that apply.

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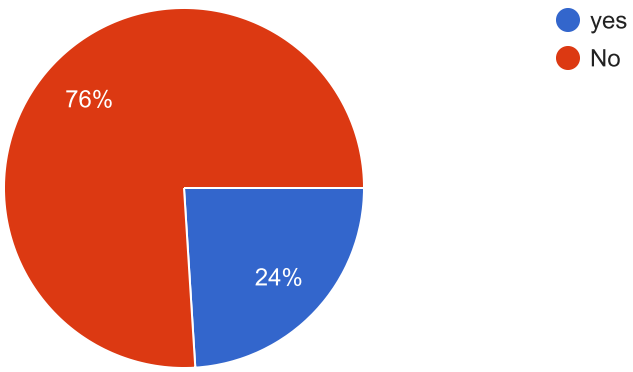
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If you are a parent of a current student, would you be interested in parent support group or class?

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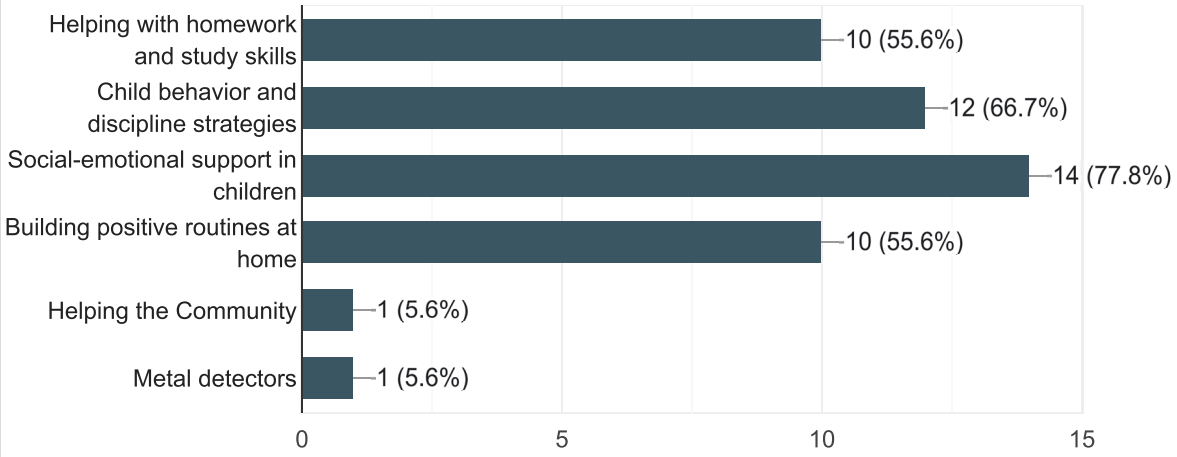


Parent Resources

What types of topics would be most helpful in a parent support group or class? (Check all that apply.)

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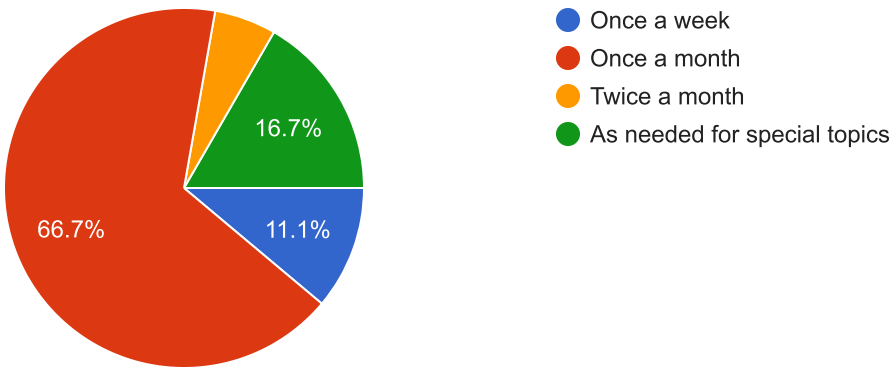
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How often would you prefer these sessions be held?

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What would encourage you to participate in a parent support group or class?

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Convenient hours

Progress

Communication between parents interested

Childcare so I can come

If there actually was one.

Having the time to attend

Online participation options or multiple time frames offered

Open communication with teachers and administrators.

