

# THOUGHT EXCHANGE THOUGHTS - OCT 2021

Big Spring School District

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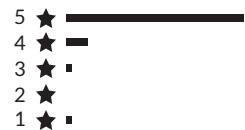
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What are your hopes and dreams for our students for their learning and lives?

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**My hopes and dreams for our students include them developing the tools and skills necessary to cope with their emotions and think critically.** I want students to be resilient and prepared to problem-solve as they tackle challenges. I hope that they are able to be independent and reflective.

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**I want my children to be productive citizens that can communicate with others, be kind and hardworking, and be successful** This is my goal as a parent

4.5  (22 )  
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**I hope students engage in learning experiences that take them beyond the classroom and expose them to how their learning will impact life.** When students understand the purpose of what they are learning and the real-world application, they appreciate and value that learning.









































































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**My hope is that we are growing young adults who will achieve success as adults.** We want successful adults who can independently solve problems, be motivated to continue learning, work hard, and be responsible, engaged citizens.




























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Be able to communicate both in writing and in face to face conversations.	4.4  (24  ) Ranked #5 of 295	 5 ★  4 ★  3 ★  2 ★  1 ★ 
Be a kind, respectful, and independent member of our community.	4.4  (22  ) Ranked #6 of 295	 5 ★  4 ★  3 ★  2 ★  1 ★ 
I hope they will have a willingness to learn, think deeply, and apply the knowledge. We are never too old to learn.	4.4  (18  ) Ranked #7 of 295	 5 ★  4 ★  3 ★  2 ★  1 ★ 
That they become problem solvers they are inheriting a world that is a mess and needs new approaches and ideas	4.3  (47  ) Ranked #8 of 295	 5 ★  4 ★  3 ★  2 ★  1 ★ 
Learning how to be financially ready. Finances are a daily activities when school is over. Its important to learn a career path and learn how to manage expenses when you are out of school.	4.3  (46  ) Ranked #9 of 295	 5 ★  4 ★  3 ★  2 ★  1 ★ 
To be able to learn in an environment that is safe, to feel comfortable sharing and discussing thoughts with peers and teachers. To be encouraged. I feel children learn more in an environment where they are encouraged and that mistakes are a part of the learning process.	4.3  (45  ) Ranked #10 of 295	 5 ★  4 ★  3 ★  2 ★  1 ★ 
To be responsible and productive members of society. To care for themselves and each other. The future of our world relies on them.	4.3  (45  ) Ranked #11 of 295	 5 ★  4 ★  3 ★  2 ★  1 ★ 
To produce happy, hardworking, students of moral character who ultimately contribute, support, and improve the families and our community. We need stable hardworking people of solid moral character.	4.3  (43  ) Ranked #12 of 295	 5 ★  4 ★  3 ★  2 ★  1 ★ 
I would like students to learn life skills that are relevant to the world they live in. For example, technology, team work, emotional competency. I believe these are important because being human change and adapting are not hard wired into being our natural comfort zone. Adapting is vital.	4.3  (42  ) Ranked #13 of 295	 5 ★  4 ★  3 ★  2 ★  1 ★ 

<p>I would like my kids to be kind, thoughtful and have the skills needed to pursue whatever career path they want after they graduate.</p>	<div><div>4.3</div><div><div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div><div>( 37 )</div></div><div>Ranked #14 of 295</div></div>	<div><div><div>5</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>4</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>3</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>2</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>1</div><div>★</div><div></div></div></div>
<p>I hope they focus on the positives in life and learn from the negatives. To live less stressful lives</p>	<div><div>4.3</div><div><div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div><div>( 35 )</div></div><div>Ranked #15 of 295</div></div>	<div><div><div>5</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>4</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>3</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>2</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>1</div><div>★</div><div></div></div></div>
<p>They are continuous learners. Learning shouldn't stop when they leave high school.</p>	<div><div>4.3</div><div><div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div><div>( 34 )</div></div><div>Ranked #16 of 295</div></div>	<div><div><div>5</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>4</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>3</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>2</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>1</div><div>★</div><div></div></div></div>
<p>To be continuous learners throughout their whole lives. So they can always be open to learning new ideas and gaining further insights.</p>	<div><div>4.3</div><div><div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div><div>( 31 )</div></div><div>Ranked #17 of 295</div></div>	<div><div><div>5</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>4</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>3</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>2</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>1</div><div>★</div><div></div></div></div>
<p>I hope our students develop confidence in their strengths and resilience in the things that don't come easy for them. I hope they feel safe &amp; loved. Isn't that the ultimate goal?</p>	<div><div>4.3</div><div><div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div><div>( 28 )</div></div><div>Ranked #18 of 295</div></div>	<div><div><div>5</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>4</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>3</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>2</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>1</div><div>★</div><div></div></div></div>
<p>I hope our students have opportunities to explore their interests and find new interests through what they do in our classrooms. A huge part of education is learning about themselves, what they like, what they want to do, and what their strengths are.</p>	<div><div>4.3</div><div><div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div><div>( 27 )</div></div><div>Ranked #19 of 295</div></div>	<div><div><div>5</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>4</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>3</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>2</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>1</div><div>★</div><div></div></div></div>
<p>...for students to become productive citizens and life long learners.</p>	<div><div>4.3</div><div><div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div><div>( 22 )</div></div><div>Ranked #20 of 295</div></div>	<div><div><div>5</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>4</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>3</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>2</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>1</div><div>★</div><div></div></div></div>
<p>It is my hope and dream that our students go on to live productive lives and are contributing members of our work force and community. This is important to me because it keeps our community thriving.</p>	<div><div>4.3</div><div><div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div><div>( 19 )</div></div><div>Ranked #21 of 295</div></div>	<div><div><div>5</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>4</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>3</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>2</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>1</div><div>★</div><div></div></div></div>
<p>That they will be respectful, kind, cooperative, thoughtful and resilient.</p>	<div><div>4.3</div><div><div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div><div>( 19 )</div></div><div>Ranked #22 of 295</div></div>	<div><div><div>5</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>4</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>3</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>2</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>1</div><div>★</div><div></div></div></div>
<p>We hope our children get the foundation to become functioning members of society with positive contributions. Disrespect is rampant in this</p>	<div><div>4.3</div><div><div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div><div>( 14 )</div></div><div></div></div>	<div><div><div>5</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>4</div><div>★</div><div></div></div><div><div>3</div><div>★</div><div></div></div></div>

community. It starts at home and continues in school. Our children represent us, is this what we want as our legacy?	Ranked #23 of 295	2 ★ 1 ★
<b>I want our children to be life-long readers, learners, thinkers, and collaborators.</b> You need to do all these things in order to work with others in a competitive marketplace.	4.3 ★★★★★ (11) Ranked #24 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>Life skills: sewing a button, check book skills, w2 forms, applying for a job/loan, reading lease for a car/apartment, changin tire/oil, tax forms</b> All expected when you are an adult to know how to do	4.2 ★★★★★ (47) Ranked #25 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>My thought is students should learn about life situations they may experience as an adult. Such as managing a house hold</b> This is important cause they will need these tools to be successful	4.2 ★★★★★ (47) Ranked #26 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>to understand that college is not always an appropriate challenge for all students. To know that trade school or straight into workforce is okay also.</b> so that these students have a better chance to succeed in life after school in the best possible way.	4.2 ★★★★★ (47) Ranked #27 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>I hope my child receives a comprehensive education that prepares her to be competitive in the workforce, no matter her chosen career path.</b> To me, the point of receiving an education is to prepare an individual to be independent, productive, and contribute to society.	4.2 ★★★★★ (46) Ranked #28 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>I hope my students learn how to be creative, compassionate, and productive citizens in their communities. I dream for them to realize their purpose!</b> I want my kids to learn to be exactly who they are and how they can contribute to a positive society - one that aims to improve our world.	4.2 ★★★★★ (46) Ranked #29 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>I want my students to have the skills to adapt, cope and be successful in today's world</b> Our world today is constantly changing and creating new challenges for our students. They need the right skills to succeed in today's world	4.2 ★★★★★ (46) Ranked #30 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★

