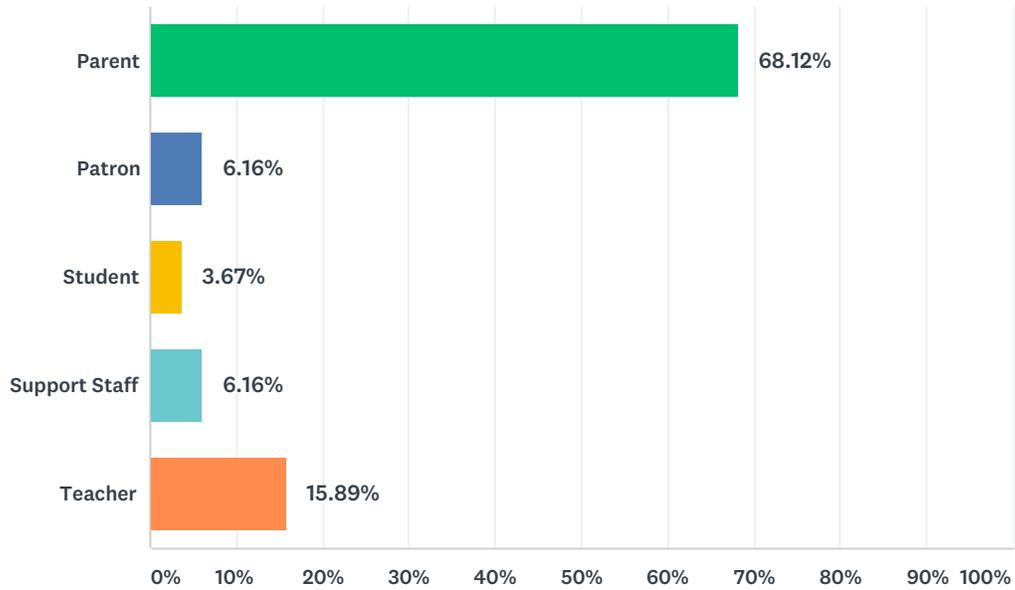


Q1 Which best describes your connection to the Yankton School District?

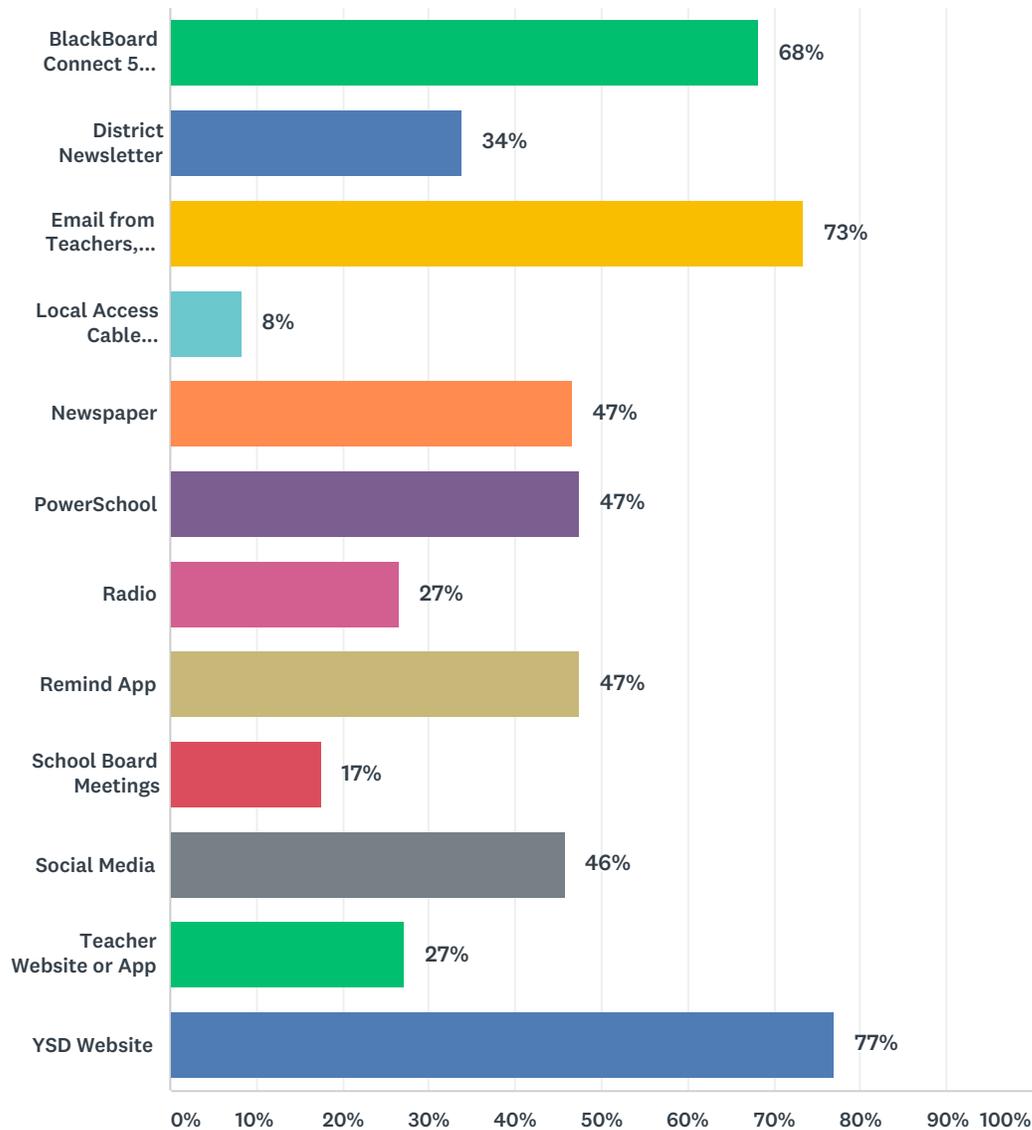
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Parent	68.12%	686
Patron	6.16%	62
Student	3.67%	37
Support Staff	6.16%	62
Teacher	15.89%	160
TOTAL		1,007

Q2 Which of the following types of communication from the Yankton School District have you utilized? (select all that apply)

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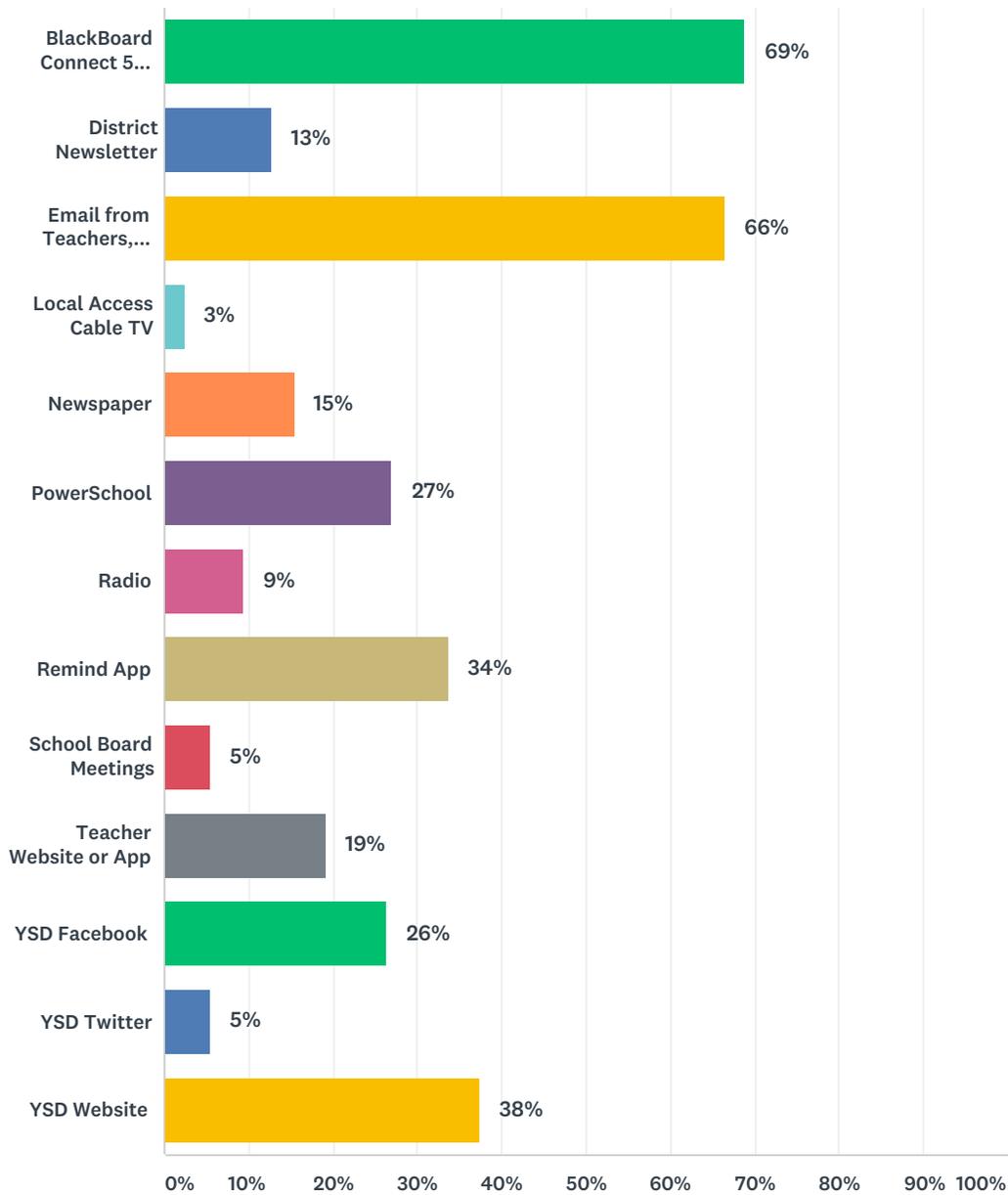
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
BlackBoard Connect 5 (Phone, Text, and Email)	68%	686
District Newsletter	34%	342
Email from Teachers, Counselors, or Principals	73%	740
Local Access Cable Television	8%	84
Newspaper	47%	470
PowerSchool	47%	478
Radio	27%	267

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Remind App	47%	478
School Board Meetings	17%	176
Social Media	46%	462
Teacher Website or App	27%	274
YSD Website	77%	776
Total Respondents: 1,007		

Q3 How do you prefer to receive information regarding the education of your child as part of the Yankton School District?