Emotional support with students

My Daughter cause my daughter needs help and I'm willing to help her whatever it takes

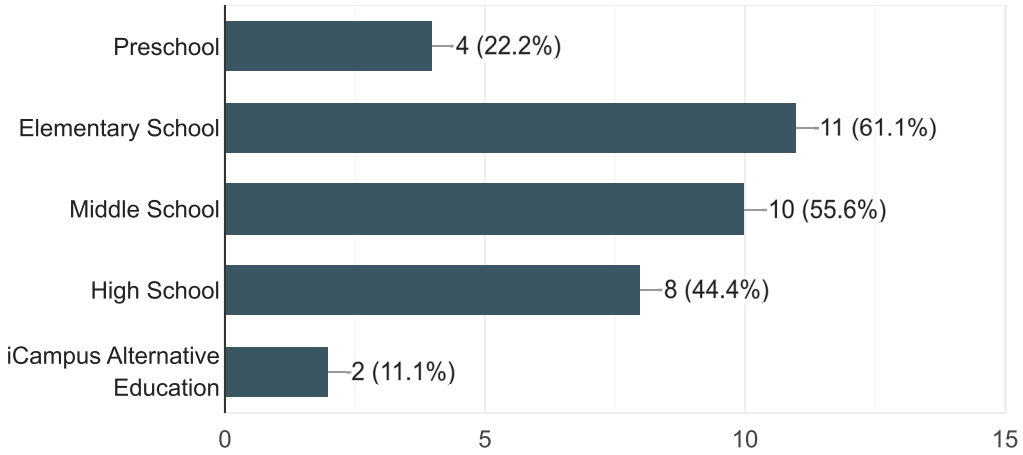
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Childcare

What school level would you like to have a support group or class? (Check all that apply)

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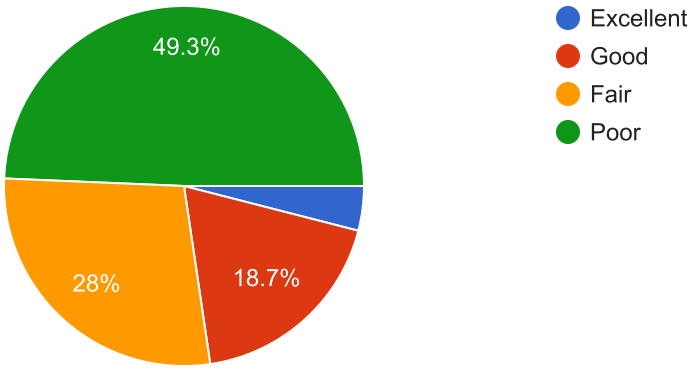
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Overall, how would you rate your perception of our school district?

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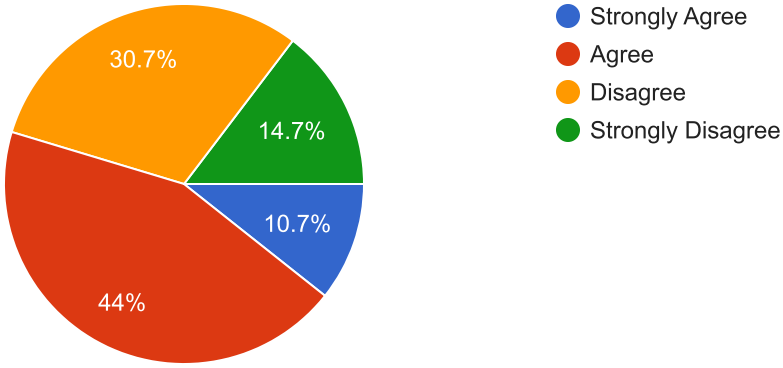
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How strongly do you agree with this statement: “The district provides a safe and welcoming environment for students”?