<p><b>To be challenged in their education and provided additional support and skill development when needed.</b> Educational progress isn't always linear and learning skills to adapt is a critical life/career skill.</p>	<p>4.2  (44 )</p> <p>Ranked #31 of 295</p>	
<p><b>To learn what they need to further themselves after graduating.</b> So many students graduate and have no idea how the world works. They need fundamentals. Banking, money management, how to fill out a job application</p>	<p>4.2  (39 )</p> <p>Ranked #32 of 295</p>	
<p><b>Students would realize how much they are loved and valued as an integral part of the Big Spring family.</b> Each student brings something unique to our district.</p>	<p>4.2  (37 )</p> <p>Ranked #33 of 295</p>	
<p><b>I hope they are independent (self sufficient), happy and healthy.</b> It is important so they can be successful in their personal and professional lives.</p>	<p>4.2  (36 )</p> <p>Ranked #34 of 295</p>	
<p><b>Students would have the resources (staff) needed to meet their needs (learning support, ESL, reading support, substitutes, bus drivers).</b> We are not supporting our students by not supporting our current staff. We are spread too thin and it is affecting our mental health.</p>	<p>4.2  (35 )</p> <p>Ranked #35 of 295</p>	
<p><b>to be respectful of every person they encounter, even if they have different viewpoints the world needs more of this!</b></p>	<p>4.2  (34 )</p> <p>Ranked #36 of 295</p>	
<p><b>For students to be successful in life, to be independent, to follow their dreams and to make a difference.</b> Life throws so much unexpected at us that it is important for students to not give up.</p>	<p>4.2  (33 )</p> <p>Ranked #37 of 295</p>	
<p><b>I want my students to become continuous learners.</b> This will allow them to grow and expand their knowledge based on their interests which should help lead them to a career.</p>	<p>4.2  (33 )</p> <p>Ranked #38 of 295</p>	
<p><b>To communicate well with others in spoken word and print.</b> Communication is how we grow.</p>	<p>4.2  (32 )</p> <p>Ranked #39 of 295</p>	

<p><b>I hope they gain the most out of their time with us at Big Spring.</b> I would like them to be successful, happy adults who have been equipped to enter their chosen career.</p>	<p>4.2  (31 )</p> <p>Ranked #40 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>Kindness</b> I hope that students learn to show kindness to everyone they interact with.</p>	<p>4.2  (30 )</p> <p>Ranked #41 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>I hope our students can become positive members of society.</b> There are some amazing students at Big Spring!</p>	<p>4.2  (28 )</p> <p>Ranked #42 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>That they would be kind, productive, and responsible citizens</b> At the end of the day, that I think is most crucial.</p>	<p>4.2  (28 )</p> <p>Ranked #43 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>I dream that our students and their parents will become actively involved in their educations.</b> Learning happens best when students get support from home. Teachers can't be responsible for raising and preparing students on our own.</p>	<p>4.2  (24 )</p> <p>Ranked #44 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>Think outside the box, be able to problem solve</b></p>	<p>4.2  (24 )</p> <p>Ranked #45 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>To learn and engage in complex, critical thinking skills to analyze information in a variety of subjects</b> In order to draw conclusions, solve problems, form opinions, and make decisions</p>	<p>4.2  (24 )</p> <p>Ranked #46 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>My hopes and dreams are that our students can become more independent, respectful, and engaged with their learning and community.</b> I think that this is important because our students are going to become the future of our community. I want our students prepared and engaged.</p>	<p>4.2  (23 )</p> <p>Ranked #47 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>To be kind and empathetic toward everyone</b> We all live within a larger society and need to be considerate of others living alongside us</p>	<p>4.2  (23 )</p> <p>Ranked #48 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>

**For our students to be life ready with the skills to be accepting and respectful of others, hard working, persistent and able to overcome challenges.**



**I hope for them to become kind, confident, determined individuals with morals and values that are upheld despite the negativity in the world. All the above contribute to their success. They need to be ok with themselves and make good choices.**



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**To develop a life long love of learning.** Children who have a positive outlook on school and learning will most likely perform better academically and will be more confident in themselves.

4.2  (12 )  
Ranked #51 of 295



**to learn in the school how to be productive citizens by learning how to survive in the real world. IE: balancing a checkbook, saving money.** for them to succeed in adulthood after school.

4.1  (49 )  
Ranked #52 of 295



**Be happy, well adjusted , functioning adults that understand not just academic principles but how to function and participate in society .**

4.1  (48 )  
Ranked #53 of 295



**becoming a kind and productive product of society for my children to succeed in their adulthood**

4.1  (48 )  
Ranked #54 of 295



**That they have a variety of skills and adaptability who knows what the world will be like in the next 10 years? They have to be able to make a life in it**

4.1  (47 )  
Ranked #55 of 295



**To become a well rounder member society. To have the tools to live successfully beyond the nest Life**

4.1  (47 )





skills are huge. How to balance a bank account, 401k, understanding health benefits	Ranked #56 of 295	2 ★ ■ 1 ★ ■
<b>Job and life skills to be successful</b>	4.1 ★★★★★ (46) ★ Ranked #57 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ █████ 2 ★ █ 1 ★ █
<b>To be active and productive citizens of the community</b>	4.1 ★★★★★ (46) ★ Ranked #58 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ █████ 2 ★ █ 1 ★ █
<b>To be critical consumers of information, valuing info from varied sources but recognizing biases and agendas in those sources.</b>	4.1 ★★★★★ (46) ★ Ranked #59 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ █████ 2 ★ █ 1 ★ █
<b>To learn to think independently I want them to learn to questions all forms of information so they learn to make choices for themselves</b>	4.1 ★★★★★ (46) ★ Ranked #60 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ █████ 2 ★ █ 1 ★ █
<b>College doesn't need to be the end goal. The trades can be even more lucrative and you can run your own business. Plumbing, HVAC, electrical, etc. College isn't for everyone. Trade jobs can pay well and offer flexible hours.</b>	4.1 ★★★★★ (45) ★ Ranked #61 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ █████ 2 ★ █ 1 ★ █
<b>Get the kids to enjoy learning and to keep reading and learning even after graduation. Learning and adapting is key throughout life.</b>	4.1 ★★★★★ (45) ★ Ranked #62 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ █████ 2 ★ █ 1 ★ █
<b>I hope they are able to develop the skills they need to engage in work they consider meaningful. I also hope they are happy with their choices. Having a life and job you are passionate about is so much more enjoyable than being stuck in something you hate.</b>	4.1 ★★★★★ (45) ★ Ranked #63 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ █████ 2 ★ █ 1 ★ █
<b>Intellectual and social skill learning. Working with others and being respectful. We all need this in life.</b>	4.1 ★★★★★ (45) ★ Ranked #64 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ █████ 2 ★ █ 1 ★ █

**That they feel accepted and not rejected. That they are prepared mentally for all of lifes challenges after high school.** I believe that how a child is raised, how much love and acceptance they feel, will truly shape the kind of adults they become.

4.1 ★★★★★ (45)  Ranked #65 of 295



**To be fully prepared to care for themselves and their future families** If they can care for themselves they will need to rely on others less and be able to contribute to the community.

