

Test Intermediate February 15, 2018 32 community members attended

The agenda for the evening is also posted on the RCS website

Everyone in attendance was assembled into small groups. Each agenda item was introduced with a brief explanation. Each group discussed items and notes were taken (Notes), and then the groups reported Out to everyone what had been discussed (Conversation)

Elementary Programs

Jennifer O'Brien and Sheila Hobbs– Conversation

Strengths

Preschool

Diversity of student population

Community Partnerships

General Education students interact with life skills students

Strength in the fact that we offer creative arts

Facilities

Transportation is offered

Consistency of curriculum across each elementary

Growth/like to see

How can we get more kids involved in preschool?

Changing needs of students (opioid addiction)

Like to see elementary have more exposure to...

Consistency of the clubs offered at each school

Jennifer O'Brien and Sheila Hobbs– Notes

Strengths

Hibberd

PreK in every building

Diversity of population

Partnerships – CIS, B&G Club, Centerstone, Girls, Inc

Interact with life skills at Hibberd

Creative Arts

Facilities – Greatly improved

Busses – offer transportation

Curriculum – consistency

Areas of Growth

Preschool – getting more kids in the buildings – what is coming – changing needs

Exposure to Career Tech Ed

Clubs consistency (extra-curricular)

Rob Tidrow and Stacy Mopps – Conversation

CYS is great program

Logos is good for high ability kids – challenging

Logos - Nice to have them in own building

Special ed needs services as well as high ability services

Would prefer prek in its own building

Creative arts is very important

Wrap around services is good

Chuck Reynolds – Conversation

Preschool like to see the program expanded

Preschool be at a centralized location

Separation for preschool – FIRST year play to learn – SECOND year academic focus

Preschool Start time – same as elementary start times

Like to see more growth in high ability

Kindergarten transition room that are age appropriate but struggling with kindergarten skills

English language services – expanded services especially for students new to the district

Creative arts – expand with Robotics

Chuck Reynolds– Notes

Like all day Pre School

Centralized Pre School

Level Pre School – K-readiness/social skills

Start time same as elementary

High Ability is under utilized

Better high ability in elementary

Possibility to include high ability in general education buildings

K-transition room

EL social program expanded services

Keep creative arts! Expand if possible

Expand specials – example Technology

Intermediate Programs

Jennifer O'Brien and Shelia Hobbs – Conversation

Strengths

Early college program at intermediate level

Hibberd building is unique

Students to co-mingle with students from different programs

Intermediate students' compete with a variety of academic teams

Partnerships that are formed with local businesses - would like to see that with all students

Transportation for after school programs (Girls inc, etc)

Area of need

Would like to see transportation for kids who do not have a ride home from clubs, teams, etc

Increase opportunities

STEAM promoted

Character promoted

Would like to see

Robotics

Kids exposed to internships and business classes

Jennifer O'Brien and Sheila Hobbs– Notes

Strengths

Early College

Hibberd buildings is a unique, choice options for programs, co-mingle

Partnerships – business, parks, and universities (Open up opportunities)

Teams-Athletics

Creative Arts

After school care transported

Only Early College program in Indiana

Areas of Growth

Increased opportunities for creative arts

STEAM promoted

Transportation – after school offerings

Value, attitude, character – Education

Would Like to see.....

Robotics

Exposure to possibilities

CIS at Hibberd

Internships

Career explorations

Business classes – keyboarding

Media Specialist at Hibberd

Rob Tidrow and Stacy Mopps – Conversation

Like a resource room for students to cool off

EL students need a designated place – would help them feel welcome

Would like to see more high ability challenge opportunities for students that attend Dennis and Test

Like having 3 – 4 at Hibberd - challenging them to be prepared for their future

Grades 3 – 8 at Hibberd is good

Life skills with General Ed students is a good thing

Growth area

Students who don't go to Hibberd feel left behind

Would like to see foreign language in our intermediate schools

Rob Tidrow and Stacy Mopps – Notes

Resource room for students to cool off

ENL – need more help with space. Students with other language than Spanish

Baxter building – cant do this in a general ed building

Need more available for high ability at Dennis and Test

Community Service at Hibberd

Hibberd 3-8 building

Hibberd Life Skills with general ed

Need foreign language at intermediates

Successes for Exceptional Ed

Baxter to serve kids that struggle in regular school setting

LOGOS for high ability learners being in own building

Both ends of the spectrum help for students

Special Ed help available for students

Pre-K – prefer own building

Creative Arts

Specialties in the buildings

CIS is amazing – needs more hours

Chuck Reynolds – Conversation

Positive

Additional services that are provided for all students (counselors, etc), family services

Class sizes are good

Diversity of buildings is a positive

Would like to see..

Addition of services for high achieving students

Service learning projects is a great success – expand

Clubs - expand

Creative arts – expand

Chuck Reynolds – Notes

Services for students..comm. staff, etc

Appearance of class size is large

High Ability is a positive at Hibberd

Like to see high ability services in all schools

Diversity is a positive

Positive is services for high ability kids

Service Learning

Clubs – more to be involved

Expand creative arts

High School Programs

Jennifer O'Brien and Sheila Hobbs– Conversation

Strengths

Teachers

Options available for students to attend local colleges

Chamber luncheon – toured building interacted with students

Growth

Transition of students – not treating freshman the same as seniors

Expansion in staffing for early college – expanded support for early college

Being green – reducing waste – see salad bar and more food options

9th grade academy – do we need to look at the need of this

HS students have the option to serve at a clericals – give them the option to serve as teaching assistants

Would like to see service learning projects expanded

Jennifer O'Brien and Sheila Hobbs– Notes

Strengths

Award winning

Class offerings (PLTW, Biomed, Journalism, Girls in class)

Options to go to local colleges

CTE Apprenticeships

Extra Curricular

Early college (one of 19)

Partnerships

Chamber Noon Luncheon

Teachers

Areas of Growth

Transition of seniors – earn privileges

Early college – support, staffing, class offerings

Be Green – educate on waste

Menu offerings – salad bar

Health education/coaching

Appreciate education – character, etc

Would like to see...