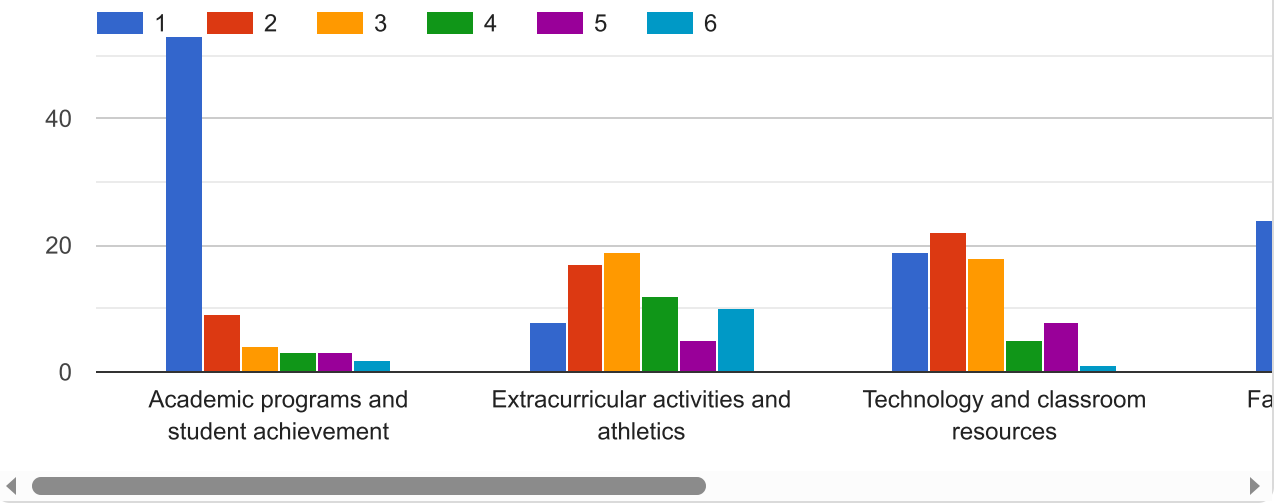
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Which areas do you feel the district should prioritize in the next 3–5 years? (Rank in order of importance. 1=Most important, 6=Least important)

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In your opinion, what is the district's greatest strength?

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Communication

Nothing

Communication

Not sure

Alumni are very supportive.

Kind employees

Its a small Community so everyone knows all the kids

Dedication of staff

Idk

Monitoring electronic use

Being a smaller district allows for staff to really get to know the kids.

The teachers

Small community

Has some good teachers

The teachers, who are treated unfairly.

It's teachers

Not sure anymore.

Mr. Reid and Miss. Rita

The teaching staff

I am not sure we really have one right now. There are places where I can see a plan formulating but we are currently still pretty bad off.

The staff

The staff

Sports

Our children

not sure

N/A

Sports

The teachers who dedicate themselves to the education of the students and children. The teacher who continue to fight for the students and advocate for them. The teachers and staff who work outside of their hours.

Staff that lives or lived in district

None

Rooted deeply in the community

Over the years I think a lot of the district's strengths have been lost.

The employees that have stayed with Clintondale to try and keep it a great district.

teachers and student mentors

Really cant think of anything

The teachers that stick around with no contact.

Teachers and paraprofessionals

Mrs DenBass. Kathy Slawinski. Amanda Madson Erica Rudolph. Sarah Nason Dawn Sanchez Susie Woda

Its teachers and staff.

Support

Dual enrollment

Teachers

Your teachers and staff our students sh

Dedicated teachers that know how to work well with our students.

The elementary schools and their staff.

Sense of community

Academic Programs

Staff

A small family like community

Small setting

Not many right now

Teachers

teachers who care

NA

Academic and communication

Havent experienced any.

Their ability to lie

Caring teachers at Parker. They will do anything for my children.

community feeling

Safety

Are there any?

Only sports

Resources

The dedicated staff who really care about student success.

the children

Family feel

Caring teachers and staffs

Teachers care about the students.

What are your greatest concerns about the school district right now?

75 responses

None

Public perception of the district.

Pay for teachers, caring about teachers well-being and offering enough support.

Same as with most districts, the ability to educate our children the way they need it and security so our kids are safe. We live in crazy times so knowing they are very safe at school is very stress relieving.

Curriculum

Low test scores, disrepair of buildings

Communication

Male teachers being good role models for female students.

What the future holds

The cleanliness of the schools. My kids have constantly been sick since starting school.

Having high school students with middle school students in same building

Safety and bullying

School doesn't follow students IEPS

The district needs more black teachers. This is 95percent black and theirs no black teachers

The Board Members & The Future

Lack of communication, lack of extracurricular activities in the elementary schools.