4.1 ★★★★★ (45)  Ranked #66 of 295



**To discover and reach their full potential** If our children fully realize their gifts and strengths they'll thrive in their lives.

4.1 ★★★★★ (45)  Ranked #67 of 295



**To become a well educated citizen with good values.**  
To have a successful life.

4.1 ★★★★★ (44)  Ranked #68 of 295



**To enjoy learning, to be challenged and to feel safe and enjoy their time at school. I hope their school experience leads to great post grad options** A good overall experience is encouraging for students and helps them achieve their goal

4.1 ★★★★★ (44)  Ranked #69 of 295



**To give them the tools to be successful after graduation** They need a strong foundation to enter the ever changing world and workforce.

4.1 ★★★★★ (44)  Ranked #70 of 295



**Develop a strategy for a public school system to connect in a personal and meaningful way with every student to encourage their positive passions.** Each student has so much potential and often we fail to foster and develop the most unique and special talents hidden inside every person.

4.1 ★★★★★ (43)  Ranked #71 of 295




**I hope my child learns to value diversity, develops critical and analytical thinking skills, and becomes a life long learner who embraces change.** Our world is ever evolving and I want my child to have the tools to embrace change, value differences, and make decisions he can be proud of.

4.1 ★★★★★ (43)  Ranked #72 of 295



**I want every student to have every possible opportunity to grow and develop to their full potential in all areas of life.** Society changes one person at a time either for the good or for the bad. We want all the good we can get for our school district and community.

4.1  (43 )  
Ranked #73 of 295



**I want my children to be independent thinkers, but to always be thoughtful and empathetic to those around them.** Our children need to learn to navigate in a world where too many people see things in black in white instead of trying to find peace in the gray area

4.1  (42 )  
Ranked #74 of 295



**I hope that every student can experience the things they love and expand on their future dreams and hopes by learning about a variety of careers.** Variety helps them decide where they want to be.

4.1  (40 )  
Ranked #75 of 295





**make learning fun and exciting for them. Educate them in all the possibilities available to them** It will help set them up for life

4.1  (40 )  
Ranked #76 of 295





**I hope our students grow into life-long learners.** This is important in making the sky the limit in terms of their dreams!

4.1  (35 )  
Ranked #77 of 295





**To have the most positive experience they can have.** I believe this will encourage the students to want to learn.

4.1  (33 )  
Ranked #78 of 295





**That they are able to be involved in the community as respectful and productive citizens.** We need to teach kindness

4.1  (32 )  
Ranked #79 of 295



**They lead productive and successful lives after BSSD** They will tackle the important problems of the future.

4.1  (32 )  
Ranked #80 of 295



**They will be open-minded in considering new ideas.** Living in an echo-chamber will not promote growth.

4.1  (31 )  
Ranked #81 of 295



**To learn communication and social skills that will help them articulate their needs and wants & to be able to be good listeners in that same regard.** I think communication skills are the root of many problems & being a good communicator and empathic listener can also help solve problems

4.1  (31 )  
Ranked #82 of 295



**Growth Mindset** I hope that students develop a positive growth mindset that will help them as they get older. We can't do everything YET!

4.1  (29 )  
Ranked #83 of 295



**Learn how to research information effectively** Discern between factual, credible sources of information and information that is not.

4.1  (28 )  
Ranked #84 of 295



**Making Mistakes** I hope that students learn it is okay to make mistakes and that they help us grow.

4.1  (28 )  
Ranked #85 of 295



**Our hopes and dreams are that our student will be prepared to either engage in the work force or be ready to advance in any specific training needs.** Basic life skills seem to be missing in some students classes. They should be prepared to balance a check book or complete an application.

4.1  (28 )  
Ranked #86 of 295



**That every student will learn to read and write.** Because it is an important skill that everyone needs to know how to do in life.

4.1  (28 )  
Ranked #87 of 295




**Learning to be a community member** Whether it is job skills or people skills, students should know how to interact with others effectively

4.1  (27 )  
Ranked #88 of 295



**When students leave my classroom, I want them to know that they were loved and valued.** This is important because I never want a student thinking that I don't care about their wellbeing or their learning.

4.1  (25 )  
Ranked #89 of 295




**How to solve problems and realize that life does not offer a safe space every time you want it. Sometimes**

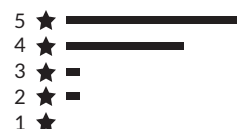
4.1  (24 )  
Ranked #90 of 295





**you have to think on your feet and deal.** resiliency is so important

**Challenging courses with high expectations and support from teachers to help each student be successful**

4.1  (22 )  
Ranked #91 of 295



**Have students understand that college is not for everyone** because there is not need to be in debt because they thought they had to go to college

4.1  (22 )  
Ranked #92 of 295



**I want my students to be ready for life after high school with skills that will help them be successful.** They need critical skills like communication, perseverance, and problem solving skills to meet the daily challenges they may come across.

4.1  (21 )  
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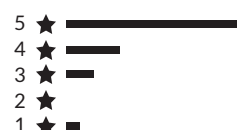
**To be a better person and successful in life.**

4.1  (21 )  
Ranked #94 of 295



**That they are self sufficient and happy when they graduate** I believe that independence helps people become happy productive adults

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Ranked #95 of 295



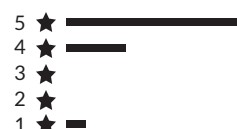
**To learn the skills necessary to survive and thrive for their future.**

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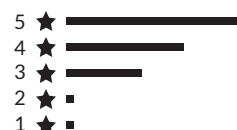
**I hope that our students become/continue to be good human beings who are ready to be productive citizens in society.** This is important because a person's "character is the real foundation of all worthwhile success."

4.1  (13 )  
Ranked #97 of 295



**I want my children to learn how to be successful in life and their career, learning necessary life skills** because I want them to be responsible citizens and be able to support their families.

4.0  (46 )  
Ranked #98 of 295



**I would love to see the embracing of experiential education at the elementary level with outdoor experiences, gardening, nutrition, and basic culinary** Teaching kids to be active outdoors (especially in a

4.0  (46 )  
Ranked #99 of 295



community with abundant outdoor recreation), and to enjoy healthy foods is a life long skill!

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**My dream is for my children to attend college or at least a trade school. I want them to be better prepared for adult life after high school.** The school to have marking periods dedicated to teaching them how to balance a checkbook, how to cook/clean, how to change the oil in their car, all

4.0 ★★★★★ (46 👤)  
Ranked #100 of 295



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**That they learn skills that will help them find success no matter their post-high school path**

4.0  (46 )

Ranked #101 of 295



**They learn what they are talented and passionate about so that they choose a field that they love.**

Having a job that you love is a huge benefit.

4.0  (46 )

Ranked #102 of 295



**To be exposed to as many areas of learning as possible** In order to have choices and options for their future learning

4.0  (46 )

Ranked #103 of 295



**To have a successful, well rounded education that teaches them the struggles of the past, and the issues of the present to help develop a different future.**

Learning of the past and present issues helps to develop a more well rounded future.

4.0  (46 )

Ranked #104 of 295



























































































































**Focus on communication skills, like active listening and actual writing of complete sentences with punctuation and correct spelling.** Device addiction is leading to the lost art of REAL communication which is essential to personal relationships and professional growth & success.

