



SD69 QUALICUM

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Thoughtexchange Results

Students in grades 6-12 recently had the chance to voice their opinions about their learning. We are listening closely to what is being said. We want to use what we hear to make changes that will strengthen the experience students have at school, and give them the tools they need for life-long success.



The Big Things Students Were Talking About

Grade 6-7

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FIELD TRIPS

2

SPORTS + P.E.

3

ELECTIVES

Grade 8-12

1

FLEX BLOCK

2

TEACHERS

3

ELECTIVES

Top Thoughts from Grade 6-7

These are all unique and original thoughts from our students that were highly starred in each question. Go to <http://thotex.com/sites/ah0oi6uxZsM> to see the full results, or read below for a short summary.

1. What are some things that your school is doing to make your learning interesting or enjoyable?

Use of technology: iPads and computers. By using the technology that is available at my school, I am able to neatly express my ideas in writing, math and science. It makes it much easier to add pictures to my writing. It makes writing essays, stories and poems more enjoyable when I am able to use computer.

I enjoy doing P.E. every day.

Field trips. I really enjoy field trips because it is a good way to get off school grounds and learn in a completely different environment. It is very cool to go to different places (ex. Science World, camping, hikes, swimming, skating, etc.). Field trips are a lot more exciting than sitting in a classroom.

2. What are some things that your school could do differently to make your learning more interesting or enjoyable?

Studying outside. I feel if we got to go outside to study or whatever project we are doing - I feel if we got to do that it would feel more calm and enjoyable to be in the sun while we work and our minds would be more open.

3. Describe a class/school experience when you felt good about your learning

Playland! To learn about gravity and its pull, we went on rides in Playland! It was way more fun to go on a rollercoaster than read a text book, I really had a super fun time but I was still learning about gravity and its pull! I recommended more learning field trips to keep kids like myself interested!

Top Thoughts from Grade 8-12

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1. What are some things that your school is doing to make your learning interesting or enjoyable?

Electives. It is important to have cool electives to keep students interested.

The teachers are always changing things up in class. They are teaching one subject in different ways to make sure that we all get it

Flex Block. I like that my school does flex block. It is a block in the morning for anyone to get help with their schoolwork or have more time on homework. I think that this helps many people that don't have time after school to work on their homework.

2. What are some things that your school could do differently to make your learning more interesting or enjoyable?

Wi-Fi. Get some better Internet - it is way too slow. It's very hard to get work done on my phone or my laptop when I can barely hold a connection on them.

More options. Instead of having one assignment, teachers should have a choice of around 4 so we can choose depending on where we are on our learning path.

Flex learning. I wish that we didn't have to sign up for flex learning because once I'm finished with my work I like to go to the art room, but now we have to go to one place and stay there.

3. Describe a class/school experience when you felt good about your learning

I have felt particularly good about my learning when I received positive reinforcement from my teachers. It truly does boost your self-confidence when teachers make you feel proud of your accomplishments. I think the more positivity we receive from teachers the better we will be.

P.E. Because you're not stuck at a desk and can move around and be active.

Passing a test or getting a good grade. Knowing that all the work you did paid off.

The Thoughtexchange Process

Thoughtexchange is a group discussion app for modern leaders who want to build relationships while making informed decisions. A simple process ensures everyone is heard, everyone learns and important ideas emerge. Thoughtexchange can be used to engage groups of 5-50,000 people and patent pending data analysis provide deep insights so customers can take actions that have buy-in.

The diagram below shows the three steps of the Thoughtexchange process.



Participants share answers to open ended questions



Participants consider ideas from others and add stars to the ones they like best



Everyone discovers what is important to the group

Participation

1,240

PARTICIPANTS

2,999

THOUGHTS
CONTRIBUTED

62,893

STARS
ASSIGNED

Questions

- Q1.** What are some things that your school is doing to make your learning interesting or enjoyable?
- Q2.** What are some things that your school could do differently to make your learning more interesting or enjoyable?
- Q3.** Describe a class/school experience when you felt good about your learning.