Losing good, qualified teachers

Too many to list

Transportation they drop these kid's off in dangerous places where they have to cross big dangerous streets and it's getting darker earlier. They should pick up and drop off at their

homes

The teachers not having a contract starting a second year / school board not working for the best interest of the students / staff / community. And the loss of good teachers and middle school in the same building as the high school,

We are understaffed. We are not holding high academic standards. We make every excuse for kids when we should be holding them accountable to something so that they can move forward and not stand still. We have a huge special education problem that goes back years which includes students who are certified incorrectly and students who are not certified and should be. Attendance is atrocious. We do not have the necessary resources to hold minimal levels of success in the classrooms. The middle school is UNSAFE.

Not enough staff and support for them

Low enrollment rates and not having resources needed like a speech therapist, psychiatrist, occupational therapist, etc.

Everything

The middle school kids not having their own building!

Academics

Not enough elective options, or CTE courses (trades)

N/A

Metal detectors

My student not being challenged enough.

The lack of communication from the district. The lack of preparedness and timeliness for events. The inconsideration for parents and families while preparing and planning events. The fact that the superintendent hasn't emailed me after communication was sent to him and that the school board hasn't followed up with me to address his lack of communication. The lack of performing arts classes and low funding for the arts.

Poor parenting. Lack of respect from all students. Children that shouldn't be allowed in schools example, can't speak,not potty trained,don't know their names,don't listen to any staff members,out of district,no school pride,lack of communication, school board meetings are an embarrassment,no board members talk to staff or observe the daily routine of district. Attendance and tardiness is horrible. No teachers contract. AFSCME paid for their own raises from loss of staff. We are not racist

Poor staff

Not complying with special services timely and All these teacher changes-

Enrollment of neighborhood/resisdent students, finances, and student success. At this point the district should work with MDE to make a plan to merge with neighboring districts.

Not focusing more on supporting the students.

help for students

Hmmmm

Lack of support for teachers.

Middle and high school combined

Behavior problems, lack of discipline, low test scores

Out of county school of choice. This reduces the value of my home. Test scores. Amount of teachers leaving. Nepotism within administration, staff and board members. Robert's rules of order not being in board bylaws. Superintendent letting others answer all questions at board meetings. Special education director being in on friends interview and said friend being hired. Amount of money being paid to new hires. Amount of money being paid to a band/music program person, for a band of maybe 15 who really want to learn. Administration staff getting raises and not a teacher contract. Why are there 2 HR employees for such a SMALL amount of students?

The fact that your teachers are on their second year without a contract, which is causing so many veteran teachers to leave for other districts. We need to keep the teachers so that we can improve score. Constant turnover is NOT what is best for our students!

Verbally abusive staff

Poor leadership

How many teachers have left the district. How can our children grow when they keep getting brand new teachers?

Safety concerns-no walkies, students from CHS and CMS are not separated at all times like the public was told they would be. Not following the Discipline Handbook-procedures and consequences are spelled out, but rarely followed; this has been an issue for multiple years now.

The middle school. My daughter is a 6th grader and they are a month into school and still not playing instruments in band. She has Contemporary dance as an elective... seriously! Parents pay for dance... school should be teaching REAL LIFE things. Like how to cook or write a check. Maybe ask the kids or patents what world be a good elective, instead of just throwing DANCE in there! My daughter ABSOLUTELY HATES that class. The district is getting more ridiculous each year. My son graduated thanks to me in 2023 and the high school FAILED HIM!

My daughter is not get the best education

Overcrowded classrooms not allowing teachers to do good jobs

The overall negative perception of the district. It's not a good look when teachers in Macomb county know Clintondale teachers still do not have a contract. Board meetings are being talked about in other districts. Professionalism and respect need to be prioritized.

No communication from teachers.

Staff turnover, no teacher contract, student behavior

The Middle and High schools are combined; there is not enough security and safety measures in place.

Students behaviors

giving a's to students with terrible attendance, safety, student disrespect

The middle school and high school students being In the same building.

N/a

Safety

Too many problems with bullying and fighting. Also bad choices in substitute teachers.

The superintendent!

The teachers not having a contract and so many teachers leaving. Im worried that my children's favorite teachers will leave because they dont feel valued.

no contact for the teachers, the amount of staff leaving the board that can not get along and the administration doesn’t seem to care for what the staff and community want

Everything!

Applying to all iep's and kids social emotional needs

My daughter safety and well being around such dysfunctional kids not saying my kid is special, but I have been in her life. She's been through a lot. She don't need to be in a school where there are bullies and she has to fight and be fearful of going to school every day I taught my daughter to be a lady. She does not have to fight to earn an education have to fight literally in school with other people. Lots of racist also

Safety

Safety and calm classrooms where students can actually learn without constant distractions.

bullying and disrespectful principal and teacher

Safety, poor leadership on all levels.