4.0  (45 )

Ranked #105 of 295



<p><b>For every student to love learning, be engaged in their classroom, get the help needed when they are struggling, and to succeed their own expectations</b></p>	<p>4.0  (45 )</p> <p>Ranked #106 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>For school to be a safe environment with supportive, caring staff who provide consistency and leadership.</b> Being a child and teen is emotionally challenging.</p>	<p>4.0  (45 )</p> <p>Ranked #107 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>Hard working</b> I think being hard working will open up so many opportunities and also build confidence.</p>	<p>4.0  (45 )</p> <p>Ranked #108 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>Our students will be curious and seek to find answers through their own learning.</b> This is important if one wants to be life-long learner.</p>	<p>4.0  (45 )</p> <p>Ranked #109 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>To be able to move ahead /have enrichment opportunities once material has been mastered in order to reach their full academic potential</b></p>	<p>4.0  (45 )</p> <p>Ranked #110 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>Life Skills</b> It is important for students and the District to continue to focus on skills that will carry students through life and a career.</p>	<p>4.0  (44 )</p> <p>Ranked #111 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>Our students will not be taught just to meet the standards on a test. They will be allowed to be creative.</b> I have seen a major decline in my children's interest in creative writing and reading as they have advanced to grades that take the PSSA.</p>	<p>4.0  (44 )</p> <p>Ranked #112 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>Students learn to follow rules and expectations needed in life for success or even survival.</b> Many students are lacking the ability to follow basic rules and expectations.</p>	<p>4.0  (44 )</p> <p>Ranked #113 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>That they be more compassionate humans.</b></p>	<p>4.0  (44 )</p> <p>Ranked #114 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>I want my kids to be including, hardworking and kind people.</b> It is more important to me that my kids are well rounded, kind people than anything else.</p>	<p>4.0  (43 )</p> <p>Ranked #115 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>



**Learning how to cope with the world around us.**

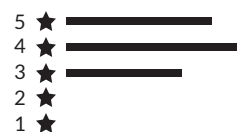
Coping in the real world is different then home life or school life. Dealing with people and situations outside of school is extremely important.

4.0  (43 )  
Ranked #116 of 295



**To have the tools necessary to have a successful school career** Without proper outlets for different needs for our students some of them can be left behind.

4.0  (42 )  
Ranked #117 of 295



**To learn important & relevant information for this day and age.** I want to help my daughter be better prepared for the world.

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Ranked #118 of 295



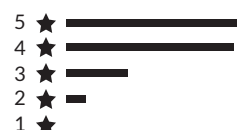
**that they become independent, critical thinkers** because our world is teeming with misinformation and we are in climate crisis and need to address. we also need empathy

4.0  (42 )  
Ranked #119 of 295



**My hopes and dreams for the students at Big Spring is that they feel truly cared about and that they can learn in a normal classroom setting.** This is Important because with Covid their lives have been turned upside down.

4.0  (41 )  
Ranked #120 of 295



**My hopes and dreams for our students is that students are successful in whatever path they choose.** They pave the way to our futures.

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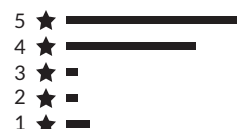
**I hope that all of my students will remember to be kind to each other.** Because it is important to be kind to everyone.

4.0  (34 )  
Ranked #122 of 295



**I hope they are able to handle the unexpected things life throws at them.** Resilience is the key to overcoming obstacles, the only way failure becomes a learning experience.







































































4.0  (30 )  
Ranked #123 of 295



**I hope students use everything they learned at BS to make good choices for their future career and family.** Our students need to be productive members of society.

4.0  (24 )  
Ranked #124 of 295



<b>To have access to mental health support.</b> Mental health effects everything we do.	4.0  (24  ) Ranked #125 of 295	5  4  3  2  1 
<b>Student are getting what they truly need to succeed in the here and now and future.</b> Each student is different and may need different things for success.	4.0  (23  ) Ranked #126 of 295	5  4  3  2  1 
<b>I want students to learn real world lessons</b> it will help them be prepared for live after school	4.0  (22  ) Ranked #127 of 295	5  4  3  2  1 
<b>That they be able to apply the academic and behavioral skills they learn in school to their lives outside of school.</b>	4.0  (22  ) Ranked #128 of 295	5  4  3  2  1 
<b>that students can find what they are good at as a trade and develop that to provide a means of income for themselves and a family self sufficient</b>	4.0  (22  ) Ranked #129 of 295	5  4  3  2  1 
<b>I just hope that we prepare them for life.</b> It's literally the most important thing to prepare them to be productive citizens in their community.	4.0  (21  ) Ranked #130 of 295	5  4  3  2  1 
<b>That they are able to read fluently on grade level</b> You need to be able to read to be successful in life	4.0  (21  ) Ranked #131 of 295	5  4  3  2  1 
<b>That they continue to grow and learn even beyond their time here in the district</b> You can not grow as a person without continuing to learn	4.0  (21  ) Ranked #132 of 295	5  4  3  2  1 
<b>I hope at the middle level we can provide "experiences" for our students, in which they can pursure those passions at the high school level.</b>	4.0  (20  ) Ranked #133 of 295	5  4  3  2  1 
<b>To be confident to try new things, as well as to flourish in their areas of strengths.</b> I never felt confident to try new things until I was an adult.	4.0  (19  ) Ranked #134 of 295	5  4  3  2  1 

<p><b>They become productive members of society. So other people to not have to support them.</b></p>	<p>4.0 ★★★★★ (18)</p> <p>Ranked #135 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>Become a respectful Adult</b></p>	<p>4.0 ★★★★★ (16)</p> <p>Ranked #136 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>Grow physically, mentally, and socially Maturity should be part of life</b></p>	<p>4.0 ★★★★★ (16)</p> <p>Ranked #137 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>Grow more as an individual, understanding their impact on the world around them. Thinking, considering others, and having a willingness to speak up. This will help them relate to others and make a difference in the world - hopefully, for the better!</b></p>	<p>4.0 ★★★★★ (15)</p> <p>Ranked #138 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>To be successful contributing members of society. They are our future and we need them to lead and make important decisions someday.</b></p>	<p>4.0 ★★★★★ (14)</p> <p>Ranked #139 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>That they have a variety of skill sets to apply to real world situations (like money management, cooking, basic law, health, typing) We need to be sure we are teaching life skills and not just reading and math, even at the elementary and middle school levels.</b></p>	<p>4.0 ★★★★★ (9)</p> <p>Ranked #140 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>I hope that our students can graduate with the ability to decipher fact from fiction and they are able to use information to make decisions.</b></p>	<p>4.0 ★★★★★ (7)</p> <p>Ranked #141 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>For them to learn the most they can So they can go somewhere in life with or without a degree</b></p>	<p>3.9 ★★★★★ (48)</p> <p>Ranked #142 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>Getting back to hands on learning, not everything done on screens. Kids their age shouldn't be spending half of their day staring at either a tablet or laptop.</b></p>	<p>3.9 ★★★★★ (46)</p> <p>Ranked #143 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>

**Teach American history more.** If you do not learn from the past, you will make the same mistakes again. Teach how to think not what to think

3.9  (46 )  
Ranked #144 of 295



**They drive innovation and excellence after graduation.** We need to train leaders and foster creativity.

3.9  (46 )  
Ranked #145 of 295



**They give back to the local community.** Giving to others is an important aspect that would be nice to see all students participate in... not just those in honor societies or scouts.

3.9  (46 )  
Ranked #146 of 295



**that they are exposed to lots of different viewpoints and world views** Because they need to understand their place in the world, the benefits and resources we have that can help and humans ALL deserve respect and care

3.9  (46 )  
Ranked #147 of 295



**I hope that our students learn that it is okay to have a different point of view than others and to not be judged by their personal views.** Many times our children feel like they are forced conform to a way of living that is contrary to the values they hold tight to.