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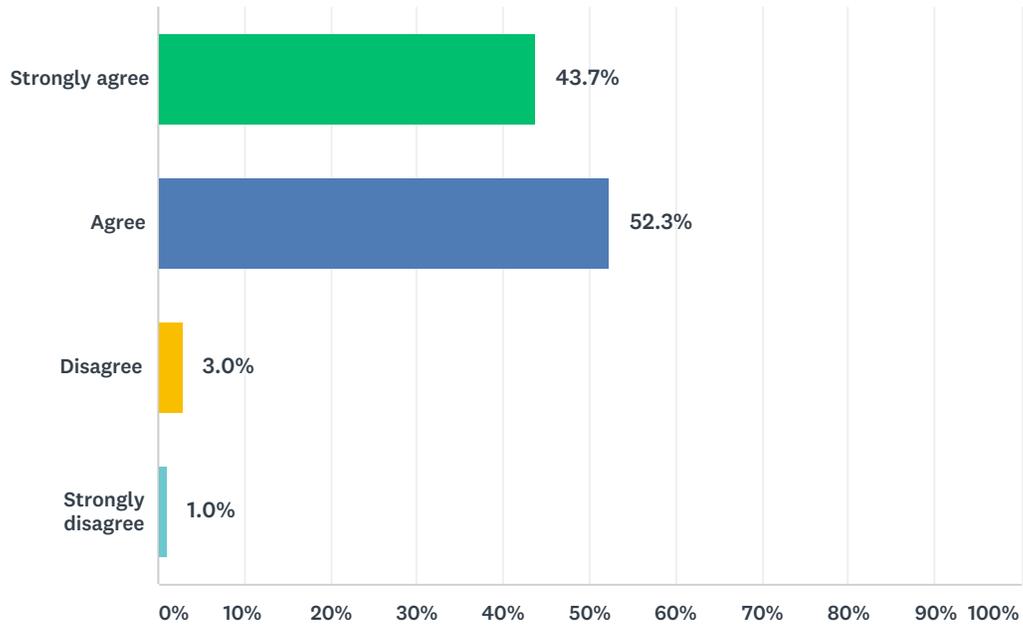
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
BlackBoard Connect 5 (Phone, Text, Email)	69%	694
District Newsletter	13%	129
Email from Teachers, Counselors, or Principals	66%	669
Local Access Cable TV	3%	26
Newspaper	15%	155

Yankton School District Strategic Planning Survey October 18, 2018 - November 2, 2018

PowerSchool	27%	272
Radio	9%	94
Remind App	34%	340
School Board Meetings	5%	54
Teacher Website or App	19%	194
YSD Facebook	26%	265
YSD Twitter	5%	55
YSD Website	38%	378
Total Respondents: 1,007		

Q4 The Yankton School District has effective communication.

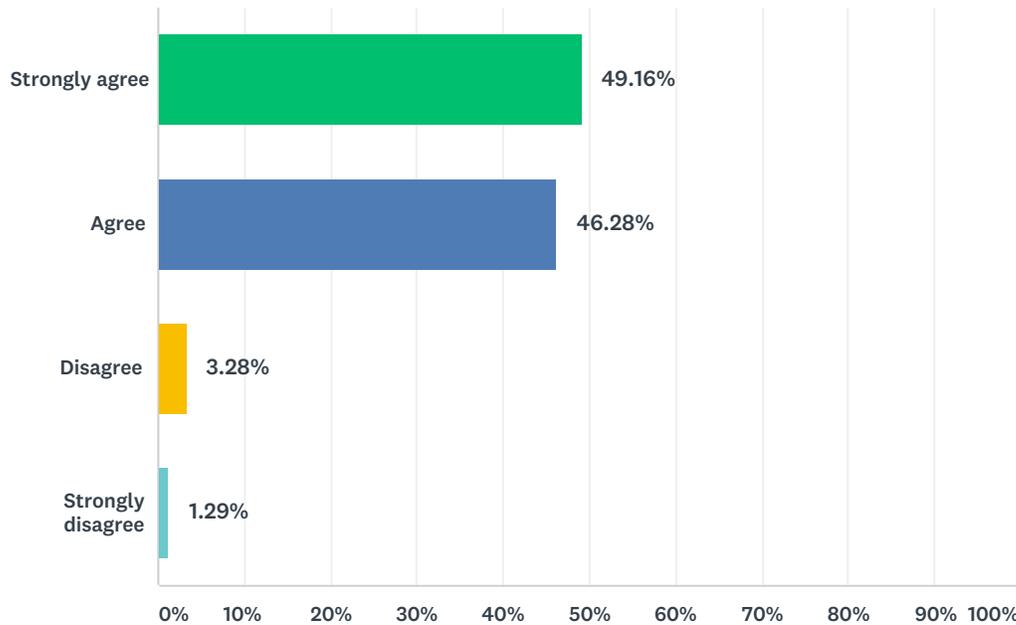
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	43.7%	440
Agree	52.3%	527
Disagree	3.0%	30
Strongly disagree	1.0%	10
TOTAL		1,007

Q5 The Yankton School District provides a safe environment for students (by having) building safety vestibules, bus cameras, caring staff, a full-time SRO (School Resource Officer), lock down drills, school cameras, school safety drills, school safety plans, etc.

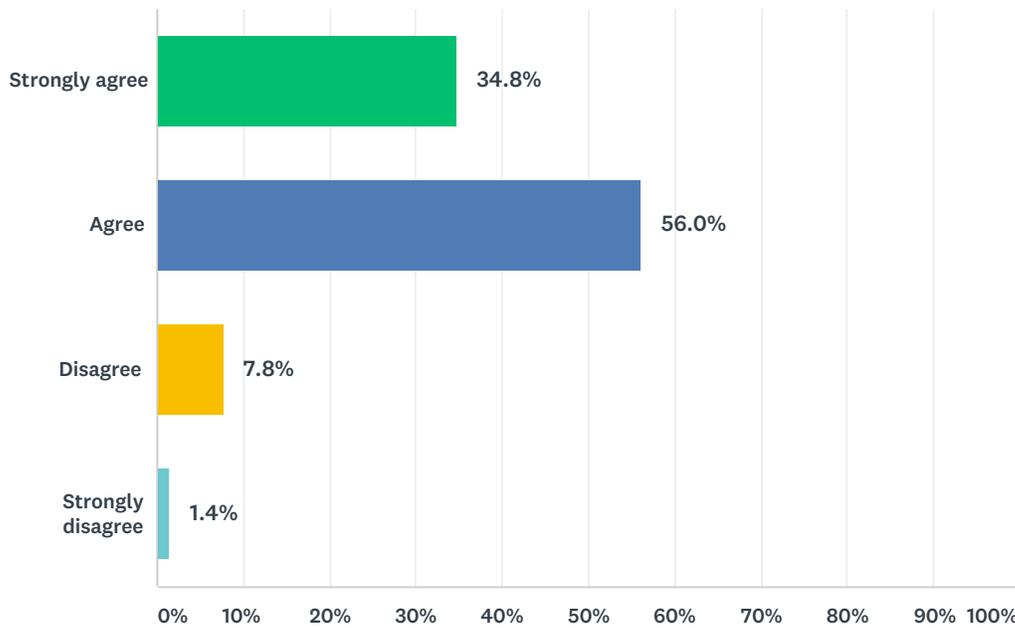
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	49.16%	495
Agree	46.28%	466
Disagree	3.28%	33
Strongly disagree	1.29%	13
TOTAL		1,007

Q6 The Yankton School District provides support to parents, staff, and students through the development of safety programs (such as) anti-bullying programs, DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education), School Prevention Specialist, See Something Say Something, and Stand Up for School Safety.