Combined hs/ms

The school buildings and grounds need more consistent care and attention. It often feels like the maintenance staff are not putting in the necessary effort to keep things in good condition. The work that was supposed to be completed before summer still has not been done. Classrooms are not being cleaned properly, and the paper towel dispensers that were promised have yet to be installed.

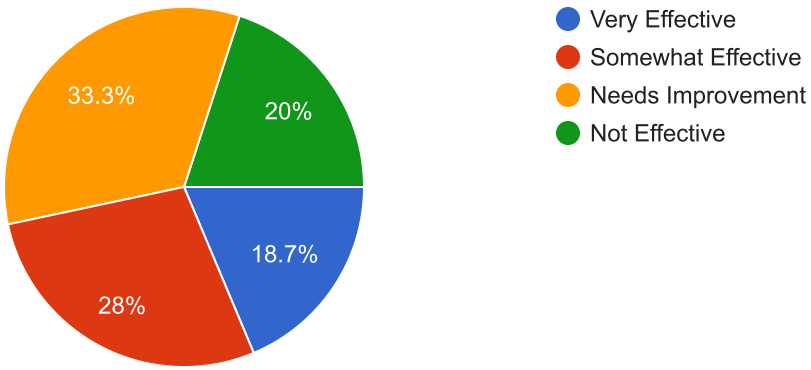
The teachers do not have a contract.

Communication

How effective do you feel the district's communication is with families and the community?

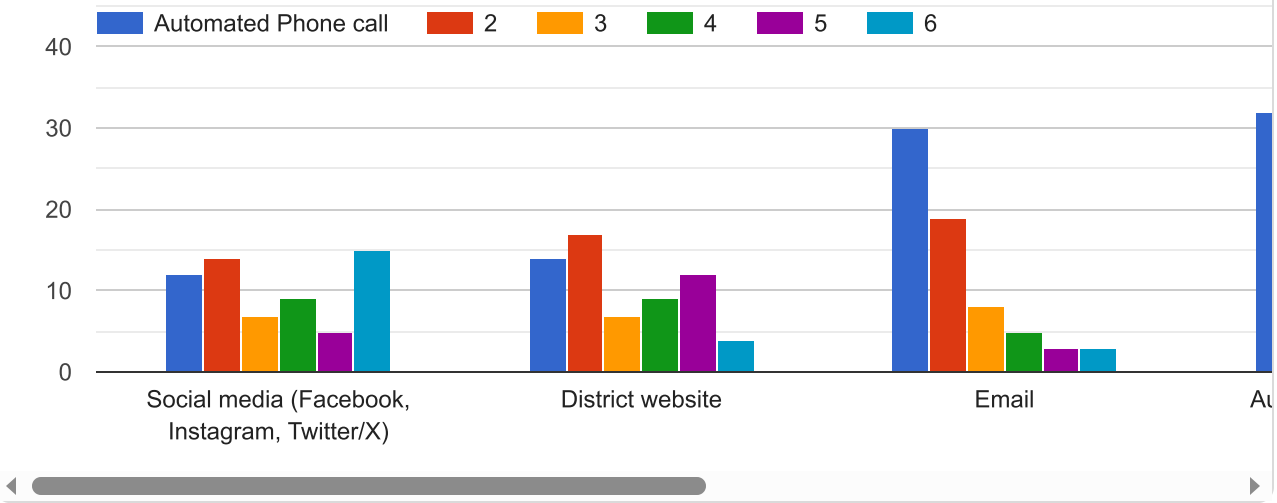
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How would you prefer to receive updates and information from the district? (Rank in order of importance. 1=most important, 6=least important)

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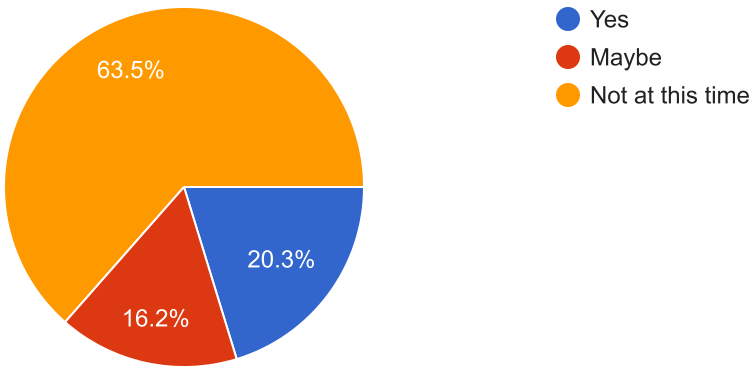


Volunteering

Would you be interested in volunteering to support our schools (lunchroom help, events, athletics, mentoring, etc.)?