3.9  (45 )  
Ranked #148 of 295



**I want them to learn as much as they can learn in a lot of different areas. I want them to understand that people have different interests and talents** Not everyone learns the same way or is interested in the same things, and that's okay!

3.9  (45 )  
Ranked #149 of 295



**Love learning**

3.9  (45 )  
Ranked #150 of 295



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**To have well rounded, educated kids with tools to assist them when they meet challenges.** I feel that we expect alot from kids but we don't give them the tools to be able to do things on their own.

3.9  (45 )  
Ranked #151 of 295



**Getting more children interested earlier in votech and preparing them to go that direction. Not everyone should be going to college.** They can learn life skills and as we have learned over these past few years. The essential worker is the blue collar worker.

3.9  (44 )  
Ranked #152 of 295



**I would like less time spent on standardized testing!** Imagine everything else they could learn if we didn't spend so much time on focusing on standardized testing!

3.9  (44 )  
Ranked #153 of 295



**Learn history and the outcomes of historical events and how they impact today.** History directly impacts how and why we do things today.

3.9  (44 )  
Ranked #154 of 295



**To get a good solid education and be able to succeed in life** I want them to be able to have a good job and accomplish things

3.9  (44 )  
Ranked #155 of 295



**your going to make mistakes but the biggest mistake is not learning from it. you can't change the past but you can control your future.** hard work and learning from past mistakes builds character. not everything is going to go the way you want it to. but how you handle makes you better

3.9 ★★★★★ (44)   
 Ranked #156 of 295



**Being kind** Learning and academic topics are important, but being kind will help students make great strides in college and the workforce.

3.9 ★★★★★ (43)   
 Ranked #157 of 295



**For our students to learn ideas and practices that will be useful to them in a real life situation** Real life knowledge is important.

3.9 ★★★★★ (43)   
 Ranked #158 of 295



**My hope is that students develop critical thinking skills to stand up for truth as they navigate this world.**

3.9 ★★★★★ (43)   
 Ranked #159 of 295



**That they get a well rounded education and learn things they will use the rest of their life.** Learning things that are useful in the real world and give a broad understanding are important.

3.9 ★★★★★ (43)   
 Ranked #160 of 295



**I hope for my girls to be able to take care of themselves and to do something they enjoy as a career.** We all need to be self-sufficient and that requires making enough money to prosper in our society. But, I do not want them to only worry about money.

3.9 ★★★★★ (41)   
 Ranked #161 of 295



**Keeping them in school** I feel education at this level is better face to face

3.9 ★★★★★ (41)   
 Ranked #162 of 295



**lifelong learners and lovers of subjects, even if they don't pursue them as a career** to keep the world harmonious

3.9 ★★★★★ (35)   
 Ranked #163 of 295



**A safe and comfortable place to learn and grow** So kids want to go to school to participate and learn with their peers

3.9 ★★★★★ (33)   
 Ranked #164 of 295



**A safe learning environment where my kids can make friends and learn**

3.9 ★★★★★ (33)

Ranked #165 of 295



**I would like our students to be proud of their alma mater and be able to compete against other graduates for prestigious jobs and colleges. To be competitive in the job market can help our community grow beyond it's blue collar identity.**

3.9 ★★★★★ (33)

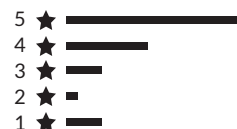
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**I hope that our students can be caring and helpful citizens. There are some qualities that the students do not learn in a classroom.**

3.9 ★★★★★ (29)

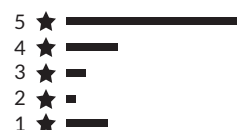
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**Life Relevant Experiences teaching empathy, communication skills, cultural tolerance,**

3.9 ★★★★★ (29)

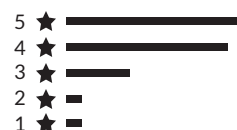
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**I hope that our students feel safe and accepted in each of our classrooms. Creating a safe learning environment provides opportunity to safely experience failure and learn the value in learning from our mistakes.**

3.9 ★★★★★ (27)

Ranked #169 of 295



**That they possess the skills to pursue a life that allows them to be safe, happy and achieve a sense of fulfillment. This is important because this reflects what I find meaningful in my own life.**

3.9 ★★★★★ (26)

Ranked #170 of 295



**How to handle emotions and adverse situations. To have skills that gain them access to every educational or vocational avenue possible. We are creating good citizens and humans, not just human calculators or textbook writers.**

3.9 ★★★★★ (25)

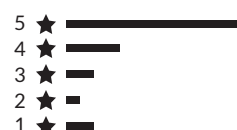
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**My hope is that my students feel welcome and important while they are at school. They feel like they are cared about. They feel comfortable as well. If they feel all of the above things while they are within the walls of the building, then the learning and academics will come with it.**

3.9 ★★★★★ (22)

Ranked #172 of 295



<p><b>Students learn things that they can use throughout their daily lives.</b></p>	<p>3.9  (20 )</p> <p>Ranked #173 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>That they are kind to others</b> To make the world a better place.</p>	<p>3.9  (20 )</p> <p>Ranked #174 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>We hope to have our children develop appropriate life skills.</b> Too many today want things done for them instead of doing for themselves. They feel they are due something without any effort.</p>	<p>3.9  (18 )</p> <p>Ranked #175 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>Safe environment</b> Emotional growth and support free of bullying</p>	<p>3.9  (17 )</p> <p>Ranked #176 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>High quality education</b> To prepare for college and higher education</p>	<p>3.9  (16 )</p> <p>Ranked #177 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>To feel comfortable and like they belong, no matter their backgrounds.</b> My husband attended this district when he was a child and moved to a different district due to racial discrimination by both students and teachers.</p>	<p>3.9  (15 )</p> <p>Ranked #178 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>I want them to learn all that they can and be prepared to join the world. Our world is becoming more confusing and navigating it is challenging.</b> It is important because they need to know how to succeed not just have the knowledge for their career path.</p>	<p>3.9  (14 )</p> <p>Ranked #179 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>To care for other people and work together.</b> This will create a peaceful atmosphere.</p>	<p>3.9  (14 )</p> <p>Ranked #180 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>I hope they can learn to read and write so they can communicate and grow in whatever field or activity they chose to do as an adult.</b></p>	<p>3.9  (11 )</p> <p>Ranked #181 of 295</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p> <p>2  </p> <p>1  </p>
<p><b>That they are engaged and interested in learning</b> Because if learning is engaging &amp; fun, they will want to</p>	<p>3.9  (5 )</p>	<p>5  </p> <p>4  </p> <p>3  </p>



keep doing it throughout their lives - which is important for so many reasons	Ranked #182 of 295	2 ★ 1 ★
<p><b>My hope is for students to be free thinkers, who have the ability to comprehend data, research facts and make educated informed decisions.</b> Critical thinkers are able to ask why and look for solutions. Communities need leaders willing to serve and improve upon existing structure.</p>	<p>3.9 ★★★★★ (4 🧑)</p> <p>Ranked #183 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████</p>
<p><b>I would like my child to also be rewarded for success. But to also realize that sometimes the reward is in realizing a job well done is the reward.</b> Not every success in your adult life will get you that first place ribbon. We need to teach children about disappointment as well and how to accept it</p>	<p>3.8 ★★★★★ (47 🧑)</p> <p>Ranked #184 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████</p>
<p><b>Push kids to learn and participate in creative outlets. Music is one great way. The earlier the better.</b> Creativity leads to innovation.</p>	<p>3.8 ★★★★★ (47 🧑)</p> <p>Ranked #185 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████</p>
<p><b>They need the social interaction and the ability to understand each other.</b> This is slowly creating a gap between person to person interactions. We must be able to understand one another views and behaviors.</p>	<p>3.8 ★★★★★ (46 🧑)</p> <p>Ranked #186 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████</p>
<p><b>children need to learn from the teacher, not a computer. Understand each child's learning level instead of clumping/mixing children in one class.</b> Some children need a challenge in their work while others need more assistance completing their schoolwork. This would lessen the stress on teacher</p>	<p>3.8 ★★★★★ (45 🧑)</p> <p>Ranked #187 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████</p>
<p><b>Have the best learning experiences at Big Spring and it provides them with the foundation, educationally to achieve their goals.</b> happy and successful life</p>	<p>3.8 ★★★★★ (45 🧑)</p> <p>Ranked #188 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████</p>
<p><b>I hope our child has social, athletic, leadership, and other non-academic experiences during her BSSD tenure to make her a well-rounded person.</b></p>	<p>3.8 ★★★★★ (45 🧑)</p> <p>Ranked #189 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████</p>