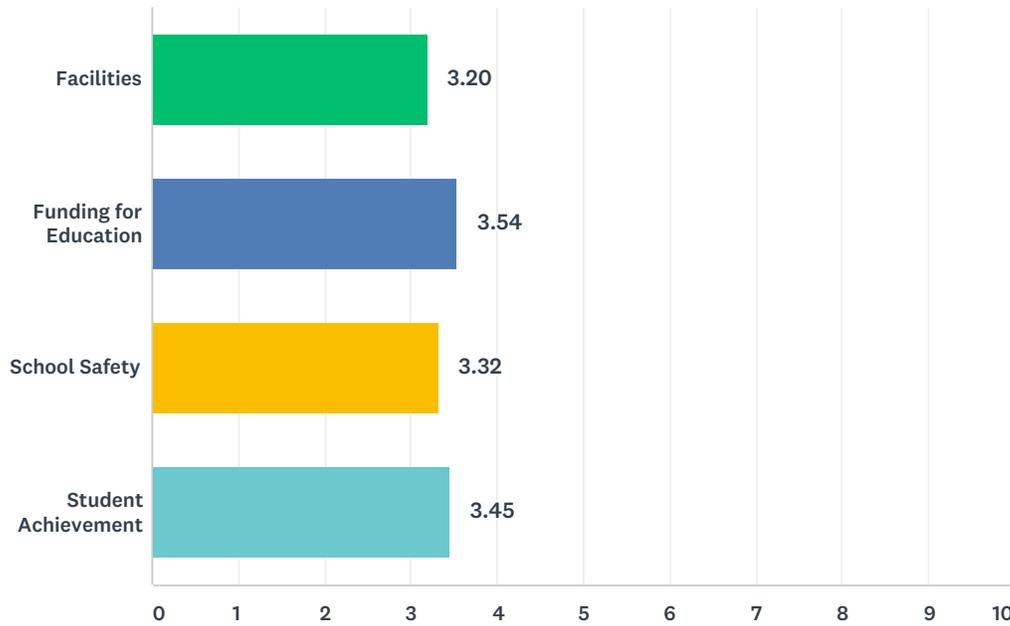
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	34.8%	350
Agree	56.0%	564
Disagree	7.8%	79
Strongly disagree	1.4%	14
TOTAL		1,007

Q7 The following are areas the Yankton School District believe need to be addressed in Forward 2024. Please indicate your level of agreement with each area.

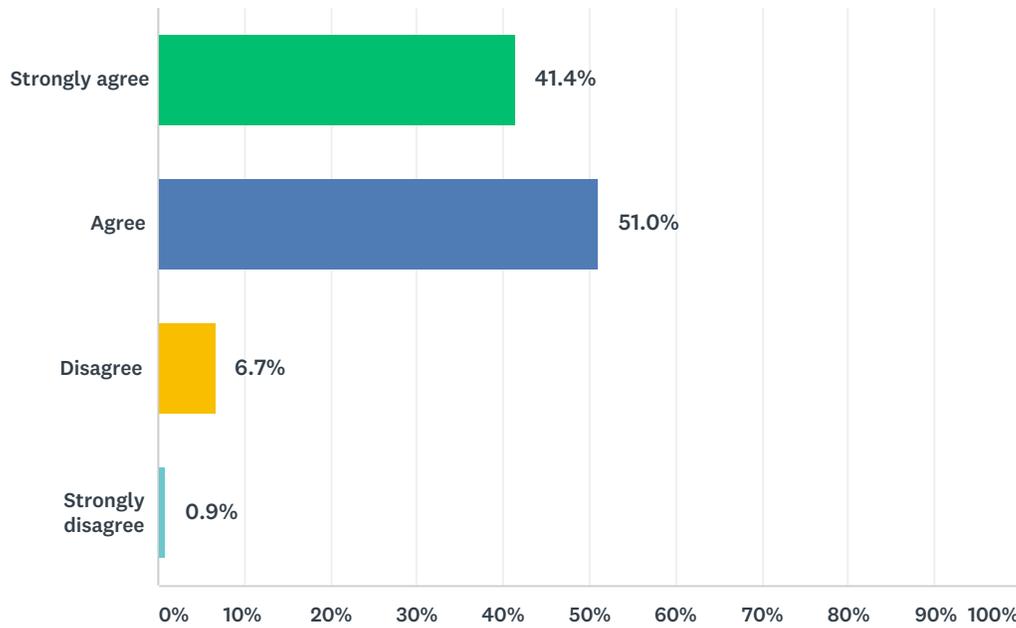
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	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Facilities	34.56% 348	52.23% 526	12.21% 123	0.99% 10	1,007	3.20
Funding for Education	58.59% 590	37.24% 375	3.67% 37	0.50% 5	1,007	3.54
School Safety	40.62% 409	51.74% 521	6.65% 67	0.99% 10	1,007	3.32
Student Achievement	49.95% 503	45.48% 458	4.37% 44	0.20% 2	1,007	3.45

Q8 The students in the Yankton School District receive a quality education for the dollars invested by our patrons.

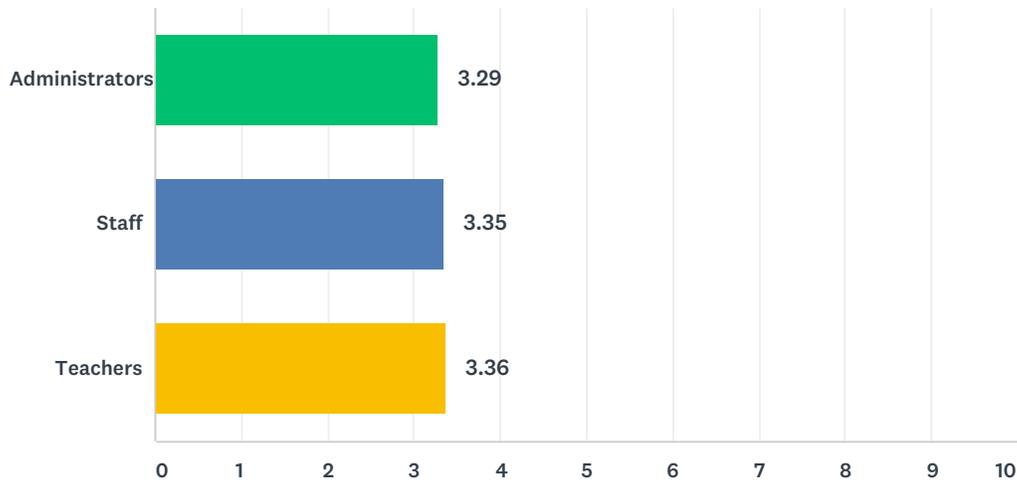
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	41.4%	417
Agree	51.0%	514
Disagree	6.7%	67
Strongly disagree	0.9%	9
TOTAL		1,007

Q9 The Yankton School District models honesty, quality leadership, respect, and trust.

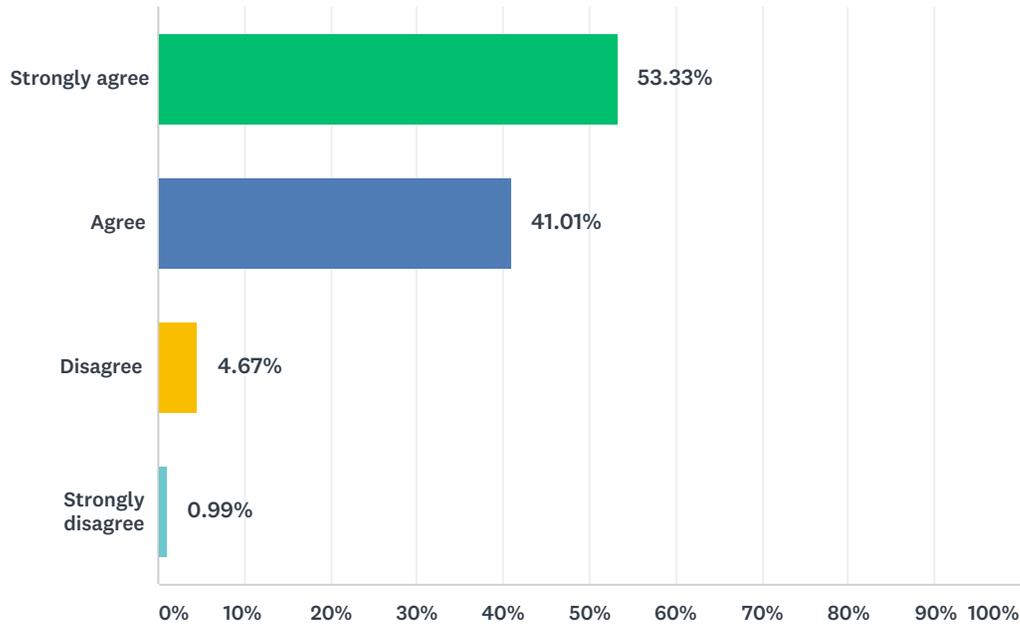
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	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Administrators	40% 401	51% 515	8% 76	1% 15	1,007	3.29
Staff	40% 404	55% 555	4% 41	1% 7	1,007	3.35
Teachers	43% 435	51% 509	5% 54	1% 9	1,007	3.36

Q10 I am proud to be part of the Yankton School District.

