

GT Advisory Board Meetings  
December 14, 2016

- View Survey Results for current middle level and high school students/ parents also previous parents and students.
- Introductions
- Back Story: Advanced K rather than identifying GT students as kindergarten ( last year initiatives)
- This year looking towards secondary program- transitions to high school
- Survey went out 3 weeks ago
- Data indicates: 86 respondents, HS- 17 MSS-27, HSS-17, MSP-18, PHP-7 ( total GT students 294)
- Primary questions- offerings, does it meet the needs,
  - Does it meet the needs: 50% is meeting, 22% said it is not, 14% neutral, 11% did not respond
  - I would like high schools to offer the opportunities for GT students: 66% said need, 20% neutral,
  
- Lunch bunch: 50 % ok
- Before and after school club: 46%, 29% neutral
- GT specific class: 22% no, 60% yes, 18% neutral
- Social Support Group: 32% no, 44% yes, 23% neutral
- Emotional Support Group: 36% yes, 40% no,
- Continuing with current options: 8% no, 65% yes, 12% neutral
- Self-contained GT program: 32% no, 39% yes, 12% neutral
  
- I would like to know more about ( conversations with someone ahead of time)
- Placement and scheduling: 14% no, 17% neutral
- Advanced courses: 10% no, 80% yes, 10% neutral
- IB, AP, or PIC: 14% no, 68% yes, 16% neutral
- BOCES: 3% no answer, 8% no, 76% yes, 11% neutral
- Concurrent enrollment: 2%, 12%, 73% yes
- Early Graduation: 58% yes , 24% no, 17% neutral
- Self Contained discussion: 43% yes
  
- Comments have not been released yet.They will be once time has been given towards removing names, etc.
- People are happy with what they have but room for improvement (J. Ward)
- Family of middle school parents are apprehensive because they are not sure what is offered, communication may be lacking
- Narrowing down some of the options and try to get possibly a couple of things in place for next year (D.M)
- Funding is being looked at so we are having conversations about current funding structures and how that will look like in the budget- carve out allocations within the high school ( collaborative work between high school teachers). (W. Wilcox)
- Missed kids getting together with GT kids when at Dean Morgan now at KW (W. Doney)

- Survey has identified some of the holes within the system some room for improvement across the settings.
- Success with CY program has led to a link to what will happen at the high school level. (W. Wilcox)
- Options/Feedback:
  - Opportunities for improvement- inconsistent gaps lacking in support
  - Orientations for middle school for high school- principals looking towards planning some activities.
  - Looking towards one GT counselor for each secondary level school
  - A place where there is available information about GT students and their needs (resources) Expertise has already been recorded (D.M)
  - Parents and students meet with counselors ahead of time in eighth grade to establish a high school plan
  - Build some solution to what has been presented by the data of the survey- ways to approach in a systematic way (W. Wilcox) working with cabinet, etc.
  - Have current high school GT students mentor younger GT students.
  - Discuss and create an action plan with timelines. Look at immediate needs and letting schools have some ownership for their GT students.
  - The layout of availability of all upper level courses: BOCES, etc.

Plus: Productive meeting, quick actions taken

Appreciate the proactiveness

Appreciate efficiency

Kudos for Charlotte

Help of having Walt in our meetings

Effort that this group is working positively

Moving forward with ideas to help our high school students

Appreciate the dedication of employees and the program has done great things

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(visitor comment)

Thank you for district work- support for next year ninth graders

Group

We have a K-12 focus

Delta: District needs to work to improve some factors with the GT students

Something has been missed, current middle school students are very different than those

Of the past students as a GT community has failed. ( visitor comment) Advisory board is

Not meeting academic needs.

Not pleased with the survey ( visitor comment)

Did not have clear understanding of the survey