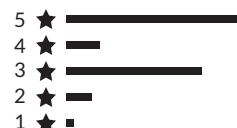
**Our students will be accepting of everyone and treat all people they meet with kindness. Love.**

3.8 ★★★★★ (45)   
 Ranked #190 of 295



**To be successful and happy**

3.8 ★★★★★ (45)   
 Ranked #191 of 295



**To learn to look past the what and learn about the why something happened.** Too much of the media and landscape today is garbage accepted at face value. You have to look deeper.

3.8 ★★★★★ (45)   
 Ranked #192 of 295



**It's all about experiences and having the right "in-person" tools available to understand why their education is important.** It will build onto their lives on many levels. Children don't see the level of importance. It's our job to lead them and show them why.

3.8 ★★★★★ (44)   
 Ranked #193 of 295



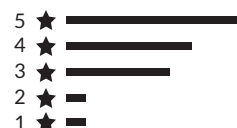
**I want my children to learn about the issues facing our world today, but with a neutral perspective that allows them to form their own opinions** Children need to learn how to do their own research and form their own intelligent opinion, instead of just reproducing the opinions of media or peers

3.8 ★★★★★ (43)   
 Ranked #194 of 295



**To be successful** To show students they can be anything and do anything.

3.8 ★★★★★ (43)   
 Ranked #195 of 295



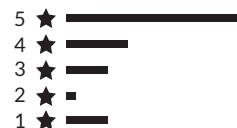
**I hope that my children understand that it's alright not to always agree with someone!**

3.8 ★★★★★ (41)   
 Ranked #196 of 295



**That our students will be taught how to think for themselves and NOT be taught what to think.** There is nothing more important than learning to be an independent thinker!

3.8 ★★★★★ (32)   
 Ranked #197 of 295



**be well-rounded** There are some careers not even created yet that they will have in their future

3.8 ★★★★★ (32)   
 Ranked #198 of 295



**I hope for my students to think and act independently within society appropriately.**

**3.8**  (31 )  
Ranked #199 of 295



**To have a well rounded knowledge and live happy healthy lives So that they feel fulfilled and can give back to others**

**3.8**  (29 )  
Ranked #200 of 295



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**Prepared to be successful in their pathway after high school**

3.8  (25 )

Ranked #201 of 295



**To understand that personal values are important and should be honored.** Society should be open to everyone's personal beliefs and experiences.

3.8  (22 )

Ranked #202 of 295



**I hope that they follow their dreams and make the most out of their lives** It's important to have something to strive for

3.8  (20 )

Ranked #203 of 295



**Resiliency** A lot of students cannot think critically and are not equipped with the tools that they need to do so.

3.8  (20 )

Ranked #204 of 295



**learn to public speak** to be able to speak to all crowds

3.8  (19 )

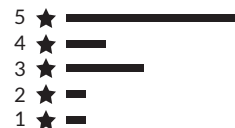
Ranked #205 of 295



**Fundamentals** Teach our students Math, English, Science and History free of opinion. Allow them to form opinions of the world on their own accord.

3.8  (17 )



















Ranked #206 of 295



<p><b>Proper education is important. I hope that my children will receive quality education that teaches them not so much what to think, but how to think.</b> A proper, non-biased education helps to ensure that our children will be strong, objective thinkers. Our society needs more leaders, less followers.</p>	<p>3.8 ★★★★★ (13)</p> <p>Ranked #207 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>Be compassionate.</b> Being kind is cool. It helps others and helps the individual too.</p>	<p>3.8 ★★★★★ (4)</p> <p>Ranked #208 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>That they are not just taught facts but true life skills that will make them good citizens</b></p>	<p>3.8 ★★★★★ (4)</p> <p>Ranked #209 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>They have the opportunity to learn other life skills like time management, the power of habits, &amp; the benefits of grit and discipline in the workplace</b> Basic training in these types of life-skills can help students excel in balancing their personal &amp; professional life, and excelling in their careers</p>	<p>3.8 ★★★★★ (4)</p> <p>Ranked #210 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ █████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>To not be strictly set on only one goal.</b> Having many goals can lead to many accomplishments.</p>	<p>3.7 ★★★★★ (47)</p> <p>Ranked #211 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ ████████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>Quit teaching to tests . Tests should not be what shows if they have mastered a topic especially when topic gets changed to simulate keystone testing.</b> Some kids don't test well. It doesn't mean they don't understand the material. It just means they don't test well. Stop all the testing!</p>	<p>3.7 ★★★★★ (46)</p> <p>Ranked #212 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ ████████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>That they have empathy and understanding for their fellow humans</b> they will see climate refugees, they will see people who need help</p>	<p>3.7 ★★★★★ (46)</p> <p>Ranked #213 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ ████████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>To have freedom of thought, to not be dragged into thinking one way.</b> Thinking only one way will restrict future opportunities.</p>	<p>3.7 ★★★★★ (46)</p> <p>Ranked #214 of 295</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ ████████</p> <p>2 ★ █████</p> <p>1 ★ █████</p>
<p><b>I want their curriculum to be topics that prepare them for life outside of school. Not focused on</b></p>	<p>3.7 ★★★★★ (45)</p>	<p>5 ★ ██████████</p> <p>4 ★ ████████</p> <p>3 ★ ████████</p>

<b>opinion</b> The focus of education should or be for preparation of real life	Ranked #215 of 295	2 ★ 1 ★
<b>To be successful</b> They are the future	3.7 ★★★★★ (45) ★ Ranked #216 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>to be able to learn in school</b> they need the interaction with teachers and friends	3.7 ★★★★★ (45) ★ Ranked #217 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>For students to be in an inclusive environment, where all can learn equally.</b> It's important to be inclusive and equal.	3.7 ★★★★★ (44) ★ Ranked #218 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>To have a successful and positive schooling &amp; learning experience.</b> It will path the way for each student's memories and the passageway of their future family.	3.7 ★★★★★ (40) ★ Ranked #219 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>I hope that are students will make differences in society and put Newville "on the map" for positive reasons</b> It will bring a sense of hometown pride to our town and students.	3.7 ★★★★★ (30) ★ Ranked #220 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>To not become complacent, to be resilient, and to be altruistic.</b> If they can learn these traits, they will be able to advocate for themselves and advocate for others as they navigate the challenges of life.	3.7 ★★★★★ (28) ★ Ranked #221 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>students have fun and make friends</b> it is important to make connection at a young age	3.7 ★★★★★ (20) ★ Ranked #222 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>I hope that girl's can understand to be kind and pick each other up rather than pull them down.</b> i have noticed my daughter having issues with girl friends at school	3.7 ★★★★★ (18) ★ Ranked #223 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★
<b>Love to see them get back to a more normal learning environment with field trips and activities</b>	3.7 ★★★★★ (16) ★ Ranked #224 of 295	5 ★ 4 ★ 3 ★ 2 ★ 1 ★