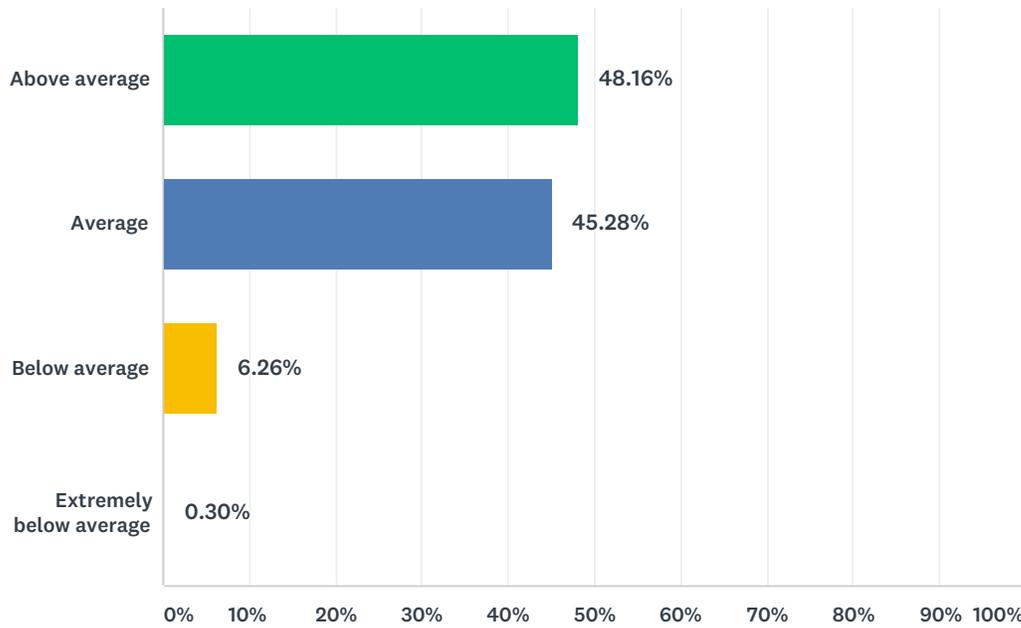
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	53.33%	537
Agree	41.01%	413
Disagree	4.67%	47
Strongly disagree	0.99%	10
TOTAL		1,007

Q11 Rank the education students in the Yankton School District receive in comparison to other schools in South Dakota.

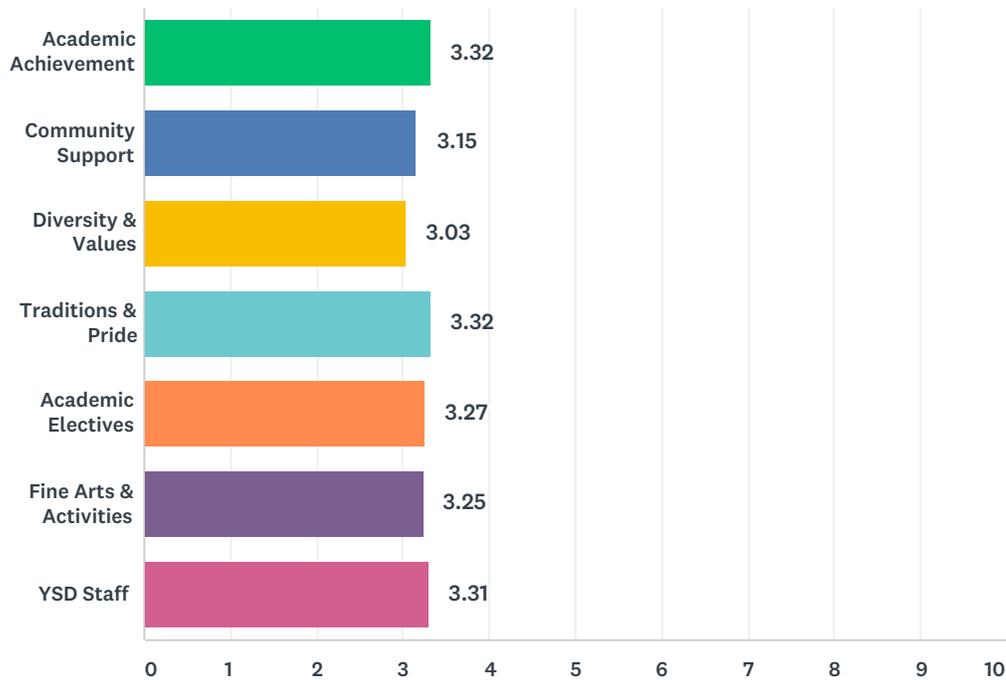
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Above average	48.16%	485
Average	45.28%	456
Below average	6.26%	63
Extremely below average	0.30%	3
TOTAL		1,007

Q12 Please rate the qualities you would use when recommending the Yankton School District to others?

Answered: 1,007 Skipped: 0



	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	LEAST RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Academic Achievement	40.02% 403	53.53% 539	5.06% 51	1.39% 14	1,007	3.32
Community Support	31.58% 318	54.22% 546	12.21% 123	1.99% 20	1,007	3.15
Diversity & Values	22.14% 223	61.27% 617	14.30% 144	2.28% 23	1,007	3.03
Traditions & Pride	41.61% 419	50.35% 507	6.26% 63	1.79% 18	1,007	3.32
Academic Electives	36.94% 372	53.82% 542	8.14% 82	1.09% 11	1,007	3.27
Fine Arts & Activities	36.44% 367	53.33% 537	9.04% 91	1.19% 12	1,007	3.25
YSD Staff	40.42% 407	52.53% 529	5.16% 52	1.89% 19	1,007	3.31

Q13 Share any academic programs or staffing needs you believe should be added to the Yankton School District, as part of Forward 2024. (200 character limit)

Answered: 471 Skipped: 536

Additional resources for behavioral & special ed challenges
Study skills and organizational skiing for 5th grade. There is homework to the extent that my student is doing homework until 9:30 pm as a 10 year old
Support for math for elementary students during school hours
More tutoring offers
Better tutorial programs/opportunities for struggling students (e.g. C or below)
More music and more PE
Culinary Arts
Respect for self and others. Parents need to be held accountable
More support for parents to help kids w/common core math homework
Behavioral Interven Spec, Foreign Lang (Spanish) for Elem, increasing accessibility to STEAM programs to more participants, better communication with parents from teachers, consistent grading (MS)
We need to reinvent education! Not all children learn the same. We need to find better ways to trigger the attention of every student. We need to focus less on standardized tests!
Advance skills in clubs ie chess club find a chess master. Spanish club as an immersion experience. Spanish instructor plus a second fluent Spanish speaker present so actual conversations occur.
Possibly "modify" the policy of being able to use coaches or advisors for various YSD positions, even if they are not a specific school employee
Update technology in middle school
A Fortnite club
More para help.
I think having a para in every kindergarten classroom would be incredibility beneficial as well as a nurse for every building.
A higher learning or gifted program for elementary students
math support for elementary students
Extra curricular activities for young school age
Better teachers with more training
Main streaming and having mentor programs with Special needs kids and kids that are less popular
Realistic active shooter drills
Need to add programs that get our kids exposure to things like STEMs, Cyber Security and Medical field classes
Transportation b/w RTECH & High School. & transport to offsite practices is key.
Less testing! Add French and environmental studies. More Art.
Smaller Class sizes
Support staff takes on so many jobs but pay does not go up with it
ESL teachers
science olympiad
More lessons on healthy coping skills and life skills.
Aerospace Engineering Program! Kids ages 8-18 would build model planes.
Staffing/program for failing students (Saturday reinforcement/detention?)
Continue to watch classroom size. Continue to update facilities, There are many landscaping needs for most of the attendance centers.
ProStart program through South Dakota Retailers Association or a Culinary Arts program like the CTE in Sioux Falls School District
They talked about adding a religion class, I would like to see that offered as an elective.
Never get rid of the Arts!!!!
elementary math tutors
Quit focusing just on sports!!!
Art, Music
I beleive there needs to be more at school help for students that might just me behind a bit (after school work sessions) more than one day a week
We need some kind of program in the elementary grades to help students who are struggling in math...like Title 1 Math.
More AP courses, additional language options, full time elementary art teacher
Home Ec and Woods class in middle school. Life lessons-sewing, cooking, using tools, etc...
More opportunities for middle schoolers to take Spanish. My child unable to for two years
More programs around bullying it's gotten so bad
Programs to help struggling students graduate with work skills

Smaller class size, more teachers on playground to watch bullying, need buddy benches, start orchestra and band at earlier age, theater and arts programs at younger age

Tutoring for math programs

Consider a para for each classroom to assist teachers, especially with those that may require additional attention

Theater, art classes, smaller class sizes. More teachers on playground to watch bullying issues...buddy benches at schools, orchestra and band lessons at younger age.

More special Ed activity

1 on 1 paras for autistic children. salaried subs so paras don't need to scramble to cover

More Tech programs and preparation

Art. Teacher support. Personal trainer for activities other than football.

Basic auto care in middle school

Smaller classroom size(student to teacher ratio), childrens theatre, more field trips, additional music awareness

More speaking, theater and verbal communication opportunities

Additional educators bto help the kids with homework before and after school

Science Olympiad

Additional programs for children with disabilities as need is increasing. (behavioral programs, autism specific program, etc.).

Somehow more monitoring of online bullying.

continued programing and staff for individuals with special needs ond/or disabilities.

life skills required classes to teach fundamental needs- budgeting, financial management, employment soft skills

Anti bullying programs at all Elementary Schools

Math Tutoring or tutoring options

Classes relating to STEM and maybe leadership.

Each building needs at least one IT resource person on location & available.

lower student to teacher ratios

more leway with what you can do and say

Thank you for the improvements on safety. Please continue to focus on that.

Foreign language opportunities in elementary schools.

report cards at the middle school and high school levels that reflect learning (academic grades) - other reports for behavior

Emphasis especially needs to be placed upon increasing the variety of opportunities available to the students and making sure the students are aware of them.

