



**KSD Budget Consultation
Survey 2021**
Themes from comments

STAFFING - 17% comments

attracting teachers/ recruitment of more teachers
more qualified staff/ trained staff
trained staff to work with students with disabilities
academic support EAs (ie. help with high math)
Increase in EA support/ positions
supports for teaching staff
specialized staffing
adequate number teachers to meet needs/ more teaching staff
access to additional supports, clinicians, specialists
equitable among schools according to needs
addressing staff shortages
reduce administrators
reduce EAs
reduce Librarians
full time staff instead of contracts is cost effective

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES - 11% comments

quality programs
individual needs/ personal needs/ differentiation
engaging
funding
supports for teachers
increased resources/ varied resources for needs/ student supplies
fair access/ opportunities
small class sizes

EDUCATIONAL VARIETY - 13 % comments

variety of programs/ more programs
balanced curriculum
outdoor/ environmental studies
arts and music education
quality sports
increased civic/social responsibility
increased reading/math/writing/science
university entrance courses/ enrichment
extra-curricular activities
prepares students for post-secondary programs/ future
employability/ soft skills
rigors of curriculum/ meeting all needs
academics and social learning
flexibility
education to meet future goals/needs/ grad requirements
trades and vocational programs
tech programs
swim program
culinary arts/ life skills programs

INNOVATION - 9 % comments

leadership/leading in new ways
timetables for success
efficient use of staff & resources
new business practices/ data collection systems/ strategic planning
adapting and making changes in schools
online subscription/ online classroom resources
electronic/online division systems for employees
staff access to updated technology

teacher prep times
assessments
reduce paper and copy use/ increase digital
remove drivers ed services from high school

COMMUNITY & SUPPORTS - 8% comments

access to before & after school programs
resources to families
maintain community-based school board
family engagement in schools
connection and pride to community
snow removal/ clearing
increase taxes
supports to child care facilities
truancy officer
accessible parking/ handicap parking
connectivity/ access to internet
students' go home for lunch periods
fee for lunch supervision for remaining at school
parents buying own school supplies

centralized division systems
staff attrition or staff redundancy reduction for specialized staff
updated technology to modernize services
contracted divisional services
sharing of spaces/ looking at how you utilize spaces and resources
Adult Education amalgamated with UCN
Meeting/ in-service/ PD by virtual format to save money

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT - 7 % comments

training for staff/ PD opportunities
training to support struggling students
differentiation in the classroom
mental health (stress, anxiety, depression, emotional needs)
assessment
cultural awareness
addressing gaps in learning
staff upgrades in learning/ training
behavioral needs
EAs support for learning disabilities

SPECIAL EDUCATION - 7% comments

increased communication
meeting needs in special education/ learning disabilities
supports/services to those who need attention
life skills/ contribution to community
inclusion/ at-risk students support
access to clinicians
small classes to meet needs
in town specialists/ specialized positions
resources for high needs
wheelchair accessibility to schools
reduction to services

SAFETY & SCHOOLS - 5% comments

air ventilation
heating and ventilation
warm, welcoming schools
positive school and classroom culture
safe crosswalks
safe school
well maintained facilities
increased supervision
anti-bullying programs
furniture and playground upgrades

CORE SUBJECTS - 3% comments

Literacy: Skills improvement/ focus/ reading & writing
Numeracy: Skills improvement/ focus

HEALTH AND WELLNESS - 6% comments

mental health
breakfast program/ snacks for students
physical activities/ active living/ outdoor activities
healthy life habits
focus on the child
addictions counseling

TECHNOLOGY/ ACCESS TO TECH - 4% comments

varied programs to access learning
tech access in high school classes
software to meet learning needs/learning disability needs
software to assist with reading
support to students & staff
improved/ better technology/ upgrading
strategic long-term plan
online classes as alternate option

RURAL FUNDING - 3% comments

RECOVERY LEARNING 2% comments

TRANSPORTATION - 2% comments

increased bussing
bussing for young students
reduction if bus services
outside bussing services

DIVERSITY - 1% comments

cultural awareness/ acceptance
LBGTQ

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION - under 1% comments

more focus on programs

ATTENDANCE - 2% comments

LANGUAGE LEARNING – 1% comments

French immersion/ French Learning
French staffing

COMMUNICATION - under 1% comments

social media on current event
learning goals for home supports