9th grade academy???

Teacher assistants – strength areas

Service learning

Rob Tidrow and Stacy Mopps – Conversation

Like the diversity, choices and internships at the HS

Prepare 8th graders for 9th grade – parent need more info sent home

HOSA camps is good for 8th grade to become familiar with the High School

Fire training is a positive

RAM - positive

Alternative Ed program is good – separates students that are not ready for general ed

High School prepares student for college

Offer Agriculture

Theatre – expand to every semester

Help Music students be prepared for auditioning phase

Rob Tidrow and Stacy Mopps – Notes

Diversity in choices

PLTW internship

Opportunities

8th graders getting great info – parents not getting it

Connections with higher education

Dual Credits

HOSA camps

Career Ed – fire dept – Need an Ag class

Music, Arts, Journalism

Facilities (RAM)

Prepared for higher ed

Can we offer Agriculture class?

More consistent with crossover for theater

Prepare students for auditioning

Diversity

Chuck Reynolds – Conversation

Positives

Pathways

Richmond Career Center offers 18 different pathways - directly to workforce with specific set of skills

Culinary arts

Business partnerships – would like to continue to expand

Arts programs visual arts, performing arts

Dual credit courses

Biomed is outstanding program

Like to see..

Block schedule, classes that last 90 minutes

Transition from Hibberd to HS – how can we better serve those students during transition

Chuck Reynolds – Notes

Positives

Graduation rate

Vocational Programs – 18 pathways

RACC (Like to add culinary arts)

Business partnerships

Arts programs

Dual credit courses and Bio Med program

Diversity

Teams and Clubs

Like to see...

Need more students in extra curricular

Block scheduling

Transition program going from Hibberd to High School

Grade Configurations

Jennifer O'Brien and Sheila Hobbs– Conversation

Separate preschool center?

6 – 8 grade together

Like 3 -8 grade together

8th grade honor students go to High School?

Jennifer O'Brien and Sheila Hobbs– Notes

Elementary PK-4

Separate PK space

5th grade mature

4th graders see themselves as leaders

Age appropriate – separate

Intermediate/Middle 5-8 (3-8)

6th grade does well with 7/8

High School 9-12

Honors 8th grade to high school?

Hibberd 3-8

Rob Tidrow and Stacy Mopps – Notes

Primary bldg. Pk-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12

9-12 with honors at high school

Chuck Reynolds Reynolds – Conversation

Don't like 8th grade in High School

Chuck Reynolds Reynolds – Notes

Prek-2, 3-5, 6-8

Focus on programming

Developmentally more appropriate

Socially more appropriate

Prek in its own school

7-8-9 building

Extra-Curricular Programs

Jennifer O'Brien and Sheila Hobbs– Conversation

Positives

Unique facility's that help support extra-curricular

Sports is not a pay to play

Field trip offerings – college visits or trips to DC or overseas

Would like to see...

Pool and weight rooms – open to community?

Hibberd Pool – open to community?

Hibberd sports teams – participate as Hibberd school

Update intermediate uniform

Transportation for students to practice

Would like a grant writer

Jennifer O'Brien and Sheila Hobbs– Notes

Strengths

Choices/Interests/Abilities

Willing Staff/Volunteers

Unique Facilities

Free to students – local colleges

Community support

Field Trips – DC, etc

Like to see...

RHS Community Facility use – stipends for staff

Grant writer

Hibberd sports team

Apply for grants for uniforms

Concerns

Updating facilities

Pool at Hibberd

Transportation

Uniforms for intermediate

Uniform grade requirements at Intermediates

Chuck Reynolds – Conversation

Credit for participates for extra-curricular

Add intermediate drama club

Community involvement and increase community with clubs and athletics

Creative Teachers all in one school

Club that Focus on emotional well-being of student

Revitalize Peer Tutors

Free athletic tickers for students – giveaway – encourage students to attend

Ycare is a positive

Chuck Reynolds – Notes

Credit for participating in extra curricular

Intermediate drama club

Getting community partners involved in extra curricular

Having specials teachers in one school

Increase community involvement

More clubs focusing on emotional well-being

Peer tutoring/club mentor

Student incentives to attend

Y-care is a positive

Would like to see...

Before school care

Rob Tidrow and Stacy Mopps – Conversation

Need a 4-H club

Get STEM technologies

Robotics at elementary is a positive

Expand clubs funding

Communication to parents the opportunities available

Make sure calendar is updated and has all events listed around district

Hire the best football coach - build the feeder programs

Offer Hibberd teams

Positives – coaches are involved with students in academics

Rob Tidrow and Stacy Mopps – Notes

Need a 4-H and STEM programming and budget for teacher sponsor

Robotics Club at elementary

Expand clubs and funding

Communicate what clubs are offered to parents

Add events on calendars

Hire the best football coach

Hibberd teams