Nurses and guidance counselors!

I would like to see a change with the lunch program and food options for the kids.

I would like to see more development of the music programs at MS and HS level and appropriate staff acquired to enable lessons for all 6-8 grade students.

we need an additional band instructor to assist in lessons in grades 7-12 & 5th grade band

Treat all High School sports the same.

Gaming class

More fine arts and art education starting in elementary school.

Additional SPED teachers to handle the numbers of students in need.

Classroom teacher input should be a part of paraprofessional evaluation.

Elem. students having outbursts-clearly need help. What about those who have to sit and wait while teachers deal with the struggles of a few. Add qualified staff to help!

Teachers should be reviewed to be sure they are teaching effectively. Some are better than others. They should treat students, parents and others with respect in and outside of school.

Teaching them against cyber crimes how to avoid them

Para or Teaching Assistants for Middle School Math teachers. Summer continuity programs in STEM & reading related courses at school facilities.

Official translator available to the buildings to translate notes home to parents from teachers and also from the school.

More art education in the middle school and high school

School nurse needed in each building along with art instructor and technology support/instruction. Also more special education staff needed with a behavior self-contained program in each building

Assistant Special Education Director, Early Childhood Director, smaller class sizes in kindergarten and lower, more support staff in lower level grades

Better fine arts staffing; after many years as a leader in music, for example, we don't even have a fulltime band director.

School counselors, school nurses, middle school staff

Incorporating more education on drugs and alcohol use. The hiring of educators to teach the classes who have reputable backgrounds and can connect with students.

replace Beadle

Student mentoring program for new students and those which need extra help socially.

Teachers need to have the same work load! Skimping on teachers leads to burnout. Look back the staffing numbers and see what had NOT been brought back. Seems like more and more is expected from As the facility maintenance needs increase personnel is stretched thin.

Elementary inter murals, more counselors and behavior specialists

I appreciated the email about vaping. Seems like more may need to be done.

Strengthen music programs, elem art teachers

Art in the elementary schools,

Kids need a "real life" class. Teach them to count back change, balance a check book, change a tire, etc. Basic things they are not taught anymore.

elementary math tutors

Bullying and racism is a HUGE issue. And it's not enough to say you have programs.

30 minute gym periods for PE

Social Worker, Nurses

Special needs sports

The attendance office appears to be running overtime. It appears that students with discipline problems should be in a separate area with separate personnel.

Continue working on the safety of children

Educate teachers. Engagement of students = learning/success-30+ math probs nightly doesn't. Math at the HS level is the weakest....engagement....not drill and kill.

Kids need more physical activity, free play, and music. Studies show all of these promote learning, yet they are the first to be cut from programs.

classroom teachers for smaller class sizes and art teachers at elementary levels

need more staffing in Special Education

Tech teacher in the elementary buildings & 1-2 more nurses to serve our buildings

More activities for boys k-5. Our daughter has been active with girls on the run but our son needs something like that activity too!!

could coaching not be a part of the teacher contract? separate persons for after-school responsibilities. curriculum which allows for the more advanced thinker and independent thinker?

Increased communication between the teacher/parents early in the year to see how students are adjusting. Provide opportunities for students to learn names. Less time spent on standardized tests.

We need to attract quality substitute teachers.

Health and pe electives, intramurals

More after school clubs and activities for students. More listening to students' concerns and giving them respect when they are speaking up about problems.

Do any of the teachers need any helpers to assist them in teaching children who need more of the one on one learning. No child left behind!!

more technology staff

basic car repair in case of a emergency

More staff (teachers/ paras) at the Middle School.

Support staff for bus drivers-1 staff per bus. This would be to ensure the children on the bus are behaving and are as safe as possible while the driver can focus on driving.

I think we need 2 teachers per main content area at the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade levels (science, math, social studies, English). Our nurses are also spread thinly.

Better grad track option for students that aren't going to college/going to a tech school that don't need certain classes or have better career readiness skills at the HS to meet other options.

I would like to see YSD address the qualifications/quality of teachers at the high school level.

Driver Ed, German and Russian

There should be a tech support person in each elementary building.

HS teachers shouldn't put on a video and then devise basketball plays. Should be teaching, not expecting technology to do the teaching. Encourage engagement. Our kids need more human interaction.

Additional behavior/mental health resources for students

just keep fine art and music, please

More Chromebooks would be awesome...one to one...

Middle school students should be able to pick electives with their parents. Staff needs more training on ADHD - Anxiety- etc and Bullying prevention !!!!!!!

New elementary facilities

Continue to add technology programs and technical skills classes

School nurse in each building. Police officer in high school and middle school, not shared.

Tutoring

Tutoring

The YSD band program needs more staffing.

Spanish, German, French, Russian.

I think that there needs to be more education on bullying and how to promote kindness instead of bullying. Also, I think that teachers need to pay closer attention to the way kids treat each other.

More MS/HS cross over in activities-middle school students given opportunities to participate with HS students at activities.

Maybe there already is something, but it seems we need some programming for those students that excel in a particular subject to keep them engaged in their learning
special ed. needs more rooms to accomodate the deiverse needs of all types of students

Lay off the iPads and chrome books

A full-time school nurse in every building; smaller class sizes;

I think an additional section of Junior K. should be added as the class sizes are currently too big and there is no room for students identified as needing that type of programming in the fall.

Access to tutors

More computer related classes for middle school.

Life skills course

Translators for one on one with young children who speak different languages

Staffing for the playground before 820am to ensure students aren't outside alone after breakfast in the morning.

After school tutoring programs

Drivers education

Parking and or facility updates at elementary schools

Stay in your budget, stop making new things you can't sustain

I believe every school should have a security officer there during school hours

There needs be additional staff in all of the buildings so that we can better facilitate the learning of our students with smaller class sizes.

Washer and dryer added to all schools for children who don't have the means for clean clothes.

Additional anti bullying programs.

Programs for gifted students to be challenged

More para support

Utilize differentiation in instruction at the elementary. Improve students that may have gaps in their education and challenge your higher achieving students.

Access to behavior specialists/classroom in each building. Support libraries with adequate technology and funding.

Language arts for elementary students

Additional support and programs for special needs children outside of the normal school year. Many are not allowed to attend the Boys and Girls club or the Academy.

I feel that new teachers need more orientation. A survey of items that would have been helpful to know as a new employee could guide what is needed.

Power School is a poor 'parent portal' engine. There are better that allow ability to see all of my children elementary through HS. Power School is NOT user friendly.

ED/BD program expansion

I would like to see the electives offered at YMS grow.

Updated playgrounds at elementary schools.

Update facilities

Additional nurse, Title for 2-5 (math), more para support better anti-bullying programs at YMS & YHS.

Newwe updates programming to deal with character and social and emotional intelligence that are more active and engaging to help the students address issues of today's culture.

Mediators

I feel that teachers need more time to work in their rooms without kids interrupting them.

show choir, quality computer courses, option for AP dual credit from USD-cheaper and we're state funded, elementary aides, coaches at conferences-they are teachers first

Full time Music and PE teachers at each elementary with more minutes per grade level, paras in each primary classroom including kindergarten

Elementary Art teacher

Additional administration staff, such as assistant sped director and early childhood director.

More visual arts for students as a priority verse the district focused only on sports. Our football department gets a lot more support and funding compared to music and arts.

More computer programs

The Yankton school district has always done well with what they receive, but I feel we could do more for the kids who struggle with school, specifically reading and mathmatics!

Increased School Nurse Staff

Sex Education

More Paraprofessionals. Higher wages(obviously)

Teaching assistants in elementary schools to help children catch up with the rest of the class if there are struggles when working on tasks

No Common Core math. Too many non holiday days off. All events should be held after school to get parents involved. My kids are upset when I can't take off work to come to something at the school.

Education on headlice, body lice etc The schools do not notify parents when there is a case.

There are still issues with bullying. There are issues with student to student bullying and at times teacher to student bullying.

Fine arts staff, especially visual arts. Enough teachers to keep elementary class size under 20 students.

more paras per building

Aides for the kindergarten classes

NEED math pullout prog, elem assist principals, more counselors, ELL, secretaries

Math tutoring for all students that need help.

Another Middle School Counselor

smaller class size at the middle School

Representation of diversity within staff, opportunities for staff to further education

Support staff for extracurricular activities (band, chorus, sports) to allow more kids to excel

There are minimal classes to teach basic survival becoming an adult. Personal finance classes are not what the kids need. Kids need to learn real life situations and how to proceed.

we should take time out throughout the year during school day to have volunteer projects in SEVERAL AREAS IN COMMUNITY.

I think there is an urgent need for the District to hire a Board Certified Behavior Analyst to address behavioral and academic issues of all students.

Someone for ISS needed at HS. Attendance secretary sometimes 13 students that she is looking after, with her back turned away since she while doing attendance job. NOT SAFE. How about staff safety.

More health field class options for prospective doctors, nurses, etc.

Teams at the middle school level

More staff for special education students.

Salary increase for paraprofessionals

Teachers need to be able to enforce tougher policies even if there is fear of retaliation. Majors and Minors. They are a direct connect with children's interactions so their wellness is high priority

Health Education, not as part of Science, but in the class of Health, starting with upper elementary and definitely at the MS and HS

art and technology instructors in the elementary

Funding to improve paraprofessional development

YHS needs to have items that were cut replaced. Full Time ALC, accountability for on-line education, transition for students receiving placements for mental health, court placements, etc.