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What new programs, services, or opportunities would you like to see offered in the district?

55 responses

More specials.

Not sure

Parenting classes, more after school activities

Tutoring opportunities

Some more clubs at the Elementary school. Maybe a reading club, science club, that kind of thing.

More parent friendly functions. More community engagement.

Extra curricular for younger students.

Workshop, cooking class, and sex education

Inclusive programs and peer buddies

Debate squad

More family programs/ field trips

Don't have any

Bring life skills back

Choir & Band

More athletic things they should have a pic and it shouldn't be only boys are allowed on the football team because my daughter she was on a football team and she won no boy ever beat her

More shop classes wood, metal, building trades, small engine

Support the ones you already have first.

Not sure yet

Speech therapy, reading help, occupational therapy, social worker.

More tutoring for students

Building trades and robotics

CTYE and trades

N/A

Cursive and typing classes

Drama, choir, more arts. This district receives a lot of funding from the C Club for sports and the performing arts/ arts have taken a toll. I know bands offered again and the program is being rebuilt- but what support do these programs have for funding or from the school? I had ideas and thoughts of starting a girls mentorship program for the middle and high school on Saturdays but due to the lack of communication from the superintendent and school board, i don't think i would receive the support or professionalism from the district to start the program.

Trade programs,eliminating state and federal testing teach basic skills,

Maybe some type after school program fun activities and tutoring

Too many to list

Life skills, more trade courses for students to learn to make a living after high school who cannot afford college

Close it.

Extra curricular programs at the elementary level.

Any to be honest

ROTC, more CTE opportunities, more interships/volunteer opps

Elementary clubs and athletics. Band throughout.

Creative writing, drama classes

Cooking, basic life skills?

Orchestra/band start for fourth and fifth graders

ROTC

I'm not sure what is currently being offered at the high school but encouraging trades would be recommended.

More for the students to do, more for iCampus students

we need more security staff and more opportunities for our students

NA

Special education

More Performing arts. Ex: more funding for band and drama.

More sports offered for elementary students.

more clubs at the elementary level

More elective options

Peer support mentors big brother/ sister program

More one on one help also with life issues going on more living and encouraging environment these children need more love I’m feeling and seeing

ASD support group

Social-Emotional support and Behavior support

Letting middle schoolers pick their electives

HVAC

Is there anything else you would like the district to know about your experiences, ideas, or concerns?

44 responses

No

Teachers being positive role models, putting for effort, tomato, the behavior that they want the children to go by. For example, no cell phone use then teachers should not be using their cell phone in class.

Not at this time.

My concern is my child was supposed to have testing for her IEP and I was told she won't be getting any testing done.

Hire more teachers of color

Very concerned how the School Board operates

I think that putting the students names and who their teachers are on the front windows is the complete opposite of safety. This needs to change immediately. Other districts in our area do not do this and it is a huge safety risk.

I just believe it's safer if the bus picks the kids up in front of the house we're going to be moving and where we move to they can't walk to the corner either corner it's just too far and I can hardly walk I am sick so I can barely walk and I'm not going to let them walk alone they were dropping them off at 10 Mile and Gratiot wanting them across 10 mile and walk down about a half a mile just to get to my niece's house but now they pick him up and drop them off at the corner gas station which is right across the street from my niece so that's fine but for the rest of the kids they're not close like that's a gas station they should not have to be out here walking in the dark to catch a bus they should be able to be picked up the kids that don't but they're not by a bus route the bus routes too far they should be able to be picked up I never had a problem with this issue ever when Linda Brook was here

The middle school is still neglected and promises were not kept.

Not at this moment

If I had a way to get my children to and from another school district, they wouldn't be in clintondale.

