

Community Input Meeting – November 9th Library 53 in attendance

Demographic Study

1. Comment: Demographic Study, does it just look at numbers? How does it factor in how the kids will be in the future? As an example, children that are born addicted to opioids.
2. Comment: Student population declining – the revenue streams will follow. Does this set you up for revenue issues? Will this be a challenge?
3. Comment: It is important for everyone to understand on the decline of the amount of students. There is nothing wrong with the schools. This is just what is happening in the community. The schools are doing terrific things.

Capacity Analysis

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Communication

1. Comment: My frustration as a parent. There is not a central place for me to find out information. I have to go to several different locations and website to find what I am looking for.
2. Comment: Is there a possibility that RCS will get more aggressive with information they share. Can they use TV and radio to get information out to the community? Community involvement is important.

General Comments

1. Comment: Are we seeing the same answers and trends for the survey across all meetings? Answer: Yes, seeing similarities as to what is important to the community.
2. Seems like you are looking at facilities and budget now and then programs will be next. What does that look like as we move forward?
3. What are the typical funding mechanisms that we are looking at for this?
4. The questions that we are being ask today can easily been sent through email. I feel like I have not had the opportunity to give my opinion. In the future, can we have a meeting with better comment times? I do not feel like I got the opportunity to say what I wanted in the hour and ten minutes I have been here.
5. I hope out of the box thinking will occur. Showers, spaces for clothing, etc. Hope that all things will be taken into consideration.

6. Will this powerpoint be available on the website at any time?

Programs

1. Comment: I have been hearing rumors about Logos being closed. What will happen to this program?
2. Comment: The Logos, Early College, etc should be available to all children and not just a certain population. We want all of our kids to have these opportunities and to be critical thinkers, not just the top percent of students. We all have a passion for our kids to have an excellent education.
3. Comment: Early College and Logos are very valuable to our community. I feel like they are a draw to Richmond community schools. The programs have kept me here. They are very positive, top notch programs. Wherever you put the programs, I feel like they should continue to be offered.

Technology

1. Comment: Challenge in classroom as we move to technology. Access to internet once they leave school. How do students learn outside of the classroom?
2. Comment: Pat Heiney shared that she will be going to a Meeting next week on how to get everyone in the community internet.