More AP classes

Accelerated classes for social studies, science, and ELA starting 7th grade for more gifted students

Math classes like consumer math etc. business classes

Add assistant golf and tennis coaches.

Hire more core teachers as student enrollment goes up

math is fun program

Additional counselors, library assistants, everyone with their own chrome book

Art instruction for grade school

A shared elementary teacher between all four elementary schools.

I would like to see YSD embrace the concept of STEAM and project based learning.

Utilize differentiation in instruction at the elementary. Improve students that may have gaps in their education and challenge your higher achieving students.

Need police officers at high school and middle school full time

I believe our middle school/high school band department needs additional staffing, due to the growing numbers.

More recognition to Fine Arts. Sports get most of it. Kids in these other activities feel like staff, fellow & community don't care much about these things, unless. Staff should be aware of this

Additional staff for accademic/tutoring assistance before, during and after school

Business Technology (Excel or Google Sheets certifications)

Take hard look at Mass Customized Learning. Look at Harrisburg for a good example.

career planners in the school district. Additional CTE in middle school.

Coding, coding, coding; Identifying student aptitude for specific fields and encouraging

better training for staff when dealing w/ a child who may need to be taught differently

More coaches for sub varsity sports.

Individually assigned paras for special-needs children staffed by school for better control.

program/teachers average to improve math study skill reading comp average kids very underserved

Educating & offering resources to victims of sexual abuse

Other math classes besides algebra II need to be offered
Way too many extra curricular activities. Concentrate on reading, writing and arithmetic.
The work load is too difficult. Activities take HUGE amounts of time, such as practices every day.
YSD needs to focus on more support to staff and PARAs in particular.
YSD can do better. Marketing and advertising
Increased Behavioral Intervention Programs
Cap the class size to 20 students and hire more teachers for that grade level if needed.
Teaming at the YMS, remedial math programs like reading recovery at the lower levers, health instructional coaches
CTE courses in one location
more counselors, sch psych, SPED staff, jr. kind
More special education staff could be added to address the increasing needs of the students. Separate ISS supervisor or location for High School
alternative language in elementary-easier to learn at that age
I feel there are still some area of safety that need to be addressed in the buildings
Better organized and comprehensive programming for students with autism
I think the SRO was a great add on
Health education middle school classes and physical education electives in grades 10-12.
Smaller class size
Basics like filling out job applications, writing resumes, interviewing, preparing for college, ...
Summer school program at the middle school level so YMS students can be held more accountable More than one class for certain subjects
School nurses for each building. More special education staff
add psychology class at the HS level, mental health support for elementary students
Higher standard for teaching all students, not just some
Variety of foreign language classes
There needs to be other options in the high school for math besides having to do algebra II.
focus on preparing students for the goals THEY have, not just for tech and state schools.
Another counseling position at the middle school should be highly considered.
theater productions at YMS
More contact with teachers when child on iep
Social workers to help counselors
FT paras in all early childhood classrooms, including kindergarten
Aide in each kindergarten classroom
more elective and AP options for high achieving students
Some staff should be present from 730 till 5 at each school.
More foreign language
free after school programs
Go to online learning rather than text books.Safety & Physical health issues = backpacks Chromebooks
I think we could cut some staff. There are too many library aides and paraprofessionals.
School transport to r- tech building.
More counselors and a BCBA
Full Time middle school band instructor
Supervision for detention
Teacher helpers
foreign language in grade school, district-wide elementary science fair, LGBTQ awareness & support culinary

Civics classes- students need to be more informed before they start voting at 18.

structure of the school nurse system

Staff attitude toward visitor better, be respectful, understanding.

Driver's Ed., Gifted and Talented!!!

More specialized teachers and paras to accomodate our special ed spectrum.

behavior rooms every bldg, Teachers of art/elem, tech/elem, nurses every bldg

Character Building in Schools and Students

Jr. K is overcrowded need another section. We need a full time High School instrumental teacher.

tuition free pre school

I think we need more support staff.

Eliminate cell phones from classrooms

Digitalmedia/art. Graduates majoring graphic design significantly lacking experience compared to USD

Librarian s.....health teachers

Art at elementary

incorporate leadership training ; ethics elective; decrease counselor to student ratio;

Smaller kindergarten classes

behavior specialists & Grade Level Buildings

More math and reading teachers to make sure any child that needs extra help can have access to it. Fine Arts Funding, Music/Band especially in the high school seems underfunded.

Updated classroom guidance curriculum to Elementary

Extra help for kids struggling in core classes, teacher training on one to ones w/ these kids.

High school bowling should be included as winter sport

A simplified/modified Mass Customized Learning

more elective fine arts opportunities - more foreign language choices

recruiting and retaining high quality teachers and administrators

Parenting

sped training for paras

More ESL staff, counseling staff, summer school for students (not just those who didn't pass) Communication between staff, administration and parents

More teacher involvement less technology bas teaching students in the classroom

more behavior programs (each building have one?), another counselor at the YMS

Opportunities/flexibility for gifted students

1. Assistant Athletic Director and/or Middle School Athletic Director 2. More middle school coaches mental health/stress counseling. Anti-bullying talk is fine but is still a problem.

More language options

I think YHS is maxed out on what it can competently offer.

specialized training for teachers dealing with children with autistic needs

More foriegn language options

firearms safety/hunter safety course

Staff to help with online, OSS, ISS and recovery credit.

Provide support staff for those not on an IEP

More ESL help, paras in kindergarten, parenting (through the hospital/home ec class)

Expand Reading Recovery program to allow an increase in kids and expand into other grade levels. Basic life skills

Spanish in Elementary. Accounting in elementary. Typing on computer keyboard in all schools smaller kindergarten and first grade classrooms are needed to ensure success for every child Keeping parents up to date on changes in how to help with changing curriculum

Increase EDUC salaries. Less Tech, basic educ first...prob solv skills!

Option for Tutors in elementary. For kids that struggle but don't qualify for extra help.

If class sizes are over 20 students, we need help in the lower elementary grades! Please!!! Reading Recovery is critical component of student achievement.

Computer Science

Focus on the high achievers to excel with gifted programs, not just help for remedial students

a path for students not attending college - more tech, less book

Elementary art teacher

Elem. Art Teachers, foreign lang. HS German or French, sec. at HS to answer door/deal with ISS kids More Paraprofessionals. Higher wages(obviously)

Title 1 Math for elementary grades

I would like to see the grading scale for grades be standardized across state.

FFA and keeping relationship with Boy & Girls Club

Yankton school district is doing a great job!

Foreign language and art

Additional technical support staff

more foreign language

Watch for bullying

Complaints of bullying taken more seriously. Staff actually watching for bullying

Reduce class sizes k-3

Mental Health classes to handle stress. More counselors for each grade.

Add assistant golf & tennis coaches to provide more opportunities for MS students to compete also. Alternative School

I do believe that more needs to be done to address bullying issues.

Art in elementary schools, add art to STEM. Eval. stand. Test is necessary

a second language as part of the curriculum for K-5

We need a armed guard at all our schools to keep our Children safe

Intigrate students intrests into the lesson plan. Make it real world lessons.

ISS supervision at the high school level- not attendance secretary!

Working on the bullying more!

Talented and gifted programs starting in elementary

Spend less on sports more on teachers

Comments directed at individuals or groups were removed

Q14 Identify any facility improvements needed in the Yankton School District, as part of Foward 2024.(200 character limit)

Answered: 479 Skipped: 528

Continue to upgrade aging facilities

Water fountains with water purification. Sinks in restrooms that run for more than 2 seconds so Students can get their hands clean.

Redo front entry to school due to high traffic

MAKING LUNCHE MORE AFFORDABLE, THE "EXTRA" CHARGE FOR AN ADDITIONAL ITEM NEEDS TO BE TAKEN AWAY

Green house, horticultural area to provide students with an elective program for gardening and landscape planting

Security, key fobs, safety, prepare for the worst

Webster school

More meetings and c ok communication on how students are going in class.

The new safety protocols at entrances slow down the general population but will not prevent a genuine "bad guy" from entering - appears to be easily circumvented.

elementary schools need updating and/or new buildings.

ADA Compliance, improve air quality, disinfecting through daytime at Elem schools for less illness-improving attendance

Aged elementary schools renovated. Complete sidewalk around middle school property, especially since in town bussing students must walk up Burleigh St. to Riverview Church pick-up. New

or greatly updated improvements to Beadle School and pave the parking lot north of Crane-Youngworth Field

Middle School; Beadle Elementary

A place to park at crane field

Update buildings ac/heat

An early childhood center would be amazing

Update elementary schools

Some parts of buildings out of date

Webster elementary

Up date computers and materials needed for students K-12

handicap accessible at Beadle

building upkeep, replacement as necessary (Webster, Beadle)

Transperations improvements as bus breakdowns seems to be frequent

Walkable K-5 school in Fox Run.

Continue and expand safety devices and programs

No more SAC center hooked up to HS- HS take over- Its a safety issue!

Communication between specialized help and parents

the bathrooms

all of the elementary schools seem to be out dated. You go too other schools and they seem to be putting money towards updating the facilities.

Lincoln Elementary needs to be updated and possibly added onto.

Updated/new elementary

Update or replace Beadle school. Update the Middle school building.

At the least modernize basement of Webster. K-5 students of Webster deserve a library and classrooms that are as airy, bright , spacious and furnished as the rest of the students in the

district. In the mornings, I get to school around 700-730 and the doors are open. My fear is that someday we could have a threat that recognizes that and comes in early and hides out.

a new elementary school

Quit focusing on sports only, people do not do sports after they leave.

Middle School music, high school music

Need afterschool work sessions for students and summer work sessions so kids dont lose information

Rebuild/update elementary buildings

Beadle updates, playground vandalism

Need to consider new elementary school buildings especially Beadle & Webster

Parking lots and playgrounds need improvements

Bathrooms at Lincoln school

Safety: I'm concerned that the back gates of the high school are often wide open. The school doors aren't locked during parts of the day.

The back entrance to the school needs some attention. We go to plays and concerts and many older people park and go in the teachers entrance. Broken pavement is a hazard. dumpsters
It is my belief that all schools should be on a rotation for updating as needed. No specifics, the district needs to do more than maintain the current buildings.

Tint on the Windows to protect people. on all Schools.

Another elementary school

Beadle school is old & needs replaced

Consider improving/renovating/updating older areas of the district

Another grade school

Better parking at Webster

Update playground s

fix the water problems in Webster. too much comes in thru library, 4th grade classrooms, and probably other areas i'm not aware of

Street lights in front of the middle school... stop lights in front of the high school

More buddy benches amongst the elementary schools

Science olympiad

Beadle School replacement

More accessible for students in wheelchairs in our elementary schools.

OT and PT at all the schools. Not just at Stewart. They are spread too thin!

The science labs at the middle school need to updated. The balances and equipment is in terrible shape, or simply missing. I have worked with the SO and am speaking for first hand knowledge.

Playground equipment at Stewart Elementary

SAC locker rooms and pool area need to be cleaned better. Showers and bathrooms are moldy and dirty.

The parking lot at Crane Youngworth can be a struggle on wet years.

The buildings are getting older. Just some updates and technology.

aging Beadle School

elementary school play grounds

High School Bathrooms are a majior

Parking at all elementary schools, Webster in particular.

Elementary schools- Lincoln and Beatle

replace Beadle, expanded music areas at YMS

The schools have become overcrowded for the facilities that we have. Several buildings are old and in need of improvements.

Updating schools

Technology always needs improved and advanced in schools to keep up with current technology.

MS bandroom - its crowded. No safe place for expensive instruments! Locked individual storage!!

a larger or separate band & orchestra room at the middle school with practice/lesson rooms as well as room for secure instrument storage.

More cameras in hallways and parking lot.

Beadle School is old enough that sometimes there are issues with leaky ceilings and and crumbling computer lab wall.

The YMS bathrooms need to be updated.

Need new elementary building. Maybe could close a few and make one nice one.

Make sure water fountains work well and students have time to drink. Sidewalk and parking lot at YHS need work. Litter around YHS. Hopefully recycling is being done in all facilities.

Tint on the Windows to protect people. on all Schools.

Improved parking at Crane Youngworth.

air quality and pest control (insects)

Updated and/or new elementary attendance centers needed

Parking lots at high school need to be redone

Parking lot at the high school.

Updating current facilities to make them look more modern.

New playground at Stewart School

Middle school updates

replace Beadle
Elementary schools need upgrades
Beadle school
Consolidate the elementary schools and build a new one!
The High school is 22 years old. Updates to plumbing are needed. The roof is reaching it's limits as well.
Bullying
More parking at elementary buildings, lockers in all elementary buildings,
New high school. Hallways are very crowded and kids have to walk to other classes making them late.
Buildings really need updating!!!
New facilities for elementary
Beadle
Updates to playground equipment at elementary schools
Bathrooms at Yankton Middle School
Playgrounds
early childhood facility and updates at elementary schools
Need to expand Middle School
Webster school. The traffic there for pick up and drop offs is terrible.
More parking for the elementary schools.
Beadle playground black rubber mats for slide/swing set. Has caused numerous accidents for my child tripping & getting scrapped up knees/toes.
Beadle school could use a lot of improving or a new school built.
Discipline area in high school is needed. It would be appropriate for all staff, not just teachers, to receive a personal day of leave.
More choices for lunch
Older elementary schools probably need updates
Beadle is pretty run down. I think new school buildings need to be strongly considered over the course of the next decade.
Play grounds
I believe we need to expand early childhood area with its own facility
Older buildings need to have better air, removal of mold, better cleaning, etc
Replacement of elementary building that are aged
Facility's are great!
Continual need for facility update and maintenance. stairs a problem in older schools as Beadle.
No place for performances except in gym which is also cafeteria and presentation area. Bad acoustics Elementary schools
It's been great to see playground improvements, I hope these continue within the building.
New weight room, wood floor at ms, new elementary school
Updating equipment behind the scenes that we the people do not see all the time but know it is needed to make our children comfortable. Great learning enviroments
new elementary school
Improved restrooms
more diverse classes
Improve bathrooms at the middle school.
The middle school has many areas that need to be addressed: bathrooms, ventilation and air quality, storage space for custodians, staff bathrooms, etc. Beadle Elementary is also filled with needs.
A wrestling room for the high school and the middle school. A weight room just for the high school that students don't have to pay to use.
Updated computers for all schools and staff
A new elementary school is needed in Yankton.
Not that I am aware of. Excellent job with Crane-Youngworth!!! Beautiful facility
weight room for all sports, and wrestling facilities
Beadle School
More bathroom facilities in the older buildings...
Elementary schools

Elementary schools

Updated elementary schools, or a new elementary school on the north side.

Band and fine arts

Beadle School

playground equipment

We need grade level attendance centers and more modern elementary schools

Many of our buildings are just getting older and need general updates. I know that you are already actively looking at this.

Need updated or new schools

replace Beadle school ***IN THE SAME LOCATION***

early childhood building, grade level buildings, elementary updates

I think the facilities are reasonable as is

Some of the elementary schools need facelifts.

New elementary school in new development. In town bus service.

Parking lot or more organized traffic flow at Lincoln

Elementary schools

Webster school bathrooms

Beadle School needs to be replaced

updated structures and security vestibules

School stores added with school apparel, notebooks, water bottles etc all with school logo

Beadle elementary playground!!!

New elementary

Improving cosmetic changes in buildings example Lincoln Elementary and YMS.

Aging buildings need to be addressed for safety and to provide the best opportunities for students

Handicap accessibility at Beadle

New elementary, the SAC needs to become strictly a YHS facility.

We need another elementary school, the 4 we have are aged well beyond acceptable and not all are accessible for special needs students.

The playgrounds at the elementary schools need improvements, more behavior rooms are needed at the elementary level

lock on the SW door from the SAC weight room into mezzanine.

I would offer the possibility of a Pre-Middle School. The foundation of K-2 is held in community format, yet the synergies collaboration are data proven in a 3rd grade higher environment....

Early childhood center, aging Beadle School and playground improvements

Need bathrooms for girls only along with boys only. Need a unisex bathroom for others. Not allow boy in girls bathroom and vice versa

Keep improving facilities to be safe.

Need for a new elementary school building. Updates to YMS.

Preschool-2nd grade learning center

Elementary buildings need updates

All the school need to be handicap accessible

webster parking

Lets replace Beadle with a new building!! Time for a new updated elementary school in this town.

New elementary buildings are needed.

weight room, led signs at YHS, Williams conversion to football game ready

I have children at Lincoln and YMS. YMS seems in good shape. Lincoln is old with a depressing atmosphere, is in much need of updates.

fencing added to west playground at WE along Pine St

New elementary school to replace Beadle.

It would be nice to know who we should talk to when there is information to share on our child or we have questions

Early childhood center

Beadle and Lincoln schools are old. The handicap options at Beadle need fixed. The safety of pick up & drop off at the middle school are terrible.

front door safety

Beadle needs updating. The middle school art room flooded frequently. I would like educational facilities to get priority over activity facility improvement.

I believe that we can input some efforts into keeping up some of the older buildings we have, it is just finding a way that works!

Middle School seems to be quite crowded and will need more room soon

flashing light at crosswalks. oneway street in front of middle school.

Off campus transportation- expecting children to drive or get a ride to class is a terrible system. If teachers truly counted those kids tardy it would be a wake up call.

Continued from 13. Stop having kids sell third-party items for fundraisers. My kids get upset that they didn't win a little stupid toy because they didn't sell 60,000 bags of popcorn.

Continued safety. Metal detectors?

New elementary school to replace Beadle

extra room/space for behavior students at EACH elementary building

Expanded parking lots at the elementary buildings for staff and/or parents for drop off/pick up/visiting for special events or meetings.

a new elementary school

Early Childhood Center

Beadle and Webster Schools need to be replaced

Keep up on the maintenance of current facilities. Beadle and Webster replaced / consolidated into one.

special Education wings at buildings

The school buildings are doing well.

webster school driving amd parking system maybe a one way street. even harting ton does it. it is possible

Perhaps computer labs in Elementary schools.

The SAC center hooked onto the HS. Easy way for someone to get in with intent to harm.

More safety features.

Special education wings

Webster school/ addition of an early childhood center

A parent/child connection to talk about what happens in school is golden. No parent or unhealthiness at home?-child needs a mentor-life line-find a passion/show how to build with good words/actions.

Coaching-treating all kids with the ability to grow in a sport and being positive.