Bring back the middle school kids should not be in the same building as the high school kids!

no

N/A

I am so disappointed in the district. I am an alumni and know what this district has been through and come from. And this is NOT what i want for my children. I appreciate the wins the district has had- like bringing back the band program and starting the early college programs. But overall, this district is not transparent, not inclusive, not cooperative, does not follow its own policies or procedures, does not follow adequate communication for students. My child was sick with COVID and couldn't do missing assignments because it's all on the chrome books that they cannot bring home. My child broke her hand last year in school and she was sent back to class without anyone getting a hold of me or anyone on the emergency contact list. There are too many major failures for me to say i am happy and supportive of the district.

Upgrades for cleaning equipment. Quit cutting staff and making area/jobs bigger and harder. Hire people that are able to do the job. Quit blaming teachers for poor performance of students.

More teachers of color, The board meetings are embarrassing, too many people leaving,

Overall- the people who live in the neighborhoods do not feel connected to the district because they school of choice their kids elsewhere. CCS has essentially become a charter with a locally elected school board. The lack of a fair contract for teachers prevents acquiring and retaining high quality educators which impacts the overall district perception, day-to-day operations, and overall student outcomes. The residents, like my parents, who still live in the district boundaries would be better off if the district merged with Fraser, as it would greatly increase their property values. Currently, many of my parent's neighbors have no interest in supporting CCS because they send their children to Fraser, CV, or LC. I hope the leadership at the district level begins doing the right thing for kids and the taxpayers.

I'm worried that the district is not going to last much longer.

Better security, better building updates, better special education dept. hire more para-professionals to help the many children who are struggling

Time to consolidate with the neighboring schools ! Enough of the crazy embarrassing nonsense ! All children would have more opportunities to programs and friendships.

I love our teachers, but I hate the turnover that has been plaguing this district for the past few years. We need to get this contract settled and work on RETAINING teachers, not just hiring new ones.

My son has been enrollment less then 3 months. He has been verbally taunted by a teacher and observed your head football coach Owens verbally insulting and belittling players calling them weak and pathetic. We have started the process of seeking another school. Screaming and yelling is not an environment we want to be apart of. Young men need mentors not teachers verbally insulting them.

A CONTRACT for the teachers. Administation that responds to concerns. Disciplene with consequences

I'm concerned about the number of teachers who have left and continue to leave. You need to get the contract settled so we don't lose any more good teachers!

Very concerned about discipline issues monopolizing teachers' time. Upper admin. does not always enforce rules that are clearly stated in the Code of Conduct. Learning is sacrificed due to persistent insubordination and defiant behavior from some students. Every Clintondale student deserves a good education, but I am saddened by the fact that the quality education we promise is being thwarted by a small group of unruly students.

The district has failed 1 of my children and now with my 6th grader they are blue showing promise. I WILL be transferring her and my other 2 to a grade district after 5th grade.

I feel like my daughter is not getting a wide range of knowledge in fourth grade mainly just math. I wish she was learning more science and social studies and language arts and things of that nature more diverse learning for the seven hours she's there.

Smaller class sizes

I suggest a newsletter be sent out at least twice a year to keep the community members updated. The area has an older population and they are not all on social media. This will help spread positivity and possibly gain more support and volunteers.

The teachers deserve a FAIR contract, especially for all they have to deal with on a daily basis. Violent, aggressive students are running the schools! The well-behaved kids are forgotten and leave. It's all so sad. This district is failing everyone.

No

Contract and student behaviors, we lost so many teachers and students because of it.

I have been with the district 20+ years, I have seen many changes. I feel at one time we were a small community who really cared about our schools. Now with school of choice, parents don't care what is happening with our buildings, staff, etc., they are only outsiders looking in. Education is not important to many of the parents any more, and our tax dollars don't matter at all to them. The community really does not embrace our schools like they use to. Many of them send their students to other neighboring schools. All they hear are the bad things of our schools, no one contacts them about anything. I have had numerous neighbors have their students graduate from other districts and have neighbors who have their young students starting at other districts. We need to find a way to communicate with our neighbors about our schools other than a community paper.

Not sure

I’m concerned most about how my daughter has been treated even today my daughter was blocked from leaving three lunchroom buy a bully security guard asking her very intimate questions about why she has to go to the office when she just got done having major surgery telling her well. I don’t believe you things of that nature what is wrong with people today? She has doctors notes the whole principal office. Her teachers know I don’t know what was wrong with this lady Miss Tracie is her name.

The district needs to be proactive, not reactive.

My major concern is bullying and safety of the parking lot

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