<b>Role model citizens.</b>	3.7 ★★★★★ (16)	Ranked #225 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ ██████ 2 ★ █████ 1 ★ █████
<b>To graduate and go to college</b> That is her dream	3.6 ★★★★★ (46)	Ranked #226 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ ██████ 2 ★ █████ 1 ★ █████
<b>Drivers ed &amp; small maintenance</b> Not everyone has a person that can teach them the most important part of getting somewhere, driving and small maintenance on the vehicle.	3.6 ★★★★★ (45)	Ranked #227 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ ██████ 2 ★ █████ 1 ★ █████
<b>For my daughter to be able to do simple math, read a ruler, sign and wrote a check, make change with out a computer or calculator.</b> Because everyday life needs to be back in school!	3.6 ★★★★★ (45)	Ranked #228 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ ██████ 2 ★ █████ 1 ★ █████
<b>They need to be taught the basics in school, reading, writing and arithmetic. They need to think for themselves not told what to think.</b> Being taught the basics will help guide them in life. It worked out well for me.	3.6 ★★★★★ (45)	Ranked #229 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ ██████ 2 ★ █████ 1 ★ █████
<b>My student's education isn't impacted by a few student's negative behaviors and disregard for authority.</b> A few students can greatly impact others opportunities and education.	3.6 ★★★★★ (44)	Ranked #230 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ ██████ 2 ★ █████ 1 ★ █████
<b>That they have opportunities available to them to collaborate across grade levels and possibly buildings as well.</b>	3.6 ★★★★★ (43)	Ranked #231 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ ██████ 2 ★ █████ 1 ★ █████
<b>I hope teachers teach with focus on their assigned disciplines while encouraging students to make positive connections with peers.</b> Students need to master the basics (math, science, language, arts) in order to progress outside of high school. Most of all, they need good friends.	3.6 ★★★★★ (27)	Ranked #232 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ ██████ 2 ★ █████ 1 ★ █████
<b>to be successful</b> makes you a better person	3.6 ★★★★★ (18)	Ranked #233 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ████████ 3 ★ ██████ 2 ★ █████ 1 ★ █████

<p><b>to be happy &amp; educated</b></p>	<p>3.6  ( 16 ) Ranked #234 of 295</p>	
<p><b>To get back to as “normal” of a school day as possible</b> To keep the pandemic from having any lasting negative impact on their learning</p>	<p>3.6  ( 15 ) Ranked #235 of 295</p>	
<p><b>I hope that our children do not become “indoctrinated”, but rather empowered by teachers who challenge students to think.</b> Critical thinking and problem solving can mean the difference between success and failure. I would much rather see successful adults in the future.</p>	<p>3.6  ( 14 ) Ranked #236 of 295</p>	
<p><b>Learning basics academically and socially</b></p>	<p>3.6  ( 13 ) Ranked #237 of 295</p>	
<p><b>To be caring and loving to all.</b></p>	<p>3.6  ( 8 ) Ranked #238 of 295</p>	
<p><b>That they are continually challenged and can learn at a level that stretches their potential and keeps them engaged.</b> If kids are only taught to a level that satisfies state testing requirements, the exceptional learners will never meet their full potential.</p>	<p>3.6  ( 6 ) Ranked #239 of 295</p>	
<p><b>I want our students to be well prepared for life after high school no matter what path they are pursuing.</b> The school should be providing the foundation for a successful career, whatever that may be. For the most part the school does a fine job of that.</p>	<p>3.6  ( 5 ) Ranked #240 of 295</p>	
<p><b>That they get a foundation of practical learning around adult life-skills, basic finance, and business.</b> So many students are book smart, but don't have a foundation for how to make wise financial decisions and debt is a real problem for young adults</p>	<p>3.6  ( 4 ) Ranked #241 of 295</p>	
<p><b>Teach a more rigorous education Better job prospects</b></p>	<p>3.5  ( 48 ) Ranked #242 of 295</p>	



**bring back field trips for kids** my son dont even know a field trip is

3.5 ★★★★★ (47 🧑)   
 Ranked #243 of 295



**To get the academic support he needs** I know he has difficulties and the support is what he needs

3.5 ★★★★★ (46 🧑)   
 Ranked #244 of 295



**More extra curricular activities, more physical exercise , MORE LEARNING HOW TO HAVE CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS** Better learning, more thinking for themselves

3.5 ★★★★★ (45 🧑)   
 Ranked #245 of 295



**They have more time to digest material.** Not everyone learns at the same pace. Which is expected with the way the material is designed to learn in today's curriculum base.

3.5 ★★★★★ (45 🧑)   
 Ranked #246 of 295



**I hope my son isn't overwhelmed by near constant assessment tests.** Assessment tests for funding don't have any benefit for the child and puts way too much pressure on them.

3.5 ★★★★★ (44 🧑)   
 Ranked #247 of 295



**Their well-being** They are our children

3.5 ★★★★★ (42 🧑)   
 Ranked #248 of 295



**For my son to become a more independent young man that is more confident in himself. So that he can do anything that he puts his mind too!** My son is a very soft hearted boy! He tends to think he can't do something, he is always negative about himself and the projects he does!

3.5 ★★★★★ (41 🧑)   
 Ranked #249 of 295



**The Main Thing** Big Spring is, is family, small town feeling. We are a microcosm, that needs to be embraced and represented to surrounding schools "a community, place, or situation regarded as encapsulating in miniature the characteristic qualities or features of something much larger"

3.5 ★★★★★ (39 🧑)   
 Ranked #250 of 295



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**Maintain cutting edge tech, put money on resources to that to 1 stay competitive 2 pass information more efficiently to students (now and after Grad) Update Wi-Fi, infrastructure and Hardware, Research new tech, hire great techs, Update/maintain your cyber security foot print at schools and for home**

3.5  (35 )  
Ranked #251 of 295



**To take the time our children are in school and use that wisely Learning is important**

3.5  (32 )  
Ranked #252 of 295



**I hope that my students are able to read and comprehend on grade level.**

3.5  (30 )  
Ranked #253 of 295



**Growth Too many students are not pushed enough to succeed in school.**

3.5  (21 )  
Ranked #254 of 295



**To be the successful woman.**

3.5  (19 )  
Ranked #255 of 295



**To be proud of what they can do.**

3.5  (10 )



Ranked #256 of 295

 2 ★   
 1 ★ 

**The power of connection! For students to be a part of learning communities the come together and support each other.** Cultivating more kindness, empathy, curiosity, flexibility and competence will contribute to a greater understanding of their learning and life.

 3.5 ★★★★★ (8   
 Ranked #257 of 295

 5 ★   
 4 ★   
 3 ★   
 2 ★   
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**The curriculum shall be more challenging. The kids are behind and I am not seeing much catch up this year. More advanced notice about school activitie**

 3.4 ★★★★★ (49   
 Ranked #258 of 295

 5 ★   
 4 ★   
 3 ★   
 2 ★   
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**Students should be held to higher standards to follow basic expectations in school to prepare them for life (no hats/hoods, walking in the hall, etc.)** Not following basic rules and expectations, causing poor learning environments. Which impacts ALL students and they aren't prepared for the real world

 3.4 ★★★★★ (44   
 Ranked #259 of 295

 5 ★   
 4 ★   
 3 ★   
 2 ★   
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**To get back into the routine of going to school regularly, full time.** Not only is it important for the kids, but for the working parents who have to change their schedule last minute to accommodate school changes.