New Elementary to replace Beadle/Lincoln or updates

new elementary buildings

Better drug and alcohol control

YMS football field could definitely use some work. Bleachers had metal rod sticking out, patches of grass missing by the little shed resulting in large amounts of mud

More room for special education for early childhood, high school

Wood floor in Old MS Gym. Weight room at YHS. Wrestling Room at YHS.

Update YMS, paint elementary schools with bright colors

sprinkler system in all schools. Chime sounding fire alarms in classrooms. Cushion seats rather than desks

I think the administration does fine with our financial system

More storage at the high school for departments.

New elementary school needed.

Improving cosmetic changes in buildings example Lincoln Elementary and YMS.

Elementary Buildings

Webster & Beadle need upgrades. Something needs to be done about the traffic situation at Webster.

Early childhood education center! A "one stop shop" for youth prior to kindergarten.

New elementary schools

Wow how can we improve on the best. PERIOD

Webster Elementary literally has water leaking into the basement classrooms. Serious mold concern.

Beadle school facility improvements

more in town busing stops west side of town and have a specific stop location at each school

Beadle school replacement needs to ne considered.

Middle school

We don't need any more facility improvements.

I think the facilities are over improved now.

Teacher lounges, new pavement out at recess (particularly lincoln) and most schools.

take over the summit center for the kids to use

weight room and wrestling rooms are Ridiculous compared to area schools!

Covered pick up areas

Early Childhood and Elementary Buildings

More room for preschool - early childhood - parking

elementary and YMS updates such as restrooms, drinking fountains, parking lots, weed control Grounds at high school out front are not kept at all

expanded music area at YMS (classroom space and storage)

take a visit with harrisburg school and see how they do things. i highly recomend it.

exhaust system in the CTE labs

The elementary buildings do not have sufficient space for classes or offices.

I feel as a parent at Beadle School we need either crossing guards or school zone lights

Adding an early childhood facility could be a priority for the district.

Middle school orchestra room.

work with/push the city to have somewhere for kids to go and do things during the winter

Lock up gates/doors in back of auto/building at the high school for security. They are often open More classrooms/ Elementary Buildings

Replacement elementary school for Beadle - the current building is seriously in need of replacement class rooms

New elementary and middle school wood floor weight & wrestling room

Playground surface and equipment

More space at the SAC

new elementary early childhood facility

Beadle needs help.

The entire middle school building needs updates.

Newer elementary buildings

Webster needs to become a one way traffic area out front of building to improve traffic flow

New facilities are needed for elementary schools

Clean air - health problems due to mold.

Beadle & Webster buildings need to improved and/or replaced.

replace Beadle Elementary, replace/rennovate bathrooms at YMS, upgrade YMS theater

Beadle and Webster--aged buildings

ADA upgrades

Open stairwells at Webster, gate added to parking lot, fence added to west playground on Pine St Beadle Elementary is not handicapped accessible.

I very strongly support the neighborhood school concept of having K-5 in the same building.

Band and fine arts

Build a new elementary, centrally located, if possible, for ALL elementary students.

Webster and Beadle elementary buildings - may need to combine into one new facility

Combine Webster with Beadle to create one more efficient building and eliminate overhead. School transport to and from classes in the r tech building.

kitchens in elementaries

SAC attachment to the High School is not good

The play ground at Stewart needs a facelift.

Webster and Beadle

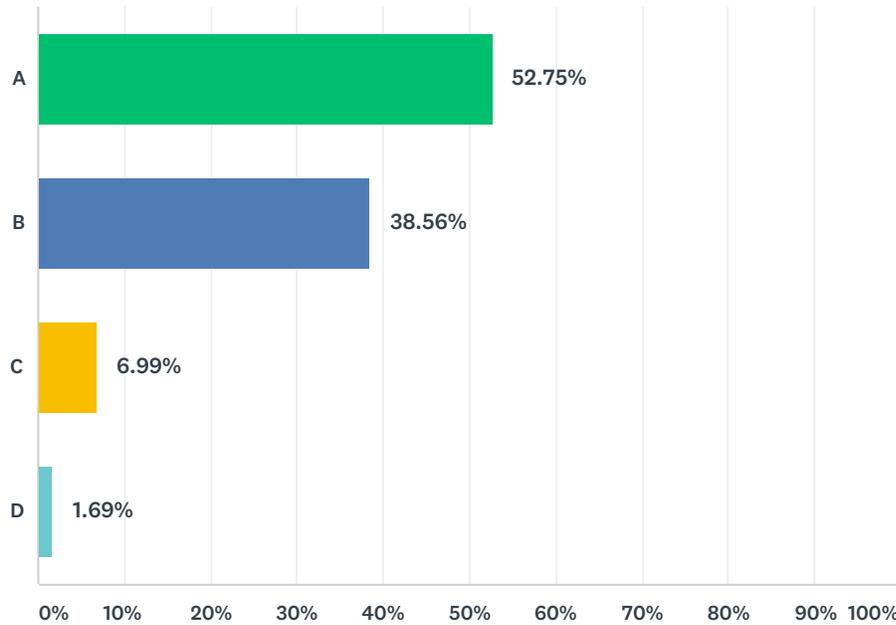
Need to improve drop-off for Middle School students
Beadle school needs to be looked at for replacement.
New ELEM school; Bldgs by grade level= K-1, 2-3, 4-5
Schools look amazing for their age, but they all have their issues.
New elementary school is needed. Behavior rooms in every elementary building.
Beadle school needs to be handicap accesable
Elem struct-Beadle, Lincoln?. Addr issues main prking lot @ YHS Rock/pave prking lot @ Crane.
Traffic logistics for drop off and pick up at Webster
The early intervention, preschool, and junior kindergarten programs should be in the same building
Facilities for smaller sports is inappropriate, particularly dance team.
The individual buildings need to be completely cleaned
Eliminate cell phones from classrooms
Sporting activities should not have higher funds than any other school activities/education
Gifted talented middle school
Two new schools - Webster & Beadle not handicapped accessible
Beadle Elementary's playground ground needs to be replaced.
updated classrooms with student achievement in mind
As a disabled parent I find the schools very inaccessible.
Beadle school needs to be addressed
BAN STOPS IN RD @ YMS-MAKE POLICY TO PULL OVER TO NOT IMPEDE TRAFFIC-ADD STOPLIGHT @ 21ST/MULBERRY
Upkeep
Yankton Middle School Principal/Secretary Offices combined and accessible through/by main entrance
I would like to see more bus stops in town and also do them after school.
the field at the high school for marching band usage/and other practices
address seating at Crane, Elementary and Middle School should be put on other end zone or guest side
Place for kids to be out of the weather conditions
Early childhood building
wheelchair accessibility in all elementary schools
New Elementary schools
safety and security when entering buildings
Needs to be bigger
Another elementary building or replace Beadle
mold issues at Webster. Breathing quality is not good.
1. New high school weight room 2. New elementary school
I think facilities are good.
may need to look into adding another elementary school
Elementary school improvements, new buildings
More indoor space for athletics adn athletic training
better school lunches
Bolo sticks. Classrooms have two doors and only one has a stick, the offices do not have any.
update buildings for a forward movement in education
I think an early education center is needed.
PK center, sensory rooms, conference room w/ wait area for kids
There is always room for improvements but nothing that sticks out to me right now.
Facility improvements on school buildings rather than athletic facilities and turf.
some type of better parking for Webster school!!!
classroom furniture

more parking in front of YHS so all students can park there
Beadle elementary needs an elevator or it needs to be replaced.
I think YSD has done a great job in keeping up with the aging facilities
Hoping bridge over Marne Creek at Webster School gets shoveled, salted, etc when winter hits! Retro fitting fact is good mgmt, new build comes with addit exp. for staff, maint/use.
Air quality/control. (Allergies) dust mold pollen. Better heating/cooling
Elementary facilities need updating
The playground at Beadle Elementary.
Wrestling room for high school
Too Hot of water in fitness locker rooms
New early childhood center
Beadle Elementary, more storage at high school, middle school needs visual updates (pink walls) flashing light at crosswalks. oneway street in front of middle school.
Yankton should follow the lead of Brookings several years ago and build a new middle school. Accessibility in all buildings, not just some
Would like to see gym for kids to go to and shoot baskets without a membership to pay for.
Any Safety additions are great, already happy with additions
New grade school!
Better kitchens to cook food at each facility
update the special education wing.
Beadle elementary replacement, grade level attendance centers
YMS temp/humidity control
Impressed with facilities. Well taken care of. Love the new locked doors/cameras
Upgrade/update elementary buildings; traffic around Webster is concerning.
Adding a space for comfort animals to visit when students need a break or a pick me up.
Upgrade or replace Beadle & Webster. Update bleachers in YHS Gym for better Handicap accessibility. Some of the playground equipment at the elementary schools.
back/teachers entrance to the high school. Broken pavement.
Parking at elementary schools
Handicap accessibility in all buildings
Updates to make them safe for children.
stage needs replaced not w/ wood. Ask theatre folks what makes a versatile for plays and concerts.
Bussing between campus facilities, open comunication with the parents as to programs.
completely cutoff SAC center from HS. Its the weakest point of entry to school
Elementary school buildings are getting dated

Comments directed at individuals or groups were removed

Q15 Please provide an overall grade for the Yankton School District.

Answered: 944 Skipped: 63



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
A	52.75%	498
B	38.56%	364
C	6.99%	66
D	1.69%	16
TOTAL		944