 3.4 ★★★★★ (43   
 Ranked #260 of 295

 5 ★   
 4 ★   
 3 ★   
 2 ★   
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**Field trips I want field trips brought back!** Other schools go on field trips several times a year while it feels our children only get one if any now.

 3.4 ★★★★★ (40   
 Ranked #261 of 295

 5 ★   
 4 ★   
 3 ★   
 2 ★   
 1 ★ 

**I hope that our students can get back to being students very soon.** They are resilient but have been through some challenging times.

 3.4 ★★★★★ (31   
 Ranked #262 of 295

 5 ★   
 4 ★   
 3 ★   
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**That they may live, learn and grow respecting the principles of our Democracy and what the United States stands for.** Our young people are not learning respect for our flag and our democracy in general. They are exposed to negativity in the home and from peers.

 3.4 ★★★★★ (5   
 Ranked #263 of 295































































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**Strive for continued education and personal growth.** We can always improve ourselves. People who are

 3.4 ★★★★★ (2 

 5 ★   
 4 ★   
 3 ★   
 2 ★ 

willing and active learns as adults tend to be more vested in their future and their communities.	Ranked #264 of 295	1 ★
<b>More families from outside of our community will move into the district.</b> There is such a limited world-view held by many within our community. We need to hear of and learn about other experiences beyond Newville.	3.3 ★★★★★ (46) Ranked #265 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████
<b>I want my children to be feel safe at school. Mask up! My child shouldn't have to worry about bringing home a virus that could effect immune compromised family members bc others feel they shouldn't have wear them! Stop fighting the schools for trying to keep your children safe!</b>	3.3 ★★★★★ (43) Ranked #266 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████
<b>Ever, Always Strong. You see this everywhere in Big Spring, in contrast you do not see this in surrounding schools, other schools are on CNN disgraced This Mantra needs cultivated, engrained from the lowest to the highest grades AND in the community.</b>	3.3 ★★★★★ (37) Ranked #267 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████
<b>To succeed in all they do</b>	3.3 ★★★★★ (13) Ranked #268 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████
<b>We want our children to be able to learn without political and societal pressures.</b> They need to be able to make informed decisions based on facts, not opinions. Many today are influenced by family prejudice and pressure.	3.3 ★★★★★ (11) Ranked #269 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████
<b>I hope all of our children graduate from high school.</b> Everyone needs a high school education nowadays.	3.3 ★★★★★ (10) Ranked #270 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████
<b>The they remain polite and well mannered, a hallmark of the Big Spring student body that has always impressed me.</b> Respect, understand, care and compassion are important elements of a civil society. Without these, learning will fail.	3.3 ★★★★★ (3) Ranked #271 of 295	5 ★ ██████████ 4 ★ ██████████ 3 ★ ██████████ 2 ★ ██████████ 1 ★ ██████████
<b>I want my children to learn to respect other people, and to be able to respectfully express their</b>		5 ★ ██████████

<p><b>perspective in an assertive (not aggressive) way. Civil communication is a keystone of our democracy and of human decency, no matter what perspective a person holds.</b></p>	<p><b>3.3</b>  (1 ) Ranked #272 of 295</p>	<p>4  3  2  1 </p>
<p><b>I want my children to love learning new things, and to understand how learning and discovery will make them successful in any future path. That spark for learning is essential, no matter what career/future path a student will take in the future.</b></p>	<p><b>3.3</b>  (1 ) Ranked #273 of 295</p>	<p>5  4  3  2  1 </p>
<p><b>I want two parent teacher conferences a year one after 1st semester and another after 3rd semester! If you can't do two it would make more sense to do one in the middle of the year.</b></p>	<p><b>3.2</b>  (42 ) Ranked #274 of 295</p>	<p>5  4  3  2  1 </p>
<p><b>Public school curriculum should exclude content which requires students to be subjected to politically-driven indoctrination to earn credit. Politicis do not belong in the classroom.</b></p>	<p><b>3.1</b>  (43 ) Ranked #275 of 295</p>	<p>5  4  3  2  1 </p>
<p><b>Better fund raisers not everyone is rich and can afford to pay the ridiculous prices for some of these fundraisers! Look into different options!</b></p>	<p><b>3.1</b>  (40 ) Ranked #276 of 295</p>	<p>5  4  3  2  1 </p>
<p><b>No more masks</b></p>	<p><b>3.1</b>  (21 ) Ranked #277 of 295</p>	<p>5  4  3  2  1 </p>
<p><b>be good</b></p>	<p><b>3.1</b>  (17 ) Ranked #278 of 295</p>	<p>5  4  3  2  1 </p>
<p><b>be safe</b></p>	<p><b>3.1</b>  (14 ) Ranked #279 of 295</p>	<p>5  4  3  2  1 </p>
<p><b>That families will have the opportunity to be part of their students brick and mortar experience in the school buildings. Our family likes to be involved in her education both in school &amp; out. There are some days I feel like I'm sending her to a prison, no one in or out.</b></p>	<p><b>3.0</b>  (45 ) Ranked #280 of 295</p>	<p>5  4  3  2  1 </p>

<p><b>Encourage more reading and writing outside of school. No homework means no review or writing.</b> Forces them to be reading at home and practice writing.</p>	<p>3.0  (44 ) Ranked #281 of 295</p>	
<p><b>Stay open</b> It help my son do his work</p>	<p>3.0  (44 ) Ranked #282 of 295</p>	
<p><b>That they learn the basics. Reading writing and arithmetic, not social justice issues. That is for parents to teach</b> If not you are ruining their future</p>	<p>3.0  (44 ) Ranked #283 of 295</p>	
<p><b>I would like to see elementary children taught that it's alright not to like everyone. This whole we are all friends should stop. When they grow up they won't like everyone and everyone won't them. They also need to understand that don't give them the right to be mean to others.</b></p>	<p>3.0  (42 ) Ranked #284 of 295</p>	
<p><b>I want my children to be able to learn in a safe environment, even though safety may look different for each family. I believe parents should have the right to choose what safety looks like for their family within reason</b></p>	<p>3.0  (41 ) Ranked #285 of 295</p>	
<p><b>I would like to see 6th grade boys be able to join middle school soccer. Some kids are to talented for rec!</b> My 6th grade sons sport is Soccer. Since MS Soccer don't allow 6th graders to join he will now lose a whole season!</p>	<p>3.0  (41 ) Ranked #286 of 295</p>	
<p><b>We need to prepare our students for college/workforce at a much higher standard than what's currently being done.</b> Big Spring has "spoon-fed" our students and has not properly prepared them for what lies ahead (ie. Thinking for themselves/problem-solving).</p>	<p>3.0  (2 ) Ranked #287 of 295</p>	
<p><b>Since COVID parents it feels like parents have become an after thought. So much of our children's education has been taken out of our hands. I want to be an active part of my child's education. Couldn't</b></p>	<p>2.9  (45 ) Ranked #288 of 295</p>	

parents be given a complete calendar/syllabus of what they will be learning each week?

**We should have more agricultural issues being taught in the regular classroom.** There are many farms around here and we would hire more locals if they applied.

2.8  (3 )  
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**Big Spring Sports.** There %100 needs to be a level set appreciation of ALL sports in Big Spring.

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**have a place live in with my family**

2.6  (13 )  
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**When will parents be allowed to participate in school activities again** Some days it feels like my child is in jail since I'm not even allowed in the building.

2.2  (18 )  
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**I like turtles** Cus

2.2  (4 )  
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**how my kid is doing**

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Ranked